



Risen Christ Lutheran Church  
Sunday Worship  
July 6, 2025 9:30am

**REMEMBER, YOU ARE IN GOD'S SANCTUARY. AS YOU ENTER HIS SANCTURARY, PLEASE SIT QUIETLY, PRAY, AND READ THROUGH THIS WORSHIP FOLDER TO PREPARE FOR WORSHIP**



*Bear one another's burdens,  
and so fulfill the law of Christ.*

Galatians 6:2

**ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION** – (2nd & 4th Sundays) We believe that the Lord’s Supper is not symbolic. We believe what Jesus Himself said: that His body and blood are truly present in this, His meal that He instituted for forgiveness and spiritual strength, that God desires our sincere confession, continuous seeking and giving forgiveness and, that being genuine in taking Communion so that we not harm ourselves by taking it in an unworthy manner. If you believe the above and you are a baptized believer who trusts in the death and resurrection of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, and you have examined yourself, you are welcome to commune with us. Please talk to the Pastor if you have any questions. The bread is offered before the “individual” and “common” cups of wine. (Note: White Grape Juice is in the center of the tray.)

**OFFERING** – Through the offerings of His faithful people, our Lord provides for the ongoing work of His Church. If you are a visitor, we are glad that you came to be served by the Lord this day. If you choose to contribute to the ongoing work of the Gospel, we give thanks that God has moved you to contribute toward the work of sharing the Gospel here in Plymouth and around the world through your here! You can also take advantage of Online Giving by visiting [www.RisenChrist.info](http://www.RisenChrist.info)

**A WORD TO OUR MEMBERS AND GUESTS** – Welcome and thank you for coming. Everyone please complete a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate. For Guests, Pastor will send you a welcome card and please indicate that you “desire” a call for any further contact.

**Large Print Bulletins** – Available from an usher.

**Listening Assistance Devices** – Available at the Sound Booth.

**Parent Room** – A row of seating and plenty of area for standing or walking is available in the Welcome Area/Lobby (“Narthex”)

**For Children** – Children’s Book Cart for Worship: Available in the Welcome Area.

**AS WE PREPARE FOR WORSHIP TODAY** – Most Americans know the first stanza of the national anthem of the United States of America. That first stanza of the “Star-Spangled Banner” is sung before sporting events, music concerts, and county fair festivities. We may not be as familiar, however, with the fourth stanza of this song:

O! thus be it ever when freemen shall stand,  
Between their loved home, and the war’s desolation,  
Blest with vict’ry and peace, may the heav’n-rescued land,  
Praise the power that hath made and preserved us a nation!  
Then conquer we must, when our cause it is just,  
And this be our motto—“In God is our trust”  
And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave,  
O’er the land of the free, and the home of the brave!

Francis Scott Key includes the words “In God is our trust.” As America celebrates its Independence Day, we recall similar words of the Psalms. “Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom He has chosen as His heritage!” (Psalm 33:12). “It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man” (Psalm 118:8). May our trust be in God for safety, salvation, and all things!

## America the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies  
For amber waves of grain  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain  
America America God shed His grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea

O beautiful for pilgrim feet  
Whose stern impassioned stress  
A thoroughfare for freedom beat  
Across the wilderness  
America America God mend thine every flaw  
Confirm thy soul in self control thy liberty in law

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife  
Who more than self their country loved  
And mercy more than life  
America America may God thy gold refine  
Till all success be nobleness and every gain divine

O beautiful for patriot dream  
That sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam  
Undimmed by human tears  
America America God shed His grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea

### Invocation and Opening Sentences

*Psalm 66:1–2, 5*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Shout for joy to God,

**C** **all the earth;**

**P** sing the glory of His name;

**C** **give to Him glorious praise!**

**P** Come and see what God has done:

**C** **He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.**

## **“King of Kings”**

1. In the darkness we were waiting  
Without hope without light  
Till from Heaven You came running  
There was mercy in Your eyes  
To fulfil the law and prophets  
To a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory... To a cradle in the dirt

***CHORUS: Praise the Father  
Praise the Son  
Praise the Spirit three in one  
God of Glory  
Majesty  
Praise forever to the King of kings***

2. To reveal the kingdom coming  
And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation  
You did not despise the cross  
For even in Your suffering  
You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation  
Jesus for our sake You died

3. And the morning that You rose  
All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good  
For the Lamb had conquered death  
And the dead rose from their tombs  
And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come  
To the Father are restored

4. And the Church of Christ was born  
Then the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this Gospel truth of old  
Shall not kneel shall not faint  
By His blood and in His Name  
In His freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ  
Who has resurrected me ***CHORUS***

## Confession and Absolution

*Galatians 6:8*

- P** For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption,  
**C** **but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.**
- P** Our own flesh is corrupt and doomed to die. We are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against God as we have sown seeds of hate, discord, covetousness, and pride. Confessing our sin, let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ.
- C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**
- P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Amen.**

## Salutation and Prayer of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** **And also with you.**  
**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God,

- C** **You have made us a new creation through water and the Word.**
- P** Grant that, motivated by Your great love for us, we would live lives of love and good works for our neighbor so that You are glorified;
- C** **through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 66:10–14*

- <sup>10</sup>Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her;  
rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her;  
<sup>11</sup>that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast;  
that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious abundance.”  
<sup>12</sup>For thus says the LORD: “Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river,  
and the glory of the nations like an overflowing stream;  
and you shall nurse, you shall be carried upon her hip, and bounced upon her knees.  
<sup>13</sup>As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.  
  
<sup>14</sup>You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bones shall flourish like the grass;  
and the hand of the LORD shall be known to his servants,  
and he shall show his indignation against his enemies.”

- L** This is the Word of the Lord.  
**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalm 66:1–7

- ℣ Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard,  
who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.
- ℣ *Shout for joy to God, all the earth;*
- ℣ *sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!*
- ℣ *Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds!  
So great is Your power that Your enemies come cringing to You.*
- ℣ All the earth worships You  
and sings praises to You;  
they sing praises to Your name."
- ℣ *Come and see what God has done:  
He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.*
- ℣ *He turned the sea into dry land;  
they passed through the river on foot.  
There did we rejoice in Him,*
- ℣ *who rules by His might forever,  
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—  
let not the rebellious exalt themselves.*
- ℣ Bless our God, O peoples; let the sound of His praise be heard,  
who has kept our soul among the living and has not let our feet slip.

## Epistle

*Galatians 6:1–10, 14–18*

- ℣ Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.
- ☑ **Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.**
- ℣ But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each will have to bear his own load.
- ☑ **One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches.**
- ℣ Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

**C** And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

**L** But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

**C** From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus.

**L** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life  $\mp$  everlasting. Amen.

## Verse

*Luke 10:5b, 9b*

**P** Alleluia. Peace be to this house!

**C** The kingdom of God has come near to you. Alleluia.

## Holy Gospel

*Luke 10:1-20*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the tenth chapter.

**C** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. <sup>2</sup>And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' <sup>6</sup>And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the laborer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. <sup>9</sup>Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not receive you, go into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet we wipe off against you. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near.' <sup>12</sup>I tell you, it will be more bearable on that day for Sodom than for that town.

<sup>13</sup>"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. <sup>14</sup>But it will be more bearable in the judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. <sup>15</sup>And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You shall be brought down to Hades.

<sup>16</sup>"The one who hears you hears me, and the one who rejects you rejects me, and the one who rejects me rejects him who sent me."

<sup>17</sup>The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!" <sup>18</sup>And he said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. <sup>19</sup>Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

## I Give You My Heart

This is my desire  
To honour You  
Lord with all my heart  
I worship You  
All I have within me  
I give You praise  
All that I adore is in You

***CHORUS: Lord I give You my heart  
I give You my soul  
I live for You alone  
Ev'ry breath that I take  
Ev'ry moment I'm awake  
Lord have Your way in me***

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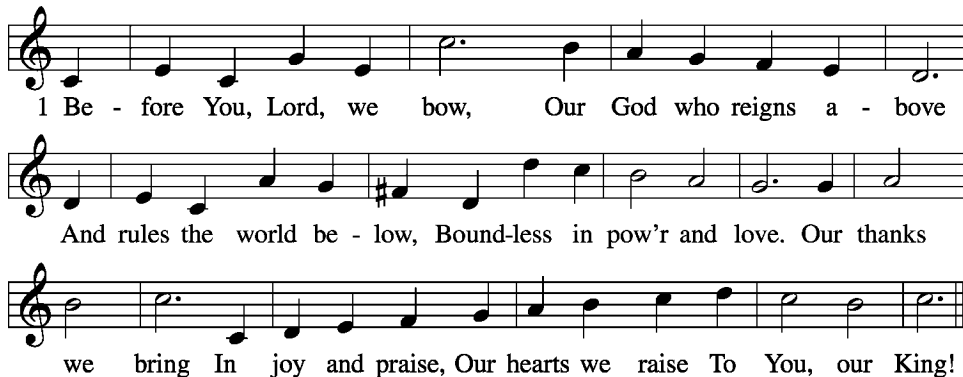
## Sermon "Bearing Each Other's Burdens"

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## Prayer of the Church

- A** As we pray for our nation and all nations of the world, we bow before our Lord in the name of Jesus, the Savior of the nations.

### Before You, Lord, We Bow



1 Be - fore You, Lord, we bow, Our God who reigns a - bove  
And rules the world be - low, Bound-less in pow'r and love. Our thanks  
we bring In joy and praise, Our hearts we raise To You, our King!

- P** As we come before You in prayer, we do so with thanksgiving. As Ruler of all, You provide for our needs of both body and spirit. In the name of the Savior of the nations,

**C** hear our prayer.

### Before You, Lord, We Bow

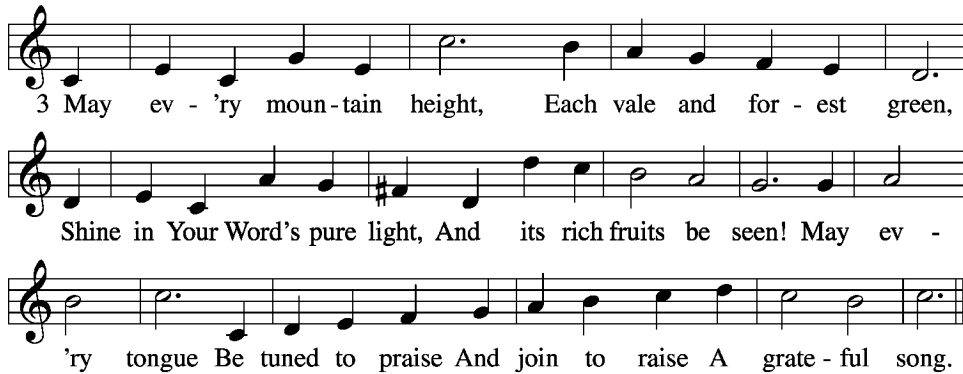


2 The na - tion You have blest May well Your love de - clare,  
From foes and fears at rest, Pro - tect - ed by Your care. For this  
bright day, For this fair land—Gifts of Your hand—Our thanks we pay.

- P** Protect our land with Your almighty arm. Defend and watch over the men and women who serve in the armed forces of our land. In the name of the Savior of the nations,

**C** hear our prayer.

## Before You, Lord, We Bow

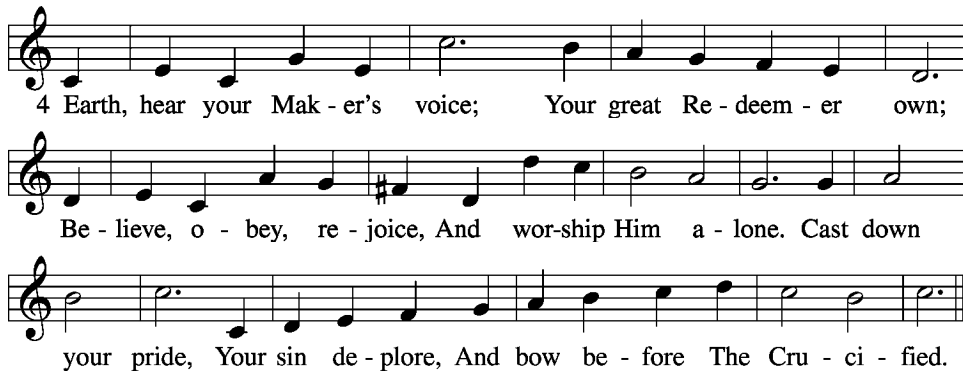


3 May ev - 'ry moun-tain height, Each vale and for - est green,  
Shine in Your Word's pure light, And its rich fruits be seen! May ev -  
'ry tongue Be tuned to praise And join to raise A grate - ful song.

**P** Work through Your Church that the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ may go forth in our land. Grant that the light of Christ shines bright in our nation through us. In the name of the Savior of the nations,

**C** hear our prayer.

## Before You, Lord, We Bow



4 Earth, hear your Mak - er's voice; Your great Re - deem - er own;  
Be - lieve, o - bey, re - jice, And worship Him a - lone. Cast down  
your pride, Your sin de - plore, And bow be - fore The Cru - ci - fied.

**P** Bless the work of world missions so that Your name is proclaimed in all nations. Raise up new workers in Your harvest, for the harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. In the name of the Savior of the nations,

**C** hear our prayer.

## Before You, Lord, We Bow

5        And when in pow'r He comes,  
          Oh, may our native land  
          From all its rending tombs  
          Send forth a glorious band,  
A countless throng,  
          With joy to sing  
          To heav'n's high King  
Salvation's song!

**P** As we anticipate our Savior's return, give us a sense of urgency as we proclaim Christ. Through the power of Your Holy Spirit, make us always ready for Jesus' second advent in glory. In the name of the Savior of the nations,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** O Lord, into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy,

**C** Amen.

**P** Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:

## Lord's Prayer

**C** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## God Bless America

God bless America, land that I love,  
Stand beside her and guide her  
Through the night with a light from above.  
From the mountains, to the prairies,  
To the oceans white with foam,  
God bless America,  
My home sweet home.

## Forever

Give thanks to the Lord  
Our God and King  
His love endures forever  
For He is good He is above all things  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise

With a mighty hand  
And an outstretched arm  
His love endures forever  
For the life that's been reborn  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise

Sing praise sing praise

***CHORUS: Forever God is faithful  
Forever God is strong  
Forever God is with us  
Forever forever***

From the rising to the setting sun  
His love endures forever  
And by the grace of God  
We will carry on  
His love endures forever  
Sing praise sing praise

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## Benediction

*Luke 10:2*

- P** The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.
- C** **Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.**
- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

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