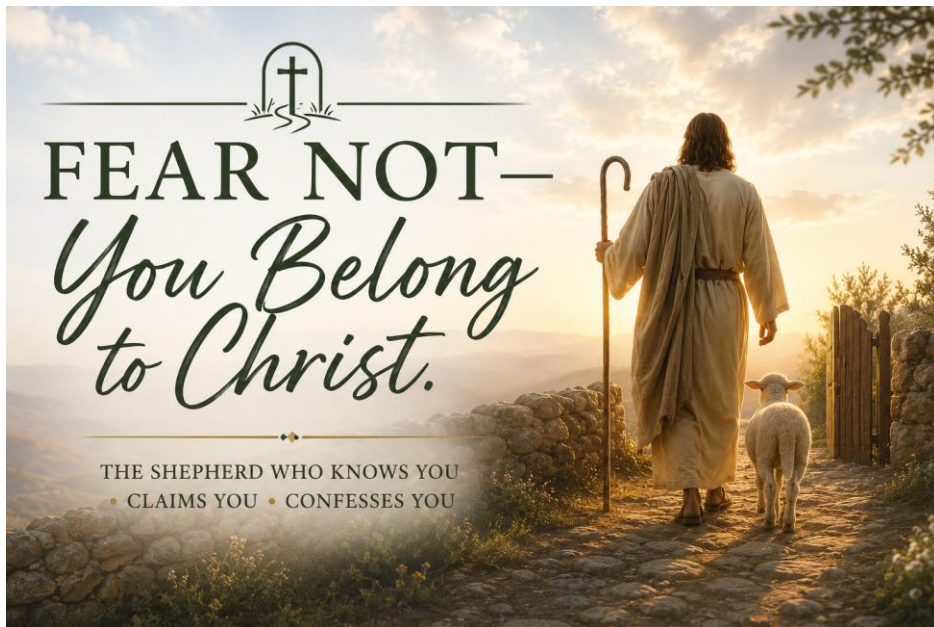




Risen Christ Lutheran Church
4th Sunday after Pentecost Worship
June 21, 2026 10am

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



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ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION – (2nd & 4th Sundays) We believe: that Christ’s body and blood are truly present for forgiveness and spiritual strength, that God desires our sincere confession, continuous seeking, and giving forgiveness, that being genuine in taking Communion so that we do not harm ourselves by taking it in an unworthy manner. If you believe the above, are a baptized believer who trusts in the death and resurrection of Jesus for the forgiveness of sins, and have examined yourself, you are welcome to commune with us. Please talk to Pastor Rennie if you have any questions. The bread is offered before the “individual” and “common” cups of wine. (Note: White Non-Alcoholic Wine 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! You can also take advantage of Online Giving by visiting www.RisenChrist.info

A WORD TO OUR GUESTS – Welcome and thank you for coming. Please complete a Worship Card and place it in the offering plate. Pastor will send you a welcome card. 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 Gather – Polls tell us that many of us live in fear and struggle with depression. Jesus calls us not to be afraid—not because we have no enemies but because He is stronger than them all. God knows the score—from every bird that falls from the sky to every hair on our head. He has invested His love and mercy in us in Christ and will not turn away from us. This promise is sure. Because of this, we can surrender our fears of being known as His children. Everyone who confesses Him on earth, Christ will confess him before His Father in heaven. From this promise comes the strength to live the new life given to us in our Baptism and to make known what Christ has done by His death and resurrection—for us and for all the world. We are called to judge not by the times but by the promises of God. Neither will He disappoint us nor will He forsake us.

Welcome and Announcements

Father’s Day Prayer and Blessing

Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

2. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

***CHORUS: Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!***

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Confession and Absolution

Psalm 25:7, 18

- P** Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to Your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of Your goodness, O LORD!
- C** Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.
- P** Holy and gracious God,
- C** I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ I ask forgiveness. Deliver according to Your mercy and grant peace to my heart so that I may serve You with all my mind, body, and soul.
- P** By the mercy of God we are redeemed by Jesus Christ, and in Him we are forgiven. 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.
- P** He who began this good work within you will bring it to completion on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you. **C** And also with you. Amen.

Introit

Psalm 56:3–4, 10–11; antiphon: v. 13

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,
that I may walk before God in the light of life.

When I am afraid,
I put my trust in you.

In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.
What can flesh do to me?

In God, whose word I praise,
in the LORD, whose word I praise,

in God I trust; I shall not be afraid.
What can man do to me?

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

For you have delivered my soul from death, yes, my feet from falling,
that I may walk before God in the light of life.

Goodness of God

1. I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

***CHORUS: All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God***

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2. I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God ***CHORUS***

BRIDGE: Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me ***CHORUS***

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 20:7–13

⁷O LORD, you have deceived me, and I was deceived;
you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed.
I have become a laughingstock all the day; everyone mocks me.
⁸For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!"
For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long.
⁹If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,"
there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in,
and I cannot.
¹⁰For I hear many whispering. Terror is on every side!
"Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" say all my close friends, watching for my fall.
"Perhaps he will be deceived; then we can overcome him and take our revenge on him."
¹¹But the LORD is with me as a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble;
they will not overcome me.
They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten.
¹²O LORD of hosts, who tests the righteous, who sees the heart and the mind,
let me see your vengeance upon them, for to you have I committed my cause.
¹³Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD!
For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hand of evildoers.

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

Psalm

Psalm 91:1–10; antiphon: v. 1

¹He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.
²I will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
³For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.
⁴He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge;

his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

⁵You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day,

⁶nor the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor the destruction that wastes at noonday.

⁷A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you.

⁸You will only look with your eyes and see the recompense of the wicked.

⁹Because you have made the LORD your dwelling place— the Most High, who is my refuge

¹⁰no evil shall be allowed to befall you, no plague come near your tent.

Epistle

Romans 6:12–23

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, ¹⁸and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death.

²²But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Verse

Matthew 10:32

P Alleluia. Everyone who acknowledges Me before men,

C **I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven. Alleluia.**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 10:5a, 21–33

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

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

⁵These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, . . .

²¹“Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, ²²and you will be hated by all for my name’s sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ²³When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next, for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

²⁴“A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

²⁶“So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

He Knows My Name

1. I have a Maker
He formed my heart
Before even time began
My life was in His hand

2. I have a Father
He calls me His own
He'll never leave me
No matter where I go

***CHORUS: He knows my name
He knows my every thought
He sees each tear that falls
And hears me when I call***

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Sermon – “Fear Not – You Belong to Christ” *based on today's readings.*

1. Fear entered the world through sin. *"I heard Your voice...and I was afraid."* (Genesis 3:10)
2. God's servants often stand alone. *Jeremiah's courage came not from himself, but from the faithfulness of God.*
3. Your heavenly Father knows and cares for you. *Not even a sparrow falls apart from His care... and you are worth far more than many sparrows.*
4. In Holy Baptism, Christ claimed you as His own. *You have been brought from death to life and now belong to a new Master.*
5. Christ will never forsake those who belong to Him. *He forgives fearful sinners today and will one day confess His people before the Father.*

Take Home Truth – Fear not. You belong to Christ.

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 everlasting. Amen.

Offering – ONLINE GIVING available at www.RisenChrist.info – Whether you are a visitor or a member, please turn in a **Worship Card** so we may know whom the Lord has served with His Word.

Prayer of the Church

- P** Lord of all power and might, deliver Your people from their fears and grant us a clean heart that we may plead our cause before You in confidence of Your mercy.
- Lord God, unloose the tongues of Your people that we boldly confess Christ here on earth and be confessed by Him before the Father in heaven. Prosper the work of Your church and defend her against every evil threat. Lord, in Your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, keep those whom You have redeemed from falling back into the paths of sin and evil, and raise us up to serve You in holiness and righteousness all our days. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, prevent the freedom purchased for us by the suffering and death of Christ from excusing our cause to serve You as the people of Your promise, doing the good Your Word requires, and avoiding the evil You forbid. Lord, in Your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, grant freedom from fear and sorrow to the sick and those who suffer, that trusting in Your mercy, they may know Your healing power and strength and be kept by Your power to everlasting life. [Hear us especially for ...] Lord, in Your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord, God of power and might, bring an end to the warring of the nations and the violence that makes anxious the hearts of all. Provide for good, wise, and careful leaders who will honor the trust placed in them and allow us to live holy, upright, and peaceful lives. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, send Your love into the homes of Your people that they be places of forgiveness and love. Enable all husbands and wives to fulfill the holy vows in which they were united as one, and bless the children given to their care. Lord, in Your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, You well supply us with the fruits of the harvest and the bounty of this good earth. Give us generous hearts that we may well-supply the poor and bring into Your storehouse the tithes and offerings of a grateful heart. Lord, in Your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord God, You order our days in Your peace and sustain us to the day when all things shall have their perfect fulfillment. We give You thanks for the faithful who have died and now live in Your nearer presence. Bring us at last with them into everlasting life, and wipe away the tears of those who mourn. Lord, in Your mercy, **C hear our prayer.**
- P** All these things, O Lord, and whatever else we need, we trust to Your gracious provision, begging Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **C Amen.**

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.**

The Blessing

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace

CHORUS:

Amen

Amen

Amen

1st Bridge

May his favor
Be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
And your children
And their children
And their children

2nd Bridge

May his presence
Go before you
And behind you
And beside you
All around you
And within you
He is with you
He is with you

3rd Bridge

In the morning
In the evening
In your coming
And your going
In your weeping
And rejoicing
He is for you
He is for you

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Benediction

- 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 ✠ give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

**PLEASE REMAIN FOR A 5 MINUTE CONGREGATION MEETING TO VOTE TO UPDATE
OUR CONGREGATION NAME WITH STATE RECORDS**

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