

# Risen Christ Lutheran Church

## 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost - August 30, 2020

**ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 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, 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 if you have any questions. The bread is offered before the "individual" cups of wine. (Note: White wine and diluted red wine are 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! **OFFERING PLATES** will be available as after the Benediction, as you depart.

**About the Offering** For those who are unable to attend our services in person, we miss you and look forward to the time we can worship with you, again! Remember, too, the church does still have bills to pay and still needs the support of our members. You can send your offering to the church thru the mail or you can set up a automate deposit using the website link: <https://www.risenchrist.info/giving/>

May God who hears our prayers, knows are needs, be with you all, and give you peace and comfort.

**Regarding Bulletins: PDF and Word Doc versions of Bulletins** are available for you to print out at home prior to you coming to church (or for use as you participate in our Online Services). **NOTE:** For those of you who are comfortable with picking up bulletins here, we have some available already printed out here.

**Extra Large Print Bulletins** - Available from an usher.

**REMINDER:** The whole service is also projected onto the chancel walls.

**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.

**Children's Book Cart for Worship:** Available in the Welcome Area.

**As We Gather** – Jesus invites anyone who would come after Him to deny themselves, take up their cross, and follow Him. This invitation is at once as simple as justification by grace alone through faith alone for Christ's sake alone and as all-of-life-encompassing as is comprehended in that theological declaration. The life of following Jesus includes genuine love and service both to the Lord and to other people—even when those people may be considered enemies. As the prophet Jeremiah discovered, God's message to His human creatures may be an unpopular one, yet Jesus promises that anyone who loses their life for His sake will find it.

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Invocation and Opening Sentences** *Psalm 26:8, 12; Jeremiah 15:16*

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

**G** Amen.

**P** O Lord, I love the habitation of Your house

**G** and the place where Your glory dwells.

**P** My foot stands on level ground;

**G** in the great assembly I will bless the Lord.

**P** Your words were found, and I ate them,

**G** and Your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart,

**P** for I am called by Your name,

**G** O Lord, God of hosts.

**Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of Thy redeeming love

Here I raise mine Ebenezer  
Hither by Thy help I'm come  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wand'ring from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger  
Interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let Thy grace Lord like a fetter  
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee  
Prone to wander Lord I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart Lord take and seal it  
Seal it for Thy courts above

## Confession and Absolution

**P** Father of mercy and grace,

**C** **Even though I deserve nothing but death because of my sins, I ask You not to sweep my soul away with sinners, nor my life with bloodthirsty men, in whose hands are evil devices, and whose right hands are full of bribes. Your steadfast love in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus is displayed before my eyes. Lord, I believe, and I ask that You would forgive me for Christ's sake, granting me the help of Your Spirit, for I desire to walk in Your faithfulness.**

**P** "Thus says the Lord: 'If you return, I will restore you, and you shall stand before Me.'" Therefore, in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Jeremiah 15:19*

**C** **Amen.**

### **Your Love O Lord**

Your love O Lord  
Reaches to the heavens  
Your faithfulness  
Stretches to the sky  
Your righteousness  
Is like the mighty mountains  
Your justice flows  
Like the ocean's tide

***CHORUS: I will lift my voice  
To worship You my King  
I will find my strength  
In the shadow of Your wings***

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## Salutation and Prayer of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Almighty God, Your Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption. Grant us courage to take up our cross daily and follow Him wherever He leads; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

## Psalm 26

<sup>1</sup>Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my integrity,  
and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

**<sup>2</sup>Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind.**

<sup>3</sup>For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness.

**<sup>4</sup>I do not sit with men of falsehood, nor do I consort with hypocrites.**

<sup>5</sup>I hate the assembly of evildoers, and I will not sit with the wicked.

**<sup>6</sup>I wash my hands in innocence and go around your altar, O LORD,**

<sup>7</sup>proclaiming thanksgiving aloud, and telling all your wondrous deeds.

**<sup>8</sup>O LORD, I love the habitation of your house and the place where your glory dwells.**

<sup>9</sup>Do not sweep my soul away with sinners, nor my life with bloodthirsty men,

**<sup>10</sup>in whose hands are evil devices, and whose right hands are full of bribes.**

<sup>11</sup>But as for me, I shall walk in my integrity; redeem me, and be gracious to me.

**<sup>12</sup>My foot stands on level ground; in the great assembly I will bless the LORD.**

## Epistle

*Romans 12:9–21*

<sup>9</sup>Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup>Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. <sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be conceited. <sup>17</sup>Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. <sup>18</sup>If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

<sup>19</sup>Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." <sup>20</sup>To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." <sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**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 † everlasting. Amen.**

**Take My Life and Let It Be**



1 Take my life and let it be Con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to Thee;  
2 Take my hands and let them move At the im - pulse of Thy love;  
3 Take my voice and let me sing Al-ways, on - ly for my King;  
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, Not a mite would I with - hold;



Take my mo - ments and my days, Let them flow in cease - less praise.  
Take my feet and let them be Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.  
Take my lips and let them be Filled with mes - sag - es from Thee.  
Take my in - tel - lect and use Ev - 'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it Thine,  
It shall be no longer mine;  
Take my heart, it is Thine own,  
It shall be Thy royal throne.

6 Take my love, my Lord, I pour  
At Thy feet its treasure store;  
Take myself, and I will be  
Ever, only, all for Thee.

**Holy Gospel**

*Matthew 16:21–28*

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

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

<sup>21</sup>From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.  
<sup>22</sup>And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "Far be it from you, Lord! This shall never happen to you."  
<sup>23</sup>But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me. For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."  
<sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.  
<sup>25</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.  
<sup>26</sup>For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life?  
<sup>27</sup>For the Son of Man is going to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay each person according to what he has done.  
<sup>28</sup>Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

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

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

**Lead Me to The Cross**

Saviour I come quiet my soul  
Remember redemption's hill  
Where Your blood was spilled  
For my ransom  
Ev'rything I once held dear  
I count it all as loss

***CHORUS: Lead me to the cross  
Where Your love poured out  
Bring me to my knees  
Lord I lay me down  
Rid me of myself  
I belong to You  
Oh lead me lead me to the cross***

You were as I tempted and tried human  
The word became flesh  
Bore my sin and death  
Now You're risen ***CHORUS***

***Bridge***

To Your heart  
To Your heart  
Lead me to Your heart  
Lead me to Your heart ***CHORUS***

**Prayer of the Church**

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Servant of All, You invite all who would come after You to deny themselves, take up their cross, and follow You. Grant that we who have been called by Your name in Holy Baptism would willingly follow where You lead no matter what the cost. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**MEN** – Crucified Christ, the preaching of Your cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but for we who are being saved, it is the power of God. Be in the hearts and mouths of all who speak Your Word to others, that people who do not yet follow You would be led to find in You the forgiveness of sins and the certain hope of life forever in Your kingdom. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**WOMEN** – Lord of Lords, the leaders of the nations are encompassed by many troubles. Grant wisdom to those whose callings and vocations are in the realm of civil authority that they may be moved to carry out Your will for the good of those under their protection and care. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**MEN** – Suffering Savior, with the sick, the injured, the suffering, the dying, as well as with those who care for them, we implore Your abiding presence. Grant them faith in the promises of Your Word that their sufferings are not in vain, but may prove a path to greater intimacy with You who suffered for us all. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**WOMEN** – King of Kings, with saints and angels, we bless Your holy name. Keep us in the faith throughout life's journey and on the Last Day, grant us entrance with all who follow Jesus into Your dominion that has no end, to Your kingdom that will never pass away. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who taught us to pray:

**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.**

### **Your Name**

As morning dawns and evening fades  
You inspire songs of praise  
That rise from earth to touch Your heart  
And glorify Your Name

**CHORUS: Your Name is a strong and mighty tower  
Your Name is a shelter like no other  
Your Name let the nations sing it louder  
'Cause nothing has the power to save  
But Your Name**

Jesus in Your Name we pray  
Come and fill our hearts today  
Lord give us strength to live for You  
And glorify Your Name

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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  $\text{✠}$  give you peace.
- C** **Amen.**

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