

# Lenten Midweek Worship

## March 16, 2022

### Resurrection Lutheran Church

#### *Opening*

Behold, now is the acceptable time;  
**now is the day of salvation.**  
Turn us again, O God of our salvation,  
**that the light of your face may shine on us.**  
May your justice shine like the sun;  
**and may the poor be lifted up.**

#### *Psalm* 105:1-15, 42

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD and call upon God's name;  
make known the deeds of the LORD among the peoples.  
<sup>2</sup>Sing to the LORD, sing praises,  
and speak of all God's marvelous works.  
<sup>3</sup>Glory in God's holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.  
<sup>4</sup>Search for the strength of the LORD;  
continually seek God's face.  
<sup>5</sup>Remember the marvels God has done,  
the wonders and the judgments of God's mouth,  
<sup>6</sup>O offspring of Abraham, God's servant,  
O children of Jacob, God's chosen ones.  
<sup>7</sup>The LORD is our God,  
whose judgments prevail in all the world,  
<sup>8</sup>who has always been mindful of the covenant,  
the promise made for a thousand generations:  
<sup>9</sup>the covenant made with Abraham,  
the oath sworn to Isaac,  
<sup>10</sup>which God established as a statute for Jacob,  
an everlasting covenant for Israel,  
<sup>11</sup>saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan  
to be your allotted inheritance."  
<sup>12</sup>When they were few in number,  
of little account, and sojourners in the land,

<sup>13</sup>wandering from nation to nation  
and from one kingdom to another,  
<sup>14</sup>God let no one oppress them  
and rebuked kings for their sake,  
<sup>15</sup>saying, “Do not touch my anointed ones  
and do my prophets no harm.”  
<sup>42</sup>For you remembered your holy word  
and Abraham your servant.

### ***Reading*** + Luke 13:22-31

<sup>22</sup>Jesus went through one town and village after another, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. <sup>23</sup>Someone asked him, “Lord, will only a few be saved?” He said to them, <sup>24</sup>“Strive to enter through the narrow door; for many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able. <sup>25</sup>When once the owner of the house has got up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and to knock at the door, saying, ‘Lord, open to us,’ then in reply he will say to you, ‘I do not know where you come from.’ <sup>26</sup>Then you will begin to say, ‘We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.’ <sup>27</sup>But he will say, ‘I do not know where you come from; go away from me, all you evildoers!’ <sup>28</sup>There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrown out. <sup>29</sup>Then people will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God. <sup>30</sup>Indeed, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.” <sup>31</sup>At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, “Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.”

Word of God, word of life. **Thanks be to God.**

### ***Comments on the Reading***

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets,  
**but in these last days God has spoken to us by the Son.**

***Hymn:*** “In Christ there is no east or west” (ELW 650)

## In Christ There Is No East or West

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,  
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com - mu - nion find;  
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.  
4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;

but one com - mu - ni - ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.  
his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man - kind.  
All chil - dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.  
all Christ - ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

The musical score consists of two systems. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. The first system contains the first four lines of lyrics, and the second system contains the remaining four lines. The music is written in a key with one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.  
Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

## *Prayers*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our holy assemblies, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the health of the creation, for abundant harvests that all may share, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For public servants, the government, and those who protect us; for those who work to bring peace, justice, healing, and protection in this and every place, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who travel, for those who are sick and suffering, and for those who are in captivity, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance in the time of affliction, wrath, danger, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all servants of the church, for this assembly, and for all people who await from the Lord great and abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*Other petitions may be added.*

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

*A time of silence follows.*

Giving thanks for all who have gone before us and are at rest, rejoicing in the communion of all the saints, we commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to you, through Christ our Lord.

**To you, O Lord.**

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected us today. We ask you to forgive us all our sins, where we have done wrong, and graciously to protect us tonight. Into your hands we commend ourselves: our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us.

**Amen.**

### *Lord's Prayer*

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

### *Blessing*

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Almighty God, the Father, ✠ the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.  
**Amen.**