

PRELUDE

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Most merciful god, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \pm Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN #324: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

GREETING

- **P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.



HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

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

O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

FIRST READING: Exodus 32:7-14

While Moses is on Mount Sinai, the people grow restless and make a golden calf to worship. Today's reading shows Moses as the mediator between an angry God and a sinful people. Moses reminds God that the Israelites are God's own people, and boldly asks for mercy for them.

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The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

PSALM 66



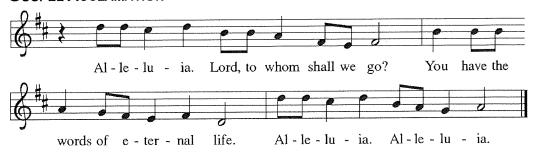
SECOND READING: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

The letters to Timothy and Titus are called the pastoral epistles because they contain advice especially intended for leaders in the church. Here the mercy shown to Paul, who once persecuted the church, is cited as evidence that even the most unworthy may become witnesses to the grace of God.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



The holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 15th chapter.



GOSPEL: Luke 15:1-10

Jesus tells two stories that suggest a curious connection between the lost being found and sinners repenting. God takes the initiative to find sinners, each of whom is so precious to God that their recovery brings joy in heaven.

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P The gospel of the Lord.



NEW MEMBER WELCOME

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY #803: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

SHARING OF THE PEACE

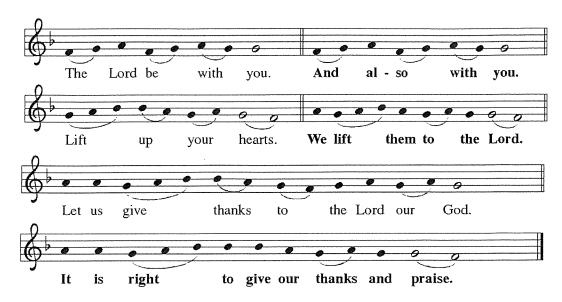
OFFERING

OFFERTORY HYMN #596: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

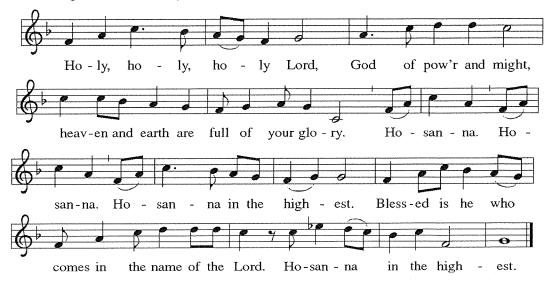
OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you, O God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts: our selves, our time, and our possessions. Use us, and what we have gathered, in feeding the world with your love, through the one who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



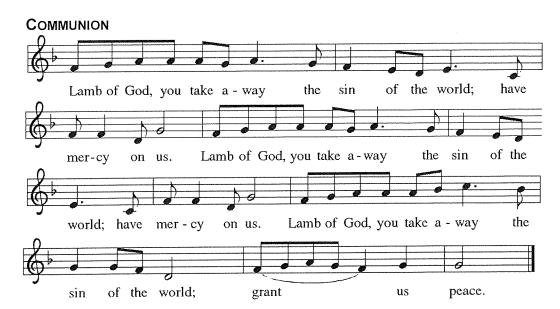
P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise......we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.



After all have communed:

P Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN #543: "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"

- P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

WELCOME TO RESURRECTION!

New Members: Today we welcome four new members to our church family: Deloris Bixler, Pat Henry, Wayne and Laurie Schleicher. We hope you will take an opportunity to introduce yourself and make them feel welcome.

Children's Chapel: Our Children's Chapel meets during the 10:00 a.m. service utilizing StoryMakers NYC zines. We read the story and retell it by playing all the parts, putting ourselves in the narrative and responding with creativity through art! We finish with prayer and a snack and head back to church just in time for communion. Please encourage and invite your friends or family with kids to join us.

Note from Pastor Pike: We want to remind you to be cautious when opening emails - the church will never ask for any money or gift cards over email or text. We will only communicate in person for any needs we have. If you have been victimized by a spam message, please go to: reportfraud.ftc.gov

Choir is Back! The 2025/26 choir season has begun! If you are interested in singing in the choir, we would love to have you! Choir meets every Thursday at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Monday Morning Bible Study: Bible study meets each Monday at 10:00 a.m. in T. Hall.

Adult Forum: Continuing this Wednesday, the Adult Forum will consider antisemitism, its scope and its origins, particularly as they arose in Christianity. We meet at 4:30 in T. Hall.

Men's Breakfast: Join the men's group on the third Thursday of the month at 9:00 at Woody's Diner (Brookhurst and Adams). Our next get-together will be this Thursday, September 18.

Meeting - Youth Japan Mission Tour 2026: For those who are interested in participating in the tour June 24 - July 8, 2026, you must attend our first meeting next Sunday, September 21, after the 10 a.m. service. For additional details, please see last week's email. Contact Fumi at fumiliang@gmail.com if you are interested in this mission trip.

Oktoberfest: Enjoy live music, games and prizes on Sunday, September 28, at 5:00 p.m. Bring Oktoberfest beer for the tasting contest! \$10 admission; enjoy authentic Bavarian food and beverages and wear your Oktoberfest attire!

Blessing of the Pets: Bring your pet to be blessed by Pastor Pike and Pastor Kim on Saturday, October 11, from 10:00 – 11:00. There will be treats to enjoy for both pets and owners!

Fall Fest and Chili Cook-off: Save the date of October 26 from 3-6 p.m. for trunk-or-treat, games and chili! If you would like to decorate a trunk or make chili, please sign up between services today.

Middle School Youth Gathering: Middle Schoolers (grades 6-9), we are going to have a blast at Knott's Berry Farm this year November 14-16! High Schoolers (grades 10-12) can attend as leaders with the leadership track! Registration is open and I would love to get a group together. Contact Michelle for more information.

Attention! We are looking for volunteers for the craft fair on October 4. There will be a sign-up table after each service, or you may sign up online. There are many ways you can volunteer! Robyne's Nest is the recipient of the funds that Resurrection raises.

Mission Endowment Fund: Resurrection is looking for your feedback as MEF embarks on a journey of best practices regarding endowment and planned giving. Please pick up a form from the narthex or click on this QR code.

Cursillo Dates: If you are interested in attending an upcoming Cursillo weekend, please speak with Pastor Pike, Pastor Brad or Vicki Kane, or contact the church office. Men's Weekend: September 25-28; Women's Weekend: October 2-5.

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Ice Chests Needed: The craft fair committee is looking to borrow two ice chests – if you have one that they can use 10/3 and 10/4, please contact Dawn Bennett or the church office.