

Welcome to Church of the Resurrection

Welcome to the Sunday service at Church of the Resurrection. Whether you are here to investigate the Christian faith for the first time, or have been following Christ for years, we hope that this service will encourage you in your faith.

As we continue to care for one another during this time, masks are required for all participants over age 5 at the 9:00am service and optional at the 11:00am for those who are fully vaccinated. Unvaccinated people are expected to remain masked and maintain social distance. Masks are optional for everyone outdoors while remaining conscious of social distance. All are welcome to gather outside, on the loggia, under the tent, or on the playground for fellowship after the service.

If you would like to learn more about Resurrection, or if we can serve you in anyway, please speak with an usher, worship leader, visit our website at resbalt.org, or call the church office at 410-560-0456.

Prelude

Welcome and Preparation for Worship

Opening Hymn - "Faith of Our Fathers"

(please stand)

Faith of our fathers! Living still in spite of the dungeon, fire, and sword. O how our hearts beat high with joy, whenever we hear that glorious word.

Refrain:

Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! Faith and prayer shall win all nations unto thee.

And through the truth that comes from God, mankind shall then indeed be free. (Refrain)

Faith of our fathers! We will love both friend and foe in our all strife.

And preach thee, too, as love know how by kindly deeds and virtuous life. (Refrain)

Call to Worship

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth His praise, to hear His holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship Him, let us sit or kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by His infinite goodness and mercy.

Confession of Sin (please sit or kneel)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that 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. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen**.

Collect of the Day

(please stand)

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

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us grace, by the confession of faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and by your power, we worship You. Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

Song of Praise

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed trinity! **ResKids Video** (please be seated)

First Reading - 1 John 5:1-12

¹ Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is born of God, and everyone who loves the father loves his child as well. ² This is how we know that we love the children of God: by loving God and carrying out his commands. ³ This is love for God: to obey his commands. And his commands are not burdensome, ⁴ for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. ⁵ Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God. ⁶ This is the one who came by water and blood--Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. ⁷ For there are three that testify: ⁸ the Spirit, the water and the blood; and the three are in agreement. ⁹ We accept man's testimony, but God's testimony is greater because it is the testimony of God, which he has given about his Son. Anyone who believes in the Son of God has this testimony in his heart. ¹⁰ Anyone who does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because he has not believed the testimony God has given about his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Second Reading - John 7:16-18

¹⁶ So Jesus answered them, "My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me. ¹⁷ If anyone's will is to do God's will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority. ¹⁸ The one who speaks on his own authority seeks his own glory; but the one who seeks the glory of him who sent him is true, and in him there is no falsehood.

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Sermon - The Rev. David Drake

Sermon Notes:

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Baptismal Charge

Dearly beloved, Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God," and He commissioned the Church to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Therefore we will ask our heavenly Father that these children, being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received as living members of Christ's holy Church. The candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents:

We present Nathan Peter Larche to receive the Sacrament of Baptism. We present Zachary Robert Philpot to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Today, on behalf of these children, you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve Him faithfully. It is your task to see that these children are taught, as soon as they are able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. They must come to put their trust in Jesus, and grow in Him through the Holy Scriptures, prayer, fellowship with other believers, and all other things that a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of their soul. When they have embraced all these, having become disciples of Jesus, they are to come to the Bishop to be confirmed, that they may claim the Faith for their own and be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and His Kingdom. Are you willing and ready to undertake this?

Parents and Godparents: I am, the Lord being my helper.

Do you renounce the devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God? I renounce them.

Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God? **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God? I renounce them.

Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light and obedience of the kingdom of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior? I do.

Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments? **I do.**

Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days of your life? I will, the Lord being my helper.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ? *People*: **We will.**

Baptismal Covenant

(please stand)

Let us also proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed. Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People: I do. I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ? I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit? I do. 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 for the Candidates

(please sit or kneel)

Let us now pray for Nathan and Zachary, who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism. Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Open their hearts to Your grace and truth. Lord, hear our prayer.

Fill them with Your Holy and life-giving Spirit. Lord, hear our prayer.

Teach them to love others in the power of the Holy Spirit. Lord, hear our prayer.

Send them into the world in witness to Your love. Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring them to the fullness of Your peace and glory. Lord, hear our prayer.

Additional prayers will be offered.

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ Your Son may live in the power of His resurrection and look for Him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**.

Prayer in Song

"Spirit of the Living God"

(please be seated)

Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on us. Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on us. Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us, Spirit of the living God, fall fresh on us.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Let us pray. We thank You, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it You led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it Your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through His death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. Please set apart this water to be for us a sign of Your washing, rebirth and renewal that comes through faith in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Baptism

Nathan/Zachary, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**.

Nathan/Zachary, may you be sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen**.

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank You for Nathan and Zachary who have been baptized today. We ask that You would sustain them, O Lord, by Your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the desire to ask, seek, and knock, the courage to do Your will, the desire to know and love You, and the gift of joy and wonder in all Your works. **Amen**.

Lighting of the Candle and Presentation of Bible

Welcome the Newly Baptized

(please stand)

Let us welcome the newly baptized. We receive you into the fellowship of the Church. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim His resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of all His people.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

(please be seated)

Offertory

Domine deus – JS Bach

Matt Hill, Tenor Amy Broadbent, Soprano

Lord God, King of Heaven, God the Father Almighty. Lord only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.

Doxology (please stand)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

O praise Him, O praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen.

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

On the night He was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when He had given thanks to You, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper He took the cup of wine; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

(please sit or kneel)

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer You these gifts. Sanctify them by Your Holy Spirit to be for Your people the Body and Blood of Your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life we have through faith in Him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve You in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through Your Son Jesus Christ: By Him, and with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen**.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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 Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

While some of us are receiving communion today, many of our congregation are still unable to do so. Therefore, let us pray together: Now, in union, O Lord with faithful believers at every altar of Your Church, where Holy Communion is celebrated, I desire to offer my praise and thanksgiving too. I present to You my soul and body with the earnest prayer that I will remain united to you. And since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I pray that you would come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing separate me from you, that I may live and die in the assurance of Your love. Amen.

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

(please be seated)

All those in the sanctuary who have received Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to partake in Communion, regardless of denominational affiliation. People will be invited to come forward as directed by an usher. Glutenfree wafers and grape juice are available, please ask at the altar rail.

Those participating online who picked up pre-consecrated communion elements from the church are invited to partake at this time. Online participants are invited to continue in worship during the communion music.

Communion Music

"Glorify Thy Name"

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You.

Refrain: Glorify thy name is all the earth.

Glorify thy name, Glorify thy name, Glorify thy name in all the earth

Jesus, we love You, we worship and adore You. (Refrain)

Father, we love You, we worship and adore You. (Refrain)

"How Great is Our God"

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice

Chorus:

How great is our God, sing with me, how great is our God And all will see how great, how great is our God

And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End The Godhead three in one, Father Spirit Son The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb

Name above all names, worthy of all praise My heart will sing how great is our God

"In Christ Alone"

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light my strength my song This Cornerstone this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm What heights of love what depths of peace, when fears are stilled when strivings cease My Comforter my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied For every sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain Then bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He rose again And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death, this is the power of Christ in me From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny No power of hell no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand Till He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Post Communion Prayer

(please stand)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, You have graciously accepted us as living members of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and You have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve You with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Closing Hymn - "Eternal Father, Strong to Save"

Eternal Father, strong to save, whose arm does bind the restless wave, Who bids the mighty ocean deep its own appointed limits keep; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

O Christ, whose voice the waters heard and hushed their raging at they word, Who walked on the foaming deep, and calm amid its rage did sleep; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

Most Holy Spirit, who didst brood upon the chaos dark and rude, And bid its angry tumult cease, and give for wild confusion peace; O hear us when we cry to Thee for those in peril on the sea.

Dismissal

Alleluia, Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude

All are welcome to meet outside or on the playground for fellowship after the service.

Dear Resurrection Family and Friends,

I am happy to announce that we have hired McKenzie Waldhauser as our new Director of Administration and Volunteer Leadership Development! McKenzie has a strong relationship with Resurrection, having attended here as a teenager and through her mom, Pam Waldhauser, our Director of Pastoral Care and Connections. She is really excited about the opportunity to enter into ministry here at Resurrection.

McKenzie has been furthering her education in the last few years, earning a Master's Degree in Higher Education from Geneva College, and a Master's Degree in Theology from St. Mary's Seminary. She has also served in ministry over this time as Elementary Director for the Children's Ministry at Grace Fellowship Church from 2017 through 2019, Senior Program Coordinator at the Beatrice Institute, and received over 120 hours of training as a chaplain with the Greater Baltimore Medical Center.

McKenzie has been hired to assist in building up our volunteer teams and programming, and to provide high level administrative support to the staff. She's bright, energetic, engaging, loves the Lord, and is eager to begin this new journey to which God has called her. She assumes her new role on June 1st. Please be in prayer for McKenzie as she transitions back to Baltimore from Pennsylvania and leaves the world of higher education for full-time ministry – that God would give her passion, energy, wisdom, and joy to grow in her love and knowledge of Christ and in her new position on staff here at Res.

With sincere thanks,

~ Jesse Scharff, Senior Associate for Staff and Ministry Development

SAVE THE DATE

All-Parish Outdoor Service on Sunday, June 13 at 10:00am

One outdoor service on June 13! It will be a wonderful time of gathering all together to worship the Lord. Communion will be served. Bring your own chair or blanket.

GIVING UPDATE

Month of April 2021

Income: \$94,426 | Expense: \$99,864 Balance: \$5,438 deficit

July 1 through April 30, 2021

Income: \$877,977 | Expense: \$960,121 Balance: \$82,143 deficit

