

# RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

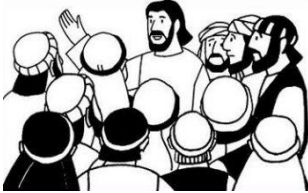
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If anyone loves me, he will keep my word,  
and my Father will love him, and we will  
come to him and make our home with him.

*John 14:23*



## Welcome to Resurrection

Please stay for a cup of tea after the service. Fill in a consent form in the reception and we will keep you informed about our services and activities

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3 May 2026

## Fifth Sunday of Easter

### ORDER OF SERVICE

Divine Service – Setting I, Lutheran Service Book, page 151

### The Bible Readings

Psalm.....	146
First Reading.....	Acts 6:1–9; 7:2a, 51–60
Epistle.....	1 Peter 2:2–10
Holy Gospel.....	John 14:1–14

### The Hymns

912 – Christ is our cornerstone

646 – Church of God, elect and glorious

During Communion | 633 – At the Lamb's high feast we sing

722 – Lord, take my hand and lead me



## Holy Communion

This congregation believes, confesses and teaches that in Holy Communion our Lord really offers the body and blood He gave for us when He died for our salvation. Confirmed Lutherans who share this confession are encouraged to come to the Lord's Table. Others, please speak with pastor.

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### Acts 6:1–9; 7:2a, 51–60

Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup> And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. <sup>3</sup> Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. <sup>4</sup> But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." <sup>5</sup> And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. <sup>6</sup> These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them. <sup>7</sup> And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith. <sup>8</sup> And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. <sup>9</sup> Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen. <sup>7:2a</sup> And Stephen said: Brothers and fathers, hear me. <sup>51</sup> "You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. <sup>52</sup> Which of the prophets did not your fathers persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, <sup>53</sup> you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it." <sup>54</sup> Now when they heard these things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. <sup>55</sup> But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup> And he said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." <sup>57</sup> But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. <sup>58</sup> Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup> And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." <sup>60</sup> And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

## **1 Peter 2:2-10**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation- <sup>3</sup> if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. <sup>4</sup> As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, <sup>5</sup> you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. <sup>6</sup> For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." <sup>7</sup> So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone," <sup>8</sup> and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. <sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. <sup>10</sup> Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

## **John 14:1-14**

Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup> In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. <sup>4</sup> And you know the way to where I am going." <sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. <sup>7</sup> If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." <sup>8</sup> Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us." <sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup> Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. <sup>11</sup> Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves. <sup>12</sup> "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. <sup>13</sup> Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. <sup>14</sup> If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

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## Church Calendar

9 May	LWLGB Convention via Zoom. Programme and link will be sent prior to the event
10 May	Sixth Sunday of Easter 10am – Bible study and Sunday school 11am – Divine Service with Holy Communion



## Our Monthly Schedule

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday</b>	11am – Divine Service with Holy Communion
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday</b>	10am – Bible study and Sunday school 11am – Divine Service with Holy Communion
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday</b>	11am – Lay Service led by our Elders
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b>	10am – Bible study and Sunday school 11am – Divine Service with Holy Communion
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday</b>	10am – Bible study and Sunday school 11am – Divine Service with Holy Communion



## Coming Soon

13-19 May	Pastor Jaime on leave
17 May	The Ascension of Our Lord. Lay Service led by Elders.
20 May	Resurrection's Church Council Meeting at 7pm
24 May	The Day of Pentecost
24 May	Resurrection's AGM after the Service
31 May	Holy Trinity Sunday
21 Jun	Father's Day
30 Jun-2Jul	Pastors Study Week at Westfield House TBC
12 Jul	Last Bible study before the summer break
17-18 Jul	Pastor Jaime at the Lutheran Mission in Cork, Ireland
20-24 Jul	Corpus Christi Conference in Finland
13 Sep	Bible study resumes
20-21 Oct	Barnes Conference at Good Shepherd TBC
1 Nov	All Saints Day
8 Nov	Remembrance Sunday



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