

Third Weekend In Lent

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5:00 PM



Resurrection Lutheran Church

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WORSHIP INFORMATION

Please silence your electronic devices during service.

"P" signifies the pastor, "L" signifies the leader, and "C" signifies the congregation.

For responsive readings, the congregation parts are in **bold**.

*** Indicates: "please stand (as you are comfortable)"**

INTRODUCTION

The "I AM" statements in the gospel of John are Jesus Christ's description of himself. For all that has been written, sung, and debated about the life and work of Christ, nothing allows us such a deep glimpse into the heart of our Savior as the "I AM" statements. These statements not only tell us who Jesus is, but they say something about his mission, his purpose, and his reason for taking on flesh. The phrase "I AM" in Jesus' statements is not used in the everyday sense, as in "I am hungry" or "I am tired." Instead, Jesus' statements are meant as absolutes. "I AM" means "I am, have been, and always will be." In these statements, Jesus claims his divinity.

PRELUDE

Pam Batten

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

*EVENING CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

P: Father God,
C: we rest in you.

P: Jesus the Son,
C: we rest in you.

P: Holy Spirit,
C: we rest in you.

Silence

P: Loving Father, for the things this day that have brought us joy,
C: we give you thanks.

P: Healing Lord, for the things this day that have brought us sorrow,
C: bring us peace.

P: Spirit of life, in the closing of this day,
C: give us rest.

Silence

P: That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful, let us pray with one heart and mind. As you have made this day, O God,

C: you also make the night. Give light for our comfort. Come upon us with quietness and still our souls that we may listen for the whisper of your Spirit and be attentive to your nearness in our dreams. Empower us to rise again in new life to proclaim your praise, and to show Christ to the world. As our evening prayer rises before you, O God, so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts and set us free to sing your praise now and forever. Amen.

*SERVICE OF LIGHT

Leader:



Jesus Christ, you are the light of the world;

All:



the light no darkness can o - ver - come;

Leader:



Stay with us now, for it is evening,

All:



and the day is al - most over.

Leader:



Let your light scat - ter the darkness,

All:



and shine within your peo - ple here.—

*EVENING HYMN

All: a tempo



1. Joy - ous light of heav - 'nly glo - ry, lov - ing
2. In the stars that grace the dark - ness, in the
3. You who made the heav - en's splen - dor, ev - 'ry



glow of God's own face, you who sing cre - a - tion's
blaz - ing sun of dawn, in the light of peace and
danc - ing star of night, make us shine with gen - tle



sto - ry, shine on ev - 'ry land and race. Now as
wis - dom, we can hear your qui - et song. Love that
jus - tice, let us each re - flect your light. Might - y



eve - ning falls a - round us, we shall raise our songs to
fills the night with won - der, love that warms the wea - ry
God of all cre - a - tion, gen - tle Christ who lights our




you, God of day - break, God of shad - ows, come and
soul, Love that bursts all chains a - sun - der, set us
way, Lov - ing Spir - it of sal - va - tion, lead us



light our hearts a - new. _____
free and make us whole. _____
on to end - less day. _____

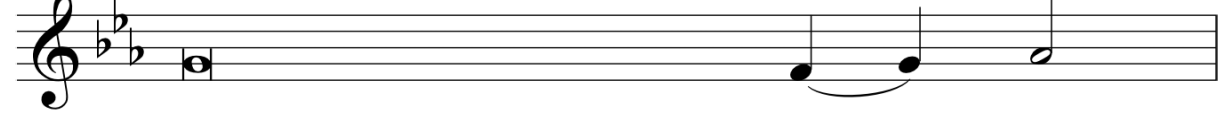
*EVENING THANKSGIVING

Leader: *All:*



May God be with you all, and al - so with you;

Leader:



Let us sing our thanks to _____ God,


All:



It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader: Blessed are you, Creator of the universe—from old you have led your people by night and day. May the light of your Christ make our darkness bright, for your Word and your presence are the light of our pathways, and you are the light and life of all creation.

All:



A - - - - - men.

*PSALMODY

Refrain
All:



Let my prayer rise up like in - cense be - fore you, the



lift - ing up of my hands as an of - fer - ing to you.

Verse 1

Leader

1. O God, I call to you, come to me

All or Group Two

1. O God, I

now; O hear my voice when I cry to
call to you, come to me now; O hear my

Refrain

you. Let my prayer rise up like
voice when I cry to you. Let my prayer rise

in-cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an
up like in-cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my

Verse 2

of-fer-ing to you. 2. Keep watch with -

hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

in me, God; deep in my heart may the light of your
2. Keep watch with - in me, God; deep in my

love be burn - ing bright.
heart may the light of your love be burn - ing

Refrain

Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be - fore you, the
bright. Let my prayer rise up like in-cense be -

lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an of-fer-ing to

Verse 3

3. All praise to the God of all, Cre - a - tor of

you. 3. All praise to the

life; all praise be to Christ and the Spir - it of

God of all, Cre - a - tor of life; all praise be to

Refrain

love. Let my prayer rise up like

Christ and the Spir-it of love. Let my prayer rise

in-cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my hands as an

up like in-cense be - fore you, the lift-ing up of my

of - fer-ing to you.

hands as an of-fer-ing to you.

A brief silence is held

P: May our prayers come before you, O God, as incense, and may your presence surround and fill us, so that in union with all creation, we might sing your praise and your love in our lives.

C: Amen.

P: The Light shines in the darkness

C: and the darkness has not overcome it.

***THE ANNUNCIATION**

L: An angel went from God to a town called Nazareth to a woman whose name was Mary. The angel said to her, "Rejoice, O highly favored, for God is with you. You shall bear a child, and his name shall be Jesus, the Chosen One of God Most High." And Mary said, "I am the servant of my God, I live to do your will."



***MAGNIFICAT**

All:

1., 3. My soul pro - claims your
kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

2. You have cast the might - y
great - ness, O God, and my spir - it re - joic - es in
down from their thrones, and up - lift - ed the hum - ble of
you, You have looked with love on your
heart, You have filled the hun - gry with
fine last time
ser - vant here, and blessed me all my life through.
won - drous things, and left the wealth - y no part.
Great and might - y are you, O Ho - ly One,
Great and might - y are you, O Faith - ful One,
strong is your kind - ness ev - er - more.
strong is your jus - tice strong your love,
How you fa - vor the weak — and low - ly one,
As you prom - ised to Sar - ah and A - bra - ham,

hum - bling the proud of heart.
kind - ness for - ev - er - more.

WELCOME HOME!

WORD
God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

THE FIRST READING: Psalm 42:1-5

NRSVue

- L: ¹As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.
- C:** ²**My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God?**
- L: ³My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?"
- C:** ⁴**These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.**

- L: ⁵Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?
- C:** **Hope in God, for I shall again praise him.**
- L: The Word of the Lord.
- C:** **Thanks be to God.**



THE SECOND READING: Romans 14:13-23

NRSVue

¹³Let us therefore no longer pass judgment on one another, but resolve instead never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother or sister. ¹⁴I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself, but it is unclean for anyone who considers it unclean. ¹⁵If your brother or sister is distressed by what you eat, you are no longer walking in love. Do not let what you eat cause the ruin of one for whom Christ died. ¹⁶So do not let your good be slandered. ¹⁷For the kingdom of God is not food and drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. ¹⁸The one who serves Christ in this way is acceptable to God and has human approval. ¹⁹Let us then pursue what makes for peace and for mutual

upbuilding. ²⁰Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong to make someone stumble by what you eat; ²¹it is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that makes your brother or sister stumble. ²²Hold the conviction that you have as your own before God. Blessed are those who do not condemn themselves because of what they approve. ²³But those who have doubts are condemned if they eat because they do not act from faith, for whatever does not proceed from faith is sin.

L: The Word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Lenten Acclamation*



We are turn - ing, Lord, to hear you; you are mer - ci - ful and kind -



slow to an - ger, rich in bless - ing, and with love to us in - clined.



***THE HOLY GOSPEL:** John 10:1-10

NRSVue

¹“Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. ⁵They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” ⁶Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁷So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the door for the sheep. ⁸All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. ⁹I am the door. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. ¹⁰The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.
C: Praise be to Christ.

SERMON: *"I AM... the Door"*

Pastor Erin Morris



***HYMN OF THE DAY:** *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*



1 Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing for
 2 Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing, plead - ing for
 3 Oh, for the won - der - ful love he has prom - ised, prom - ised for



you and for me. See, on the por - tals he's wait - ing and watch - ing,
 you and for me? Why should we lin - ger and heed not his mer - cies,
 you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mer - cy and par - don,

Refrain



watch - ing for you and for me.
 mer - cies for you and for me? "Come home, come home!"
 par - don for you and for me.



You who are wea - ry, come home." Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,



Je - sus is call - ing, call - ing, "O sin - ner, come home!"

Text: Will L. Thompson, 1847-1909
 Music: THOMPSON, Will L. Thompson



MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS BACK TO GOD

- Many services and missions of the church are benefited by your generous offerings.
- Canyon del Oro Assembly of God Food Pantry
 - Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona • ELCA Grand Canyon Synod
 - Interfaith Community Services (ICS) • Marana Food Bank • Youth on Their Own (YOTO)
 - Primavera Men's Shelter • Impact • Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
 - Sister Jose Women's Center • Wycliffe Bible Missionaries
 - Lutheran Campus Ministry of U of A. Thank you!

MUSICAL OFFERING

Blessed Be Your Name

Jeff Kraus

by Matt Redman

OFFERING PRAYER

P: Gracious Provider, you set your immense treasures among us, opening your heart to the world. As we prepare to feast on your bountiful love, deepen our commitment to sharing those treasures with others, through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.



LITANY AND PRAYERS

A *Repeat continuously*

(Hmmm)

B

God — of mer - cy, hold us in love.

Leader: **A** **B**

1. In peace, in peace, we pray to you:

Leader: **A** **B**

2. For peace and sal - va - tion, we pray to you:



Leader: **A** **B**

3. For peace be - tween na - tions, for peace be - tween peo - ples:
4. For us who are gath - ered to wor - ship and praise you:
5. For all of your ser - vants who live out your gos - pel:
6. For all those who gov - ern, that jus - tice might guide them:
7. For all those who la - bor in ser - vice to oth - ers:
8. Grant weath - er that nour - ish - es all of cre - a - tion:
9. Keep watch on our loved ones and keep us from dan - ger:
10. For all the be - lov - ed who rest in your mer - cy:

Leader:

Help us, com - fort us, all of our days:

All:

Keep — us, hold — us, gra - cious God.



*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*JESUS' PROMISE AND COMMAND

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach 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.

HOLY COMMUNION IS CELEBRATED - All are invited to the Lord's table.

- Receive a wafer and dip it in either red wine or white grape juice.
- Indicate you need a gluten free wafer by holding up two fingers.
- Individually wrapped communion packs are available.
- Those not receiving communion may come forward for a spoken blessing.
- If you are unable to come forward, notify an usher and we will come to you.

VIDEO PRESENTATION: *The Journey of Lent*

COMMUNION HYMNS: *O Christ, Thou Lamb of God*

O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,
have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak -
est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us!
O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,
grant us thy peace! A - men

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;
I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;
all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

Lord, Take My Hand and Lead Me

1 Lord, take my hand and lead me up - on life's way;
2 Lord, when the tem - pest ra - ges, I need not fear;
3 Lord, when the shad - ows length - en and night has come,
di - rect, pro - tect, and feed me from day to day.
for you, the Rock of A - ges, are al - ways near.
I know that you will strength - en my steps toward home,
With - out your grace and fa - vor I go a - stray;
Close by your side a - bid - ing, I fear no foe,
then noth - ing can im - pede me, O bless - ed Friend!
so take my hand, O Sav - ior, and lead the way.
for when your hand is guid - ing, in peace I go.
So, take my hand and lead me un - to the end.

Text: Julie von Hausmann, 1825–1901; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*
Music: SO NIMM DENN MEINE HÄNDE, Friedrich Silcher, 1789–1860
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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

C: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

*FINAL BLESSING

Leader: Let us bless our God: praise and thanks to you.
All: May God, Cre - a - tor bless us and keep us, may
Christ be ev - er light for our lives, may the
Spir - it of Love be our guide and path, for
all of our days.
A - men.

*DISMISSAL

C: Called by God's Spirit, we are to be the presence of Christ in our daily lives so that others will follow him.

P: Go in peace. Follow the voice of Jesus.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Financial Information Update:

Financial updates will be published in April, July and October.
Thank you.

Attendance for last week:

Oro Valley: 576
SaddleBrooke: 145
Online: 432

*God's grace and your faithful financial partnership have enabled us
to continue the mission to which God has called us!*

*Please use these QR Codes to easily access our
website and giving page.*



Resurrection
Website Homepage



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**Altar flowers are given by
Edith Bergh in memory of Maury Bergh
and by Rosemary Oldenburg in memory of Richard's Birthday.**



ASSISTING US

5:00 PM Service:

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Thank you for wearing your name tags. If you are in need of one, please contact the church office.

FACILITIES INFORMATION

- **Restrooms** are located in the hallway to your right as you face the exit of the worship space.
- **Childcare is available** (during 9:15 and 10:45 services) at the end of the hallway to your right as you face the exit of the worship space.
- **Wireless Sound Enhancement Units** are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.
- **Large Print Bulletins** are available. Please ask an usher for assistance.
- **Offices** are located in the Administration Building.
- **Please Observe AZ State Law:** Please refrain from smoking within 20 feet of public entrances.

WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday Worship

5 PM – Traditional service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.
First Saturday – Healing Service. Fourth Saturday – Holden Evening Prayer.

Sunday Worship

7:45 AM – Traditional liturgical service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.

9:00 AM – Traditional service at our SaddleBrooke location.

9:15 AM – Traditional service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.

10:45 AM – Children's Sunday School located in the Child Development Center and Confirmation and High School Sunday School meet in the Outreach Building. Classes are available for ages 3 through 12th grade.

10:45 AM – Contemporary service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.

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