

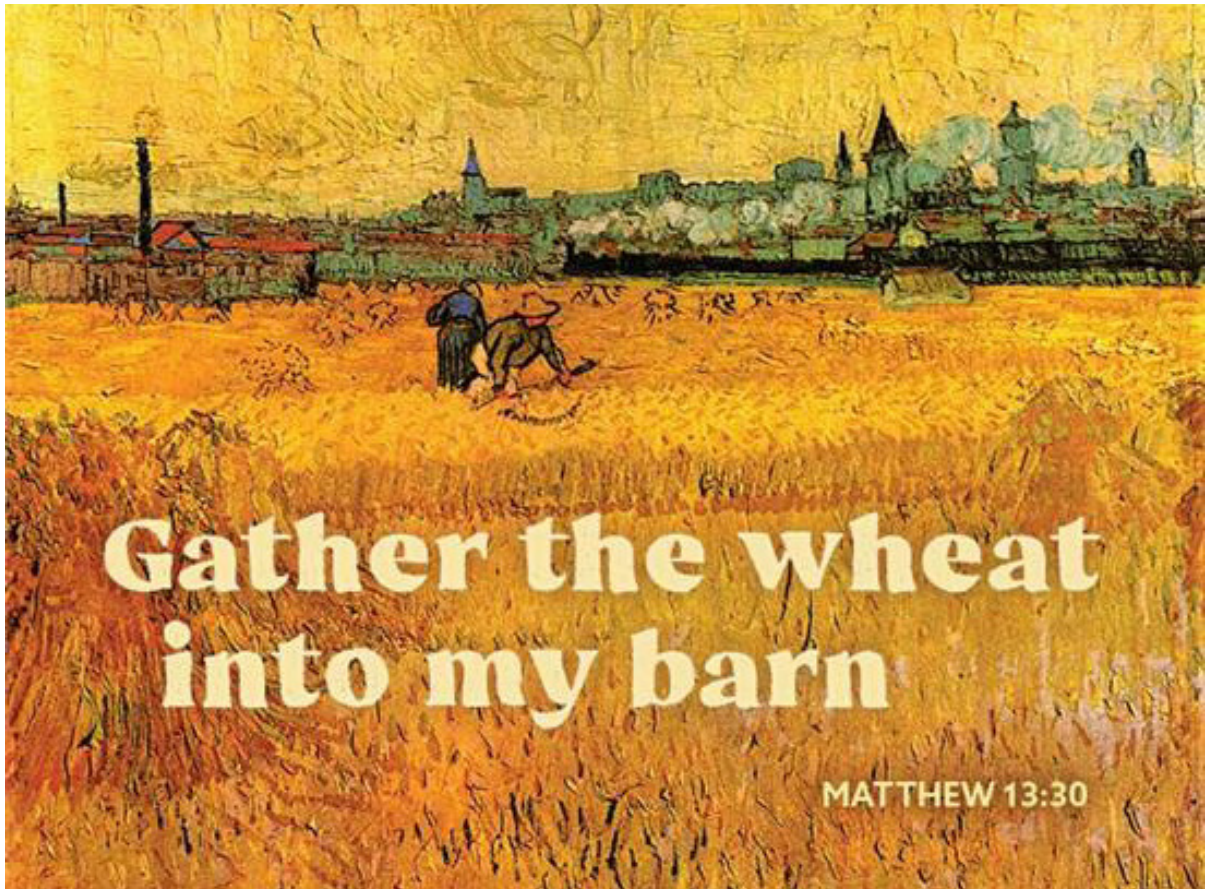
Eighth Weekend After Pentecost

Saturday, July 18, 2026

5:00 PM

Sunday, July 19, 2026

8:30 AM



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)”**

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

We live with the reality that good and evil, joy and struggle, often grow together in the world and even within us. In today’s parable, Jesus reminds us that God is patient and at work in ways we do not always see, bringing growth and life according to God’s wisdom and timing. With Paul, we trust in the hope that all creation will be made new and set free by God’s grace. Strengthened at the Lord’s table, we are sent to live as people of justice, mercy, and faithful love.

PRELUDE

Saturday
Sunday

Jamee Haddorff, piano
Alex Bennett, organ

GATHERING

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

P: We gather in the presence of God, whose love is steadfast and whose mercy endures forever.

C: We come seeking wisdom, patience, and hope.

P: In seasons of growth and waiting, God is at work among us and within us.

C: Teach us your ways, O Lord, and guide our hearts.

P: Christ reminds us that the kingdom of God is growing, even when the way forward is not always clear.

C: Strengthen our faith as we trust in your timing and grace.

P: Let us worship the God who sees beyond what we see and brings new life from every season.

C: We come with open hearts, trusting in God’s love.

*OPENING HYMN: Praise and Thanksgiving



1 Praise and thanks-giv - ing, God, we would of - fer for all things
2 God, bless the la - bor we bring to serve you, that with our
4 Then will your bless - ing reach ev - 'ry peo - ple, free - ly con -



liv - ing, you have made good: har - vest of sown fields, fruits of the
neigh-bor we may be fed. Sow - ing or till - ing, we would work
fess - ing your gra - cious hand. Where you are reign - ing, no one will



or - chard, hay from the mown fields, blos - som and wood.
with you, har - vest - ing, mill - ing for dai - ly bread.
hun - ger; your love sus - tain - ing show - ers the land.

Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt.
Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune
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*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.



***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Faithful God,
C: **you are our most merciful judge, caring for your children with both firmness and compassion. By your Spirit, nurture us in your kingdom and root us in the way of your Son. Give us eyes to recognize your presence, hearts that trust your wisdom, and lives that reflect your love; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WELCOME HOME!

8:30 AM - CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

WORD

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

THE FIRST READING: Psalm 86:11-17

NRSVue

L: ¹¹ Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere your name.
C: ¹² **I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever.**
L: ¹³ For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.
C: ¹⁴ **O God, the insolent rise up against me; a band of ruffians seeks my life, and they do not set you before them.**

L: ¹⁵ But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.
C: ¹⁶ **Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save the child of your maidservant**
L: ¹⁷ Show me a sign of your favor,
C: **so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame, because you, Lord, have helped me and comforted me.**

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

THE SECOND READING: Romans 8:12-25

NRSVue

¹² So then, brothers and sisters, we are obligated, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—¹³ for if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs: heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. ¹⁸ I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. ¹⁹ For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God, ²⁰ for the creation was subjected to futility, not of

its own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope ²¹ that the creation itself will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. ²² We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labor, ²³ and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** (*Pavlechko*)

Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

Al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia.

Music: Thomas Pavlechko, b. 1962
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*THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

NRSVue

²⁴ Jesus put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field, ²⁵ but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' ²⁸ He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹ But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.' " ³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him,

saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷ He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

P: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise be to Christ!

SERMON: "What Will We Do With The Wheat?"

Deacon Emma Janzen



*HYMN OF THE DAY: O God, Whose Word Well-Planted

1 O God, whose word well-plant - ed yields fruit a hun - dred - fold,

2 O God of seed and har - vest, of sun and soil and rain,

3 O God, your fi - nal har - vest of his - t'ry's an - cient field

we praise your grac - es grant - ed to those who sowed of old,

at - tend the word we sow, lest its plant - ing be in vain.

will test with truth the proud - est that hu - man work can yield.

who by their wit - ness scat - tered good seed up - on the soil

Send show - ers of your Spir - it, bright sun - shine of your grace,

Op - pres - sion's blight will van - ish, fair free - dom's fruits in - crease;

where oth - ers, reap - ing, gath - ered the har - vest of their toil.

that mul - ti - tudes who hear it your gos - pel may em - brace.

and love and joy will flour - ish to clothe the earth with peace.

*APOSTLES' CREED

P: People of God, what is it we confess to be true?

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of 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.

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.

*universal

PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE

P: God of grace,
C: hear our prayer.

P: Trusting you receive all our prayers, we commend our spoken and unspoken prayers to you, O God, through Jesus our Savior.
C: Amen.

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.

 - ELCA Grand Canyon Synod • Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona
 - Interfaith Community Services (ICS) • Impact of Southern Arizona • Marana Food Bank
 - Canyon del Oro Assembly of God Food Pantry • Lutheran Campus Ministry of U of A.
 - Youth on Their Own (YOTO) • Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
 - Primavera Men’s Shelter • The Renewal Centers of Tucson
 - ELCA Fund For Leaders In Ministry • Anna Lawrence Food Pantry
 - Wycliffe Bible Translators • Casas Por Cristo • Feed My Starving Children Thank you!

MUSICAL OFFERING

5:00 PM - Blessings by Laura Story
Tanya Elias, solo; Jamee Haddorff, piano

8:30 AM - On the Rock That Is Higher Than I!
from the Spiritual/Gospel idioms, by Dana Mengel
Summer Singers; Jamee Haddorff, piano

*OFFERING PRAYER

P: Faithful God, you plant seeds of grace and love among us and invite us to share in the work of your kingdom. Receive these gifts and use them to nurture hope, bring healing, and bless your world. May our offerings and our lives be instruments of your love, bringing hope and healing to your world.
C: Amen.

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, whose compassion endures forever.
C: Amen.

P: God invites us to bring our whole selves before him - our hopes, our failures, and our need for grace. Let us confess our sins.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Merciful God,
C: we confess that we often want quick answers and easy solutions. We are quick to judge others and slow to trust your patience and wisdom. We overlook your presence in those around us and allow fear, frustration, and division to take root in our hearts. Forgive us, renew us, and teach us your ways. Root us more deeply in faith, hope, and love, that we may live as your beloved children.
Amen.

P: God sees us with compassion and calls us by grace. In ☩ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. You are made new, rooted in God’s love, and strengthened to grow as God’s people.
C: Thanks be to God! Amen.

*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.

We believe that Christ is truly present in the bread and wine that we receive. This gift of grace is given freely by Christ for all. We welcome people of all ages to come forward to either receive communion or a blessing.

- 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: A Seed of Faith



COMMUNION HYMNS: As the Grains of Wheat

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were

gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from

all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless-ing is shared with-in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore-taste of all that is to come when

Refrain

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

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Music: AS THE GRAINS, Marty Haugen
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For the Fruit of All Creation



1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

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

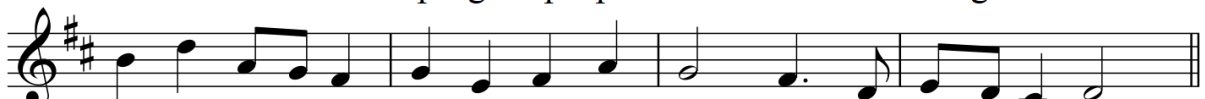
*BENEDICTION

P: May the God who patiently nurtures your faith, fill you with hope. May Christ, who plants seeds of grace, guide you in love. May the Holy Spirit strengthen you as you grow in God's kingdom. And may Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you and keep you now and forever.
C: Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN: Bring Forth the Kingdom



You are salt for the earth, O people: Salt for the Kingdom of God!
You are a light on the hill, O people: Light for the Ci - ty of God!
You are a seed of the Word, O people: Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
We are a blest and a pil - grim people: Bound for the Kingdom of God!



Share the fla - vor of life, O peo - ple: Life in the Kingdom of God!
Shine so ho - ly and bright, O peo - ple: Shine for the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mer - cy and seeds of jus - tice, Grow in the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland: Love is the Kingdom of God!

Refrain



Bring forth the Kingdom of mer - cy, Bring forth the Kingdom of peace;



Bring forth the Kingdom of jus - tice, Bring forth the



Ci - ty of God! (piano concludes verse)

*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. Let God’s love take root in you.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Saturday

Sunday

Jamee Haddorff, piano
Alex Bennett, organ

Financial Information Update:

Donations for 2nd Qtr 2026
Received: \$525,965
Budgeted: \$566,429

Attendance for last week:
Oro Valley: 496
SaddleBrooke: 84
Online: 499

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

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ASSISTING US

5:00 PM Service:		8:30 AM Service:	
Altar Care	Ushers/Greeters	Altar Care	Ushers/Greeters
Mitch and Monica Komro	Carolyn and Gary Lerch	Susanne Hustek	Jim and Patty Horton
Richard Zering	Lillian Lovaglio	Jacque Thames	Judy Jacobson
Communion Assistants	Kathy Wahl (Lead)	Communion Assistants	Patti Thompson (Lead)
Craig Barker	Reader	Ray Brixey	Sherry Ulasien
Lee Ruesch	Craig Barker	Gail Farinacci	Christine Wells
Jim and Jan Truitt		Frankie and Alan Hirtle	Reader
		Romana Parobek	David Waldron
		Karen and Bill Skeeles	
		Mary Ann and David Waldron	

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	Alex Theis
	Dave Wise

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 8:30 and 10:00 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

5:00 PM – Traditional service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.
First Saturday – Healing Service. Fourth Saturday – Holden Evening Prayer.

Sunday Worship - Summer Hours

8:30 AM – Traditional liturgical service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.

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

10:00 AM – Children's Summer Sunday School located in Katie's Quarters. Students age 3 through 12th grade will gather together.

10:00 AM – Contemporary service in the Sanctuary at the Oro Valley campus.

A **livestream** of all Oro Valley services is available at www.orovalley.org under the "Live Services" button. Recordings are available on our Youtube channel.

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