

Dear members of God's family at Resurrection Church,

Today's readings point to the power of God in Christ to control and calm the storms of chaos and evil on earth and in our lives. If you are unable to participate in our worship outdoors at the church, join the congregation with your own worship at home **at 10am on Sunday** or otherwise engage our home worship resources in ways appropriate to your circumstances.



**The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
June 20, 2021
Our Common Prayer at Home**

You may choose to participate in this home prayer simply by using this text, or by adding into it the printed text of Pastor Linman's sermon, or by adding one or more of the clip-based worship videos, or by engaging in the entire worship video. Find a peaceful place to pray, perhaps a table. You may wish to light a candle near where you pray. One person may lead in this acclamation and then pray the Prayer of the Day.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all. **Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God of creation, eternal majesty, you preside over land and sea, sunshine and storm. By your strength pilot us, by your power preserve us, by your wisdom instruct us, and by your hand protect us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Then the readings for this Sunday may be read, as follows:

FIRST READING: Job 38:1-11

A reading from Job.

¹The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

²“Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

³Brace yourself like a warrior,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

⁴“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

⁵Who determined its measurements—surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

⁶On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

⁷when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

⁸“Or who shut in the sea with doors

when it burst out from the womb?—

⁹when I made the clouds its garment,

and thick darkness its swaddling band,

¹⁰and prescribed bounds for it,
and set bars and doors,
¹¹and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther,
and here shall your proud waves be stopped?’”

Word of God, word of life.
Thanks be to God.

This Psalm is read or sung in response to the First Reading. Music may be found at: <https://www.relcarlington.org/hw/20210620/playlist>

PSALM 107:1-3, 23-32

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good,
for God’s mercy endures forever.
²Let the redeemed of the LORD proclaim
that God redeemed them from the hand of the foe,
³gathering them in from the lands;
from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.
²³Some went down to the sea in ships,
plying their trade in deep waters.
²⁴They beheld the works of the LORD,
God’s wonderful works in the deep.
²⁵Then God spoke, and a stormy wind arose,
which tossed high the waves of the sea.
²⁶They mounted up to the heavens and descended to the depths;
their souls melted away in their peril.
²⁷They staggered and reeled like drunkards,
and all their skill was of no avail.
²⁸Then in their trouble they cried to the LORD,
and you delivered them from their distress.
²⁹You stilled the storm to a whisper
and silenced the waves of the sea.
³⁰Then were they glad when it grew calm,
when you guided them to the harbor they desired.
³¹Let them give thanks to you, LORD, for your steadfast love
and your wonderful works for all people.
³²Let them exalt you in the assembly of the people;
in the council of the elders, let them sing hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

A reading from 2 Corinthians.

¹As we work together with God, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. ²For God says,

“At an acceptable time I have listened to you,
and on a day of salvation I have helped you.”

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! ³We are putting no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, ⁷truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

¹¹We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you.

¹²There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. ¹³In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Mark 4:35-41

The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 4th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³⁵When evening had come, Jesus said to the disciples, “Let us go across to the other side.” ³⁶And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. ³⁷A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. ³⁸But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, “Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?” ³⁹He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. ⁴⁰He said to them, “Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?” ⁴¹And

they were filled with great awe and said to one another, “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Having read these readings, think of this:

Let the storm at sea stand for all that threatens life, for evil and for death. Today’s readings are full of such threats. Paul’s life has been marked by afflictions, some of which sound familiar to us: hardships, calamities, riots, sleepless nights. The whole book of Job tells the story of a man of suffering whose very life cries out to God. And the disciples in the boat are afraid, complaining to Jesus. We are in the same boat and we too are often afraid. At first Jesus seems to be quite hidden, asleep, silent. But then, with the disciples, we discover that all the power of God to create and hold all things, the very power that answered Job by appearing in the whirlwind, is found in Jesus Christ. Just so, in Mark Jesus seems to be hidden in suffering on the cross. But now is the day of salvation. By the power of the Spirit, the risen one is with us in our reading of the scriptures and in our keeping of his meal. In that presence, God says to all that threatens life, “Thus far and no farther!” Opening our hearts wide to that word we also open our hearts wide to our neighbors’ need. With Paul, we are dying, and see—we are alive!

At this point, read or listen to Pastor Linman’s Fourth Sunday after Pentecost Sermon. It may be found in the RELC News, on the RELC website, or at:
<https://www.relcarlington.org/hw/20210620/playlist>

If you have a hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, you might now read or sing:
<https://www.relcarlinton.org/hw/20210620/playlist>

HYMN OF THE DAY #756
(*Evangelical Lutheran Worship*)

Eternal Father, Strong to Save

1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, whose arm has bound the
2 O Sav - ior, whose al - might - y word the winds and waves sub -
3 O Ho - ly Spir - it, who didst brood up - on the cha - os
4 O Trin - i - ty of love and pow'r, all trav - 'lers guard in

rest - less wave, who bade the might - y o - cean deep its
mis - sive heard, who walked up - on the foam - ing deep, and
dark and rude, and bid its an - gry tu - mult cease, and
dan - ger's hour from rock and tem - pest, fire and foe, pro -

own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: oh, hear us when we
calm a - mid the storm didst sleep: oh, hear us when we
give, for wild con - fu - sion, peace: oh, hear us when we
tect them where - so - e'er they go; thus ev - er - more shall

cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
cry to thee for those in per - il on the sea.
rise to thee glad hymns and praise from land and sea.

Text: William Whiting, 1825-1878, alt.
Music: MELITA, John B. Dykes, 1823-1876

Then pray these intercessions:

We join together in prayer before God, responding to each petition with words from today's psalm, "Your mercy endures forever."

A brief silence.

O God of our salvation, we praise you for your continual mercy to the church. Hold the ark of the church in your loving hand, give our leaders endurance through all manner of hardship, and guide us in the way that we should go.

A brief silence.

O Lord of our life, receive our prayers:

Your mercy endures forever.

At this time of the summer solstice, we praise you for the magnificence of nature. Hold the cosmos in your loving hand. Inspire us to care for your wonderful works seen in ocean deeps, in lakes, in rivers, and in wells.

A brief silence.

O Star of our night, receive our prayers:

Your mercy endures forever.

We praise you for the good that we receive in this nation. Purge from us prejudice against those who differ from us in any way. On this World Refugee Day, we pray that refugees travel in safety and reach the promise of a better life for their families.

A brief silence.

O Hope of every nation, receive our prayers:

Your mercy endures forever.

We praise you for gladsome opportunities to travel on rivers, lakes, and seas. Protect all who sail on your waters, and keep coastal dwellers safe from tempests and rising sea levels.

A brief silence.

Wondrous Sovereign of the seas, receive our prayers:

Your mercy endures forever.

We praise you for the loving support of fathers to their children. Bless fathers, stepfathers, foster fathers, godfathers, and all of each gender who give fatherly care. Comfort those who grieve because they cannot father a child. Wherever children are deprived of fathers, provide responsible and affectionate care.

A brief silence.

Eternal Father, strong to save, receive our prayers:
Your mercy endures forever.

We praise you for the lessening of the pandemic, and we pray for all around the globe who continue to face the coronavirus. Open wide our hearts to all who suffer. Send healing to any who are sick, especially those we name here before you: Joana Plerpa, Jeanne Broyhill, Effie Stallsmith, Maggie Mount, Lee Hanson, Malcolm Stark, Norm Olsen, Barb Jensen, Charlotte Boeck, Lynn Kiewel, John Beston, Phillip Swingler, Maria Liwski, Tucker Dean, and Irene Blecher.

A brief silence.

Rock of ages, receive our prayers:
Your mercy endures forever.

We praise you for yet another Sunday, for another week before us. In all our doings, lead us and guide us, and mercifully accept our personal petitions.

A longer period of silence.

Jesus, Savior, pilot me, and receive my prayers:
Your mercy endures forever.

We praise you for all who died in the faith, especially those we name here before you, and we ask that at our end you unite us with all saints into your presence.

A brief silence.

O Harbor in every storm, receive our prayers:
Your mercy endures forever.

We praise you for your steadfast love, and we lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.



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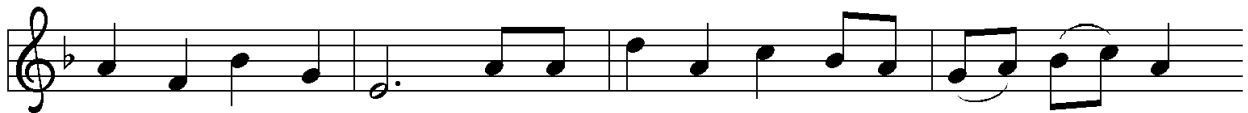
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HYMN #709
(*Evangelical Lutheran Worship*)

When Our Song Says Peace



1 When our song says peace and the world says war, we will
2 When our song says free and the world says bound, we will
3 When our song says home and the world says lost, we will



sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God,
sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God,
sing de-spite the world. We will trust the song, for we sing of God,



who breaks the spear and sword and stills the storm of war.
who o - pens pris - on doors and sets the cap - tives free.
who brings us home at last, and gives a song to all.

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Then conclude with these prayers:

Let us pray,

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Glory to you, O God, for your creative Word:
making and mending all things,
evoking the cosmic hymn of praise,
and singing a love-song for your beloved:
your vineyard, your flock, your people.
With all creation we sing, Glory!

Glory!

Blessed are you for your liberating Word:
speaking through Moses and the prophets,
encountered in the Gospels,
and proclaimed in the assembly:
your freedom, forgiveness, and life for the world.
With the whole world we say, Blessing!

Blessing!

Holy are you, O God, for your living Word:
among us wherever we gather,
welcoming everyone to your feast,
and, with grace and generosity,
bringing to earth the kingdom of heaven.
With saints and angels, we cry, Holy!

Holy!

Clothe us in your loving Spirit,
flowing from the Crucified and Risen One,
and keep us awake to your presence
in the people and places you call us to serve.
Glory, praise, and blessing are yours, Holy God,
now and forever. Amen.

Amen

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins
As we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
And deliver us from evil,
For the kingdom, the power,
And the glory are yours,
Now and forever. Amen.

Almighty God, Father, ✚ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever. **Amen**

“If you cannot now join in the in-person gathering of our church to celebrate the Holy Communion, remember that you can pray at your table in your home, a table which always echoes the Holy Supper.”

**Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest,
and let this food to us be blessed.
Blessed be God, who is our Bread,
may all the world be clothed and fed.**

Readings for the Week:

Monday (commemoration of Onesimos Nesib, translator, evangelist, 1931) Psalm 65.
Tuesday Exodus 9:13-35. **Wednesday** Mark 6:45-52. **Thursday** (John the Baptist)
Luke 1:57-67 [68-80]. **Friday** (commemoration of the Presentation of the Augsburg Confession,
1530; Philipp Melanchthon, renewer of the church, 1560) 2 Corinthians 8:1-7.
Saturday Lamentations 2:18-22. **5th Sunday after Pentecost** (commemoration of Cyril, Bishop
of Alexandria, 444) Lamentations 3:22-33 *or* Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Psalm 30; 2 Corinthians
8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43.

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