

# Walk

SEPT. 22, 2024

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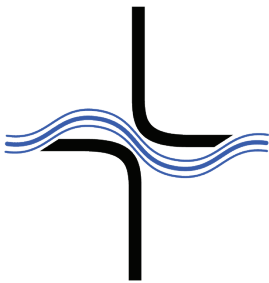
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9:00 am



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Love



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Words in **BOLD** are for congregational participation, either said or sung.

Words to hymns are printed in this bulletin, but you are encouraged to open up and use the red ELW (Evangelical Lutheran Worship) hymnal found below or in front of your seat. Hymn numbers are provided.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

CHORAL INVOCATION

*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

OPENING HYMN

*Christ Is Alive, Let Christians Sing*

ELW 389

**Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**

**Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine,  
but saving, healing, here and now, and touching ev'ry place and time.**

**In ev'ry insult, rift and war, where color, scorn, or wealth divide,  
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.**

**Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.**

**Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and ev'ry age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.**

STORYTIME

*Storytime is for the entire congregation as we begin our exploration of our text for the day.  
Children are invited forward for Storytime as the congregation sings:*

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!  
Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

*As storytime ends, children in grades 1st-6th are invited to leave the worship center for RLC Kids time and activities in the Activity Center. They will rejoin families at offering time. Children in Pre-K through Kindergarten are welcomed to go to Room 45A at the beginning of the service and stay for the entirety of the worship service.*

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 54

Save me, O God, by your name, and vindicate me by your might.  
**Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.**  
With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you;  
I will give thanks to your name, O Lord, for it is good.  
**For you have delivered me from every trouble,  
and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

*Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (Vs. 1, 2, 3, 6)*

ELW 886

**Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!**

**My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of your name.**

**The name of Jesus charms our fears and bids our sorrows cease,  
Sings music in the sinner's ears, brings life and health and peace.**

**To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n  
By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.**

**On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come 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**

ANTHEM

*Bless the Lord, O My Soul*

Ippolitov-Ivanov  
RLC Choir

**Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.**

**Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is understood.**

**When my heart is hard, break the stone away.**

**When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.**

**When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.**

**Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.**

## FIRST READING

## Jeremiah 11:18-20

*Today's reading tells of the suffering of the prophet Jeremiah, who announced God's word to Judah but was met with intense opposition and persecution. Jeremiah continues to trust in God in the midst of his suffering.*

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew;  
then you showed me their evil deeds.

But I was like a gentle lamb  
led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me  
that they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living,  
so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously,  
who try the heart and the mind,

let me see your retribution upon them,  
for to you I have committed my cause.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL

## Mark 9:30-37

*Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.*

They left that place and passed through Galilee. Jesus did not want anyone to know where they were, because he was teaching his disciples. He said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men. They will kill him, and after three days he will rise." But they did not understand what he meant and were afraid to ask him about it. They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest.

Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all." He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

## HYMN OF THE DAY

*Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service (vs. 1, 2, 4)*

ELW 712

Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,  
 Who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed:  
 We, your servants, bring the worship not voice alone, but heart;  
 Consecrating to your purpose ev'ry gift which you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;  
 Still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.  
 As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,  
 By your Spirit, send your power to our world to make it whole.

Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,  
 To the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;  
 Hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,  
 That your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know and live.

## OFFERING

*We gather as a people of God, in the presence of God, to offer up our thanks and praise.*

*Offering is one way in which we support and sustain our shared ministry.*

*You may text your gift: Text <amount> to 651-383-1504,  
 or scan the QR code in this bulletin.*

*Children are invited to bring their offering up to the front of the Worship Center.*



## OFFERING MUSIC

*Festive Celebration*

Kevin McChesney  
 Jubilate and Bells of Praise

## PRAYERS

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

## BLESSING

God all mighty,  
God most merciful  
+ bless you, keep you,  
and give you peace.  
**Amen**

## CLOSING HYMN

*Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

ELW 843

**Praise the one who breaks the darkness with a liberating light;  
Praise the one who frees the prisoners, turning blindness into sight.  
Praise the one who preached the Gospel, healing every dread disease,  
Calming storms and feeding thousands with the very bread of peace.**

**Praise the one who blessed the children with a strong yet gentle word;  
Praise the one who drove out demons with a piercing two-edged sword.  
Praise the one who brings cool water to the desert's burning sand;  
From this well comes living water, quenching thirst in every land.**

**Praise the one true love incarnate: Christ who suffered in our place;  
Jesus died and rose for many that we may know God by grace.  
Let us sing for joy and gladness, seeing what our God has done.  
Praise the one redeeming glory; praise the One who makes us one.**

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Follow Jesus.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## POSTLUDE

# PARTICIPANTS

Pastor Eric Leshner  
Pastor Marty Wyatt  
Pastor Tori Kraus

Jenna Baccam, Director of Children, Family, and Youth Ministry

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Musician: RLC Choir, Jubilate Bell Choir, Bells of Praise, Lori Haaland, John Helgen

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*Generosity is a journey, it's a practice that we nurture within our hearts. This is a journey we make together, a Walk in Love.*



Stewardship 2024-2025  
at Roseville Lutheran

**Walk  
in Love**

**Commitment Sunday is October 6**

Generosity is a journey, it's a practice that we learn and nurture within our hearts. It just isn't in our nature to give away what we have worked hard to acquire or to donate our precious time without compensation. It takes something as radical as Love to inspire us to share our time, talent, and treasure with others. This is a journey we make together, a Walk in Love.

The Gospel reminds us that this world has been turned upside down by the radical love of Jesus. The laws and customs that had been in place for centuries before Jesus were challenged, power and dominion were questioned, and a culture hemmed in from all sides by oppression and subjection desperately sought a way forward.

As it turns out, it is not clever politics or brute force that cause the change in society, but the simplest concept of Love. Jesus causes a revolution of thought and heart by daring to reach out to the outcast and teach others to do the same. He walks in love with the marginalized, with the poor, with the sick, and brings us along with him on his journey.

The most miraculous gift of Love is that it was there with us all along, all we had to do was use what was already there. And look what happened! We Christians over the centuries have learned to share, to give, to volunteer, to accompany others, to feed, to pray, to visit, to strive for change. I invite you to share your stories of inspiration and connection with our shared ministry in this place and with each other. I invite you to Walk in Love.

To recognize and respond to the Love of God already at work within our congregation and through our individual lives we will be celebrating a **Commitment Sunday on October 6, 2024**. On this Sunday we will be returning our pledge cards and celebrating a Ministry Fair that will allow us to express our stewardship not only through the sharing of our treasure but also the sharing of our time and talent.

I would encourage you to fill out your pledge card. Note both sides of the card. One side represents your financial gift. The other side shows proportional giving examples to help you determine the amount of your financial gift.

***See you on Commitment Sunday, October 6***

**\$10/person,  
Kids 5 and under Free!**

# Oktoberfest

**5:00 -  
7:00 pm Friday,  
September 27**

## **SUNDAY WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS** INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILY HELPERS NEEDED

*It takes many helpers to make a Sunday run smoothly at RLC, and to show good hospitality to all who enter our doors. If you or members of your family are interested in helping on Sunday mornings, please contact Mary in the church office at [mjohnson@rosevillelutheran.org](mailto:mjohnson@rosevillelutheran.org) or 651-487-7752, or stop by the Welcome Desk this morning. We are looking for ushers, communion servers, greeters, and readers.*



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