

# RESURRECTION EPISCOPAL CHURCH

LARGO, FL

"To proclaim the Good News and heal the broken."

Sunday Worship 10:00 am

Wednesday Healing Service 12:00 pm

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Death and the Rich Man by Frans II Francken (1581 - 1642), Oil on copper, Executed circa 1610

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

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## Welcome

Thank you for being with us in worship today. However you found your way here—whether by holy habit, familiar path, curiosity, or something deeper—we're glad you came. This community is held together not by perfect beliefs or getting everything right, but by the love of God we see in Jesus: a love that forgives, welcomes, and makes space for us just as we are. Whoever you are, however you identify, you belong here. We grow closer to one another not by pretending, but by being real—by showing up, sharing life, and serving together in Largo and beyond. If you're new or visiting, there are cards in the Narthex to help us get to know you a little better. You can drop one in the offering plate at the back or hand it to one of the ushers on your way out.

Please enter the Sanctuary quietly and reverently and silence your phones.

Our worship begins when we walk in the door.

## Serving Today

Servers: Bob Thacker PoP: Travis Parker

Gail Nichols Organist: Sandra Rogers, DMA

Lectors: Karl Cieslak

Margaret Richcreek

## **Flowers**

The Chancel flowers are given for the glory of God.

## Sanctuary Candles

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# The Word of God

THE PRELUDE

Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

setting by Wilbur Held

THE PROCESSIONAL Hor

How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise

Hymnal, 533

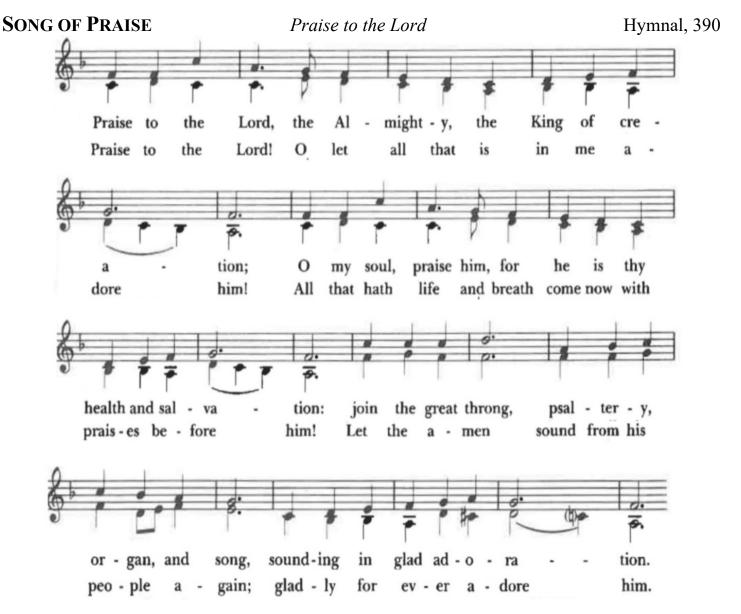
## THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP, 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.



## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP, 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

#### THE FIRST READING

**ECCLESIASTES 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-23** 

Lector A Reading from the book of Ecclesiastes.

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me -- and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labors under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM

Audite haec, omnes

**PSALM 49:1-11** 

Appointed for today is a portion of Psalm 49. We will read responsively by whole verse.

- Hear this, all you peoples; hearken, all you who dwell in the world, \* you of high degree and low, rich and poor together.
- 2 My mouth shall speak of wisdom, \* and my heart shall meditate on understanding.
- I will incline my ear to a proverb \* and set forth my riddle upon the harp.
- 4 Why should I be afraid in evil days, \*

## when the wickedness of those at my heels surrounds me,

- The wickedness of those who put their trust in their goods, \* and boast of their great riches?
- We can never ransom ourselves, \* or deliver to God the price of our life;
- For the ransom of our life is so great, \* that we should never have enough to pay it,
- 8 In order to live for ever and ever, \* and never see the grave.
- For we see that the wise die also; like the dull and stupid they perish \* and leave their wealth to those who come after them.
- Their graves shall be their homes for ever, their dwelling places from generation to generation, \* though they call the lands after their own names.
- Even though honored, they cannot live for ever; \* they are like the beasts that perish.

#### THE SECOND READING

COLOSSIANS 3:1-11

Lector A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things-- anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove

Hymnal, 510

THE GOSPEL LUKE 12: 13-21

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me." But he said to him, "Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?" And he said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." Then he told them a parable: "The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, 'What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?' Then he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ

### THE SERMON

The Rev. Sandra Rogers

THE NICENE CREED BCP, 358

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father

eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven:

by the power of the Holy Spirit

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lector Let us offer prayers to God, who knows the needs of every living creature.

For Doug, our bishop and Sandy, our presbyter, for this holy gathering, and for the

people of God in every place.

People Kyrie eleison.

Lector For the leaders of the nations, and for mercy, justice, and peace in the world.

People Kyrie eleison.

Lector For farmers and a good harvest, for travelers and those on vacation, and for safety

from violent storms.

People Kyrie eleison.

Lector For all those in discernment of your call. May they, especially Rebecca, be so filled

by the Holy Spirit, and minister with joy and steadfast devotion.

People Kyrie eleison.

Lector For all those in danger and need: the sick and the suffering, prisoners, captives, and

their families, the hungry, homeless, and oppressed.

People Kyrie eleison.

Lector For the dying and the dead.

People Kyrie eleison.

Lector For ourselves, our families and companions, and all those we love.

People Kyrie eleison.

Celebrant Trusting in your covenant of mercy, O God, we lift our prayers to you, through

your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

BCP, 360

A moment of silence is observed so we may make our own silent confession before God.

Celebrant Let us pray for the forgiveness of our sins.

All Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins,

known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your

Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus

Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you

in eternal life. Amen.

### THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you

People And also with you.

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please rise for the Oblations

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** 

He That Keepeth Israel

Adolph Schoesser

THE DOXOLOGY

Hymnal, 380 vs3

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## The Holy Communion

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP, 361

The People remain standing.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you,

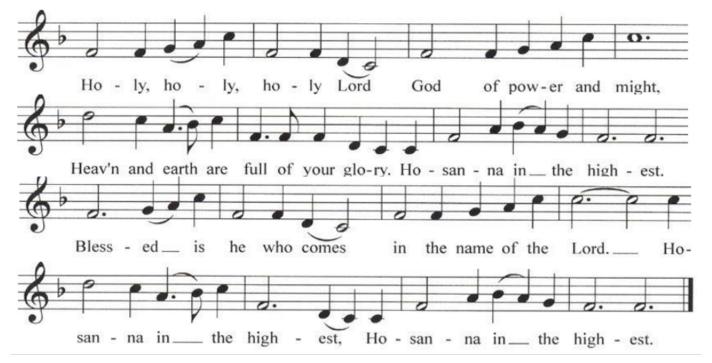
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all

the world.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of

your Name:

SANCTUS WLP, 858



The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus

Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

People sing



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

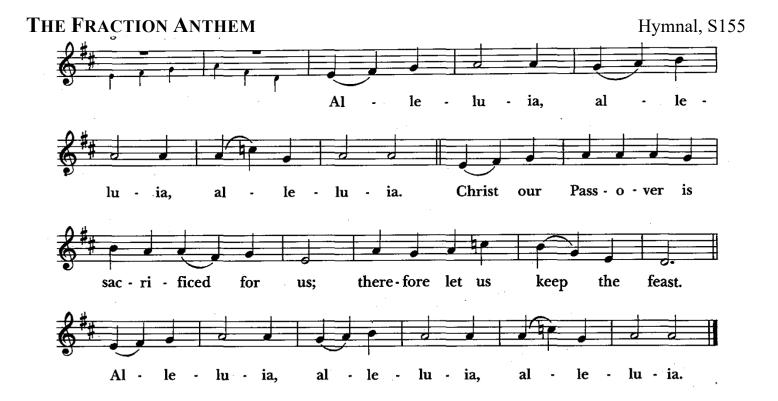
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD



(All baptized persons, regardless of denominational affiliation, are invited to receive Holy Communion.

Even if you are not receiving Communion, please come forward for a simple blessing.

Gluten-free options are available upon request.)

## THE COMMUNION HYMN

Before thy throne, 0 God, we kneel

Hymnal, 574

## THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP, 366

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

Celebrant

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be with you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

THE CLOSING HYMN

Sing praise to God who reigns above

Hymnal, 408

## THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

**THE POSTLUDE** Finale from Symphony # 3 - C. Saint-Saë Albert Zabel



#### **Discernment Process**

Please hold Rebecca Rogers and her family in your prayers as she continues her discernment for Holy Orders.

#### **Summer Formation Series**

Join us as we hear our final installment on pilgrimages during our coffee hour on August 3rd in St. Bernard's Hall. A big thank you to Lindsey Nichol, Bob Thacker, and Bill Athanson for kicking off this inaugural summer formation series!

## Blessing of the Students and Educators on Sunday, August 10

During the service we will invite learners and teachers of all ages forward for a special blessing. Stick around for a special celebration during coffee hour to celebrate the start of the school year!

## Liturgy Team

Tuesdays at 9:30am. Come join the team and learn about bulletin creation, the liturgical calendar, and why we do what we do.

## Midweek Bible Study

Wednesdays at 11am. Join us on a six-week study entitled, "Anchored: Faithful Living in Unsteady Times." We meet in St. Dunstan's Abbey. Zoom is available by request, please talk to Mother Sandy.

## Holy Grounds: Fellowship & Fun

Wednesdays at 6pm, join us as we watch and discuss season 5 of The Chosen. Bring a snack to share!

## Renovation of Resurrection

After much prayer and discussion, the Finance Committee has proposed much-needed updates to our sanctuary, including repairs to lighting, fan controls, and a fresh coat of paint, of which the painting has been completed (Glory to God) and the electric is about 85% completed.

We're calling this the Renovation of Resurrection, a sign of our commitment to growing as a self-sustaining parish. We invite you to prayerfully consider contributing—every gift, large or small, goes directly to paying down the loan principal. Thank you for helping bring this vision to life.

## Outreach

## Daughters of the King "Beds for Kids"

The parish Daughters are collecting items for "Beds for Kids" for Diocesan Convention Outreach. Items being collected include standard size pillows, twin sized bed in a bags, Bible Story Books in either English or Spanish, and small stuffed animals. Items can be placed in the labeled bin in the Narthex.

## Stewardship

There are opportunities to practice financial stewardship with a specific intention. Intentional giving, in addition to annual pledges, aids in spiritual fulfillment and can be a physical representation of your spiritual intent in a way that "keeping the lights on" may not. If you would like to offer a gift in another way, please let us know.

#### Online

Please scan the QR code to the right and follow the prompts.



#### • Sacramental Candle

This candle represents that the Real Presence of Christ is present. You are welcome to donate a minimum of \$10 in order to "light the candle" in memory, praise, or thanksgiving. Please call or email the church office to arrange.

#### Altar Flowers

Altar flowers are a beautiful adornment for the holy area of worship. There are two flower vases and donations are a minimum of \$50 per vase. Please call or email the church office to arrange.

## Your Prayers are Requested:

Members ~ Nancy Campbell, Marilyn Clark, Joan Vogt

Family and Friends ~ Drew Baker and family, Joseph Bedell, Christopher Lewis, Joanne Lewis, Doug Riley, Rich and Bobbie Nichols, Pat Signor's grandson, Bob, Jonathan and his wife, Andrea, Lucia Stadter, Curt Doolan, The Fera Family, Nancy, Angela Berry

Active Military ~ Jeremiah Gill, Evan Chandler

To add someone to our parish prayer list, please email <a href="mailto:parishprayer@reslargo.org">parishprayer@reslargo.org</a>

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

Many happy returns on the day of your birth. May seasons of joy be given. May God, in His mercy, prepare you on Earth for a beautiful birthday in heaven.

Many happy returns for the day that you wed. May seasons of joy be given. May God, in His mercy, prepare you on Earth for a life full of love in heaven.

## Vision

• We are called to unite people with God and each other through the transformative love of Jesus Christ.

#### Mission

• We exist "to proclaim the Good News and heal the broken" as based on Isaiah 61:1.

## At Resurrection, we strive to....

- bridge gaps that divide us by fostering open hearts and connected souls
- bind together through Jesus' love, transcending differences
- be the hands and feet of Christ, reflecting Christ's love and drawing others to His grace
- serve as a guiding light illuminating the path to a community that deepens connections to understand God's boundless love
- strengthen the essence of fellowship by uniting people with God and each other and harnessing the transformative and unifying power of Jesus Christ

## Resurrection Bishop's Committee

Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Karl Cieslak**	Nancy Campbell	Bruce Barnett
Gail Nichols*		Bob Thacker

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