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Sunday | January 18, 2026

WELCOME TO RESURRECTION!

We're glad you're here! At Church of the Resurrection (Rez), we believe that you can be transformed by encountering the love of Jesus. Through this encounter, many people have received healing, become part of a community, and learned to serve others. Our vision is to invite everyone into this kind of transforming relationship with Jesus and his Church, whether you are exploring Christianity for the first time or grew up attending church.

If you are visiting us for the first time or watching on livestream, we are so excited to have you with us. We would love to meet you and give you a gift at the Guest Center.



Matt Woodley

Fr. Matt Woodley
Interim Cathedral Dean
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Anglican Diocese
of the **Upper Midwest**

As the cathedral church, Resurrection is the headquarters for our regional family of churches, the Anglican Diocese of the Upper Midwest, as well as the home of Bishop Stewart Ruch. The mission of our Diocese is to plant a revival of Word and Sacrament infused by the Holy Spirit.

We are also a member of the Anglican Church in North America (ACNA).



Bishop Stewart E. Ruch III
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CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

VISITING?

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CHILDREN

Children's ministry is available for infants through 5th grade. RezKids Midweek for grades 1 to 5 will resume on January 21. It meets on Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm.

YOUTH

RezYouth, for middle and high school students, resumes on January 21. It meets on Wednesdays, 6:30-8/8:30pm. Visit churchrez.org/youth to learn more.

ADULTS

Rooted in Scripture, our adult Bible study, is on break and will resume meeting on Wednesday, January 21, 6:30-8pm, in the Sanctuary.

QUESTIONS?

- For general questions:
office@churchrez.org
- Set up a meeting with a pastor:
meghanrobins@churchrez.org
- Contact non-staff vestry (church board):
rezvestrymembers@gmail.com

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THE WORD OF GOD

In the first half of the service, we encounter God by hearing and responding to his truth in the Bible.

The Processional Hymn

Please stand.

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
3 dai - ly works he wrought; by words and signs and
4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er o - ver - threw.
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt.
Music: DEO GRACIAS, English ballad melody, Trinity College MS., 15th cent.

The Acclamation

CELEBRANT: *Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.*

PEOPLE: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Collect for Purity

CELEBRANT: *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.*

ALL: **Amen.**

The Summary of the Law

CELEBRANT: *Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says:*

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets (Matthew 22:37-40).

The Kyrie

CELEBRANT: *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

PEOPLE: **Christ, have mercy upon us.**

CELEBRANT: *Lord, have mercy upon us.*

Songs of Worship

The Gloria may be sung.

The Collect of the Day

A brief prayer on the theme of the day.

CELEBRANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever.

ALL: **Amen.**

The Lessons

READER: *A reading from the Book of Genesis.*

Genesis 1:26–31 (ESV)

READER: *The Word of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 8 (ESV)

- ¹ O LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- ² Out of the mouth of babies and infants,
you have established strength because of your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.
- ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
- ⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him,
and the son of man that you care for him?
- ⁵ Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
and crowned him with glory and honor.

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- ⁶ You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under his feet,
⁷ all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
⁸ the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
⁹ O LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Alleluia

Please stand.

READER: *The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.*

PEOPLE: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

John 1:29-42 (ESV)

READER: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

Alleluia

The Sermon

The Better Story of Human Dignity

—Fr. Matt Woodley, Interim Cathedral Dean

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The Nicene Creed

*Please stand for the Creed and
the Prayers of the People.*

CELEBRANT: *Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed:*

ALL: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
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,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and 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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

Prayers of the People

LEADER: *Lord, in your mercy:*

ALL: Hear our prayer.

Global Partner Spotlight: Grace

Each week, we pray for one of our global partners. Use this bio as a reminder to pray for them today and throughout the week. Due to safety concerns, we are often limited in how much we can share about the location and nature of this ministry.

Grace lives and serves in Southeast Asia.

The Confession of Sin

DEACON: *Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.*

Please be seated or kneel. There will be a time of silence.

ALL: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

CELEBRANT: *Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

The Comfortable Words

CELEBRANT: *Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).

The Peace

CELEBRANT: *The Peace of the Lord be always with you.*

PEOPLE: **And with your spirit.**

Please use this time to share the peace of Christ with those around you.

Parents of nursery through kindergarten, please pick up your children from their classrooms before the announcements. Parents of grades 1-5, please stay in your seats. After the announcements, shepherds will bring children to the sanctuary center chute. Children will then find you.

The Offertory

GIVING SUMMARY:

Year to Date Income

July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025

Actual	Budget	Difference
\$1,271,258	\$1,336,610	(\$65,352)

Current Month Outlook

January Goal	January Giving	Difference
\$185,273	\$114,747	(\$70,526)

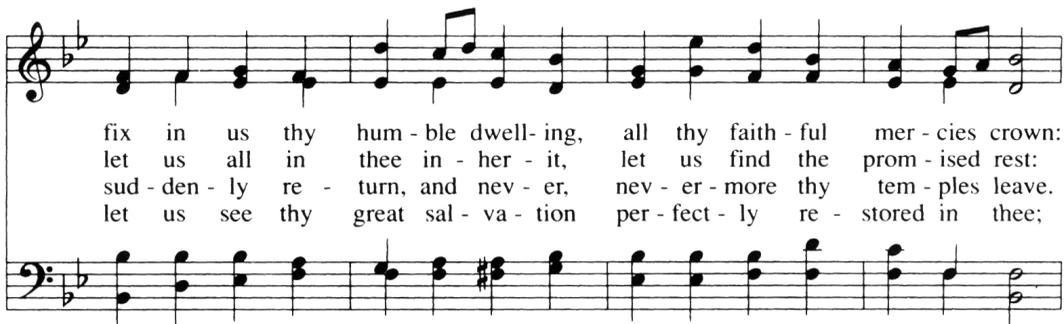
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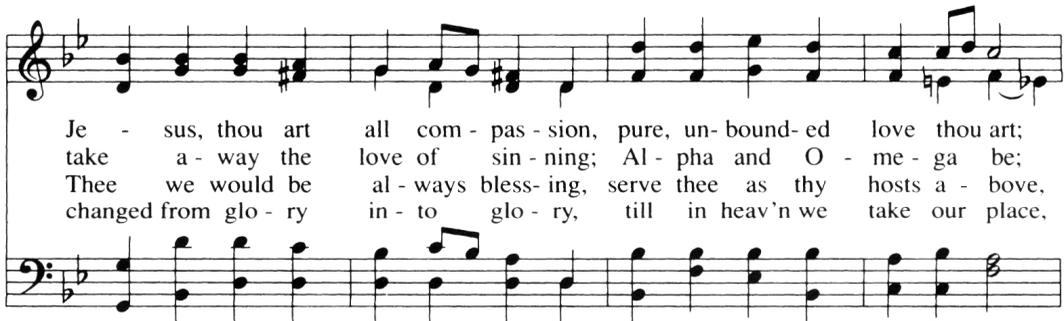
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



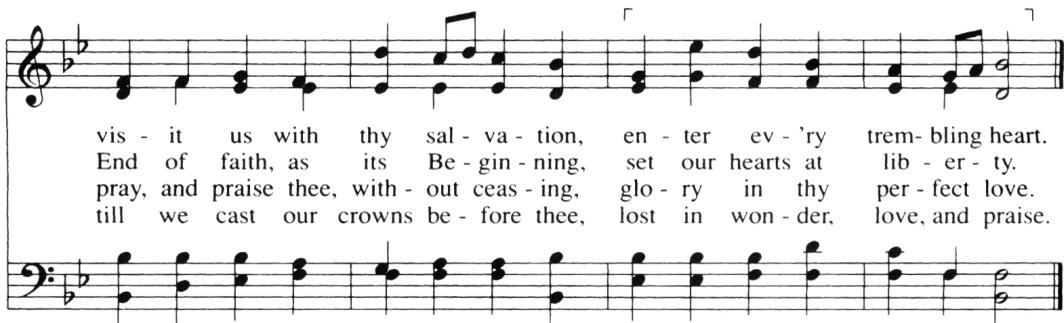
1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to earth come down;
 2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry trou - bled breast;
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy life re - ceive;
 4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less let us be:



fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown;
 let us all in thee in - her - it, let us find the prom - ised rest:
 sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er more thy tem - ples leave.
 let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect - ly re - stored in thee;



Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;
 take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;
 Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,
 changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, till in heav'n we take our place,



vis - it us with thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
 End of faith, as its Be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 pray, and praise thee, with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 till we cast our crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Words: Charles Wesley, 1747
 Music: BEECHER, John Zundel, 1870; alt. 1990

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*In the second part of the service,
we encounter God at his table.*

The Doxology

Please stand.

ALL: 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.

The Great Thanksgiving

CELEBRANT: *The Lord be with you.*

PEOPLE: And with your spirit.

CELEBRANT: *Lift up your hearts.*

PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.

CELEBRANT: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

PEOPLE: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

CELEBRANT: *. . . 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:*

ALL: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,
God of power and might!
Heaven and earth are full of your glory!
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!

"Holy, Holy, Holy," by Richard Leonard, © 1997 Laudemont Ministries.

CELEBRANT: . . . *Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

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

CELEBRANT: . . . *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.*

ALL: Amen.

CELEBRANT: *And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,*

ALL: 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

CELEBRANT: *Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;*

PEOPLE: **Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!**

CELEBRANT: *The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.*

Please be seated. All who are baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and are committed to following Jesus are welcome to receive Communion. Ushers will release you row by row. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Non-alcoholic grape juice is available in the silver trays. Please dispose of used cups in the buckets available on tables in your section.

Songs of Worship

How Bright Appears the Morning Star

1 How bright ap - pears the Morn-ing Star, with mer - cy beam-ing
2 Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, he deigned to cast a
3 Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin - ners,

from a - far; the host of heaven re - joic - es;
pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture;
fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion.

O right-eous Branch, O Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and
the whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high-est ser - a -
In - car - nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great

Son of God! We, too, will lift our voices:
 phim adored, assumed our very nature;
 Conqueror, till all know thy salvation.

Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly ho - ly, yet most low - ly,
 Je - sus, grant us, through thy mer - it, to in - her - it
 A - men, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.
 thy sal - va - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.
 Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

Words: William Mercer (1811–1873), after Philipp Nicolai (1556–1608)
 Music: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET, melody att. Philipp Nicolai, (1556–1608);
 arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Please stand.

CELEBRANT: *Let us pray.*

ALL: Heavenly Father,
We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out to do the work
you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. 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 among you, and remain with you always.*

ALL: Amen.

The Dismissal

DEACON: *Alleluia, alleluia. Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of
the Holy Spirit.*

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



RezNews

What's next at Resurrection

New? Come to First Step

Today & Sunday, Jan 25, 10:30am

A two-part intro to Rez, upstairs.

Congregational Meeting

Today, 3–5pm, Sanctuary

Province's Trial Court verdict & process

MORE

Looking for Community? Join a RezGroup | Sign Up by Tonight | churchrez.org/rezgroups

Meet regularly for Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. Sign up by Jan 18, churchrez.org/rezgroups

RezKids Midweek & RezYouth | Wednesdays, 6:30pm, Starting Jan 21

Volunteers needed for RezKids Midweek! Email Director AngelaVahle@churchrez.org

Rooted in Scripture Evening Prayer & Adult Bible Study | Wednesdays, 6:30–8pm

Come for Evening Prayer and study the Gospel of John, starting Jan 21. Sanctuary.

Alpha | Thursdays, 6:30–8:30pm, Starts Jan 22 | churchrez.org/whatisalpha

The 10-week course where you can ask questions about life, God...anything!

Night of Worship and Prayer | Friday, Jan 23, 7pm | Sanctuary

An extended time of worship and prayer to seek the Lord's face and listen for his voice.

Confirmation Class | Sundays, 4–5:30pm, Starting Jan 25 | Sign Up by Jan 18

Explore membership, learn about Anglicanism, get baptized or renew baptismal vows.

Welcome Group for Newcomers | Mondays, 6–8pm, Feb 2 to Mar 2

A five-week small group to get connected & learn about Rez. churchrez.org/signup

Save the Date! Diocesan Women's Retreat | April 24–26 | Green Lake, WI

RezArts Festival Extended Deadline & Gallery Exhibit | churchrez.org/rezartsfestival

Deadline extended to Monday, Jan 19, 11:59pm! "The Art of Work: Our daily labors made holy."

Enjoy live music, homemade treats, and fun activities on Saturday, Jan 31, 2–5pm.

Sunday Afternoon Prayer Appointments | Jan 25, 1:30–2:30pm | churchrez.org/signup

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A Better Story of Our Destiny

