

Imago Dei

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Sunday | February 8, 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).

This Sunday, Bishop Stewart is visiting Bread of Life Anglican in Madison, Wisconsin.



Bishop Stewart E. Ruch III
Diocese of the Upper Midwest
midwestanglican.org



VISITING?

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CHILDREN

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

YOUTH

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

ADULTS

Rooted in Scripture, our adult Bible study, meets on Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm, in the Sanctuary.

QUESTIONS?

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

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SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30am & 10:30am



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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.

Praise to the Holiest in the Height

1 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the
2 O lov - ing wis - dom of our God! When all was
3 O wis - est love! that flesh and blood, which did in
4 and that the high - est gift of grace should flesh and
5 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the

1 depth be praise; in all his words most
2 sin and shame, a sec ond Ad am
3 Ad - am fail, should strive a fresh a -
4 blood re - fine: God's pres ence and his his
5 depth be praise; in all his words most

1 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!
2 to the fight and to the res - cue came.
3 against the foe, should strive, and should pre - vail;
4 ve - ry self, and es - sence all - di - vine.
5 won - der - ful most sure in all his ways!

Words: John Henry Newman (1801-1890), alt.

Music: NEWMAN, Richard Runciman Terry (1865-1938)

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.*

O Lord, our heavenly Father, keep your household the Church continually in your true religion, that we who trust in the hope of your heavenly grace may always be defended by your mighty power; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

ALL: *Amen.*

The Lessons

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

Deuteronomy 10:12-22 (ESV)

READER: *The Word of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: *Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 146 (BCP 2019)

- 1 Praise the LORD, O my soul; *
while I live I will praise the LORD.
- 2 Indeed, as long as I have my being, *
I will sing praises unto my God.
- 3 Put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man, *
for there is no help in them.
- 4 For when one breathes his last,
he shall return again to the earth, *
and in that day all his thoughts perish.
- 5 Blessed is the one who has the God of Jacob for his help *
and whose hope is in the LORD his God,
- 6 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is therein; *
who keeps his promise for ever;
- 7 Who does right to those who suffer wrong; *
and who feeds the hungry.
- 8 The LORD sets prisoners free; *
the LORD gives sight to the blind.
- 9 The LORD helps those who have fallen; *
the LORD loves the righteous.
- 10 The LORD cares for the strangers in the land;
he defends the fatherless and widow; *
but the way of the ungodly he makes crooked.
- 11 The LORD shall be King for evermore, *
even your God, O Zion, throughout all generations.
Praise the LORD.

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Alleluia

Please stand.

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

PEOPLE: Glory to You, Lord Christ.

Matthew 25:31-46 (ESV)

READER: *The Gospel of the Lord.*

PEOPLE: Praise to You, Lord Christ.

Alleluia

The Sermon

A Better Story About Immigration

—Fr. Will Chester, Executive Pastor

Leviticus 19:34 (ESV)

³⁴ You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself, for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

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: Raina

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.

Raina serves in the Middle East. She is currently in Wheaton on home assignment.

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.*

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest (Matthew 11:28).

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 January 31, 2026

Actual	Budget	Difference
\$1,488,920	\$1,521,883	(\$32,963)

Current Month Outlook

February Goal	February Giving	Difference
\$185,273	\$61,682	(\$123,591)

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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;*

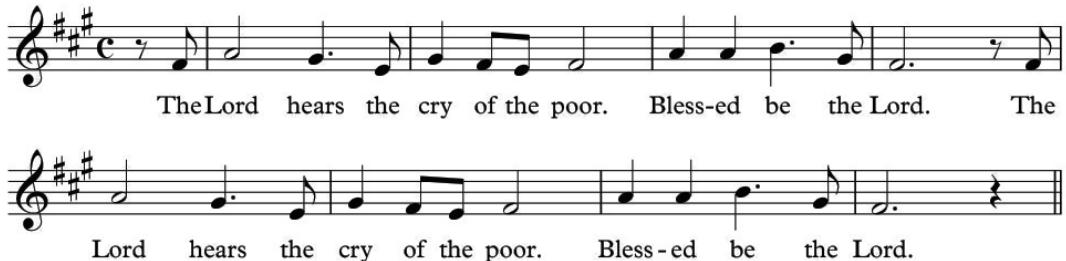
PEOPLE: **Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!**

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

The Cry of the Poor



The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Bless-ed be the Lord. The
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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

Living the Imago Dei

Sundays, 12:30-1:45pm | Gregory Room

Feb 15: Sanctity of Life Ministries Update

Feb 22: A Church-Centered Response to Immigration

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, Feb 18

Services: 7am, 12pm, 7pm

Confessions: 8:30am, 1:30pm, 5pm

MORE

Audition for Light & Lessons | Today, 12:30-2pm | Sanctuary

Middle school and older, bring something small memorized. Children's auditions coming soon.

Family Lent Workshop for Parents | Today, 1-2pm | Gregory Room

Integrate the church year into your home.

Youth Confirmation Class | Sundays, Feb-Apr, 10am-12:30pm

Beginning Feb 15 in St. Timothy Room, 8-12th grade. Register at churchrez.org/signup

Join the VBS Team! | June 8-12, 2026 | churchrez.org/vbs

Volunteer with VBS. Interested? Email VBS Director RJBoyle@churchrez.org

New Employment Opportunities | churchrez.org/jobs

Part-time 25 hr/wk Communications Manager, full-time Children's Pastor, part-time 20 hr/wk Sunday Teams & Services Manager.

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

Registration opens February 15.

Alpha | Thursdays, 6:30-8:30pm | churchrez.org/whatisalpha

Invite a friend. Sign up to bring a meal to Alpha participants.

Intercessory Prayer for the Church & the World | All Saints Prayer Chapel

Mondays at 7:30am, and first Saturdays, 8pm

NOTES

Rector Search Updates | churchrez.org/rectorsearch

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January 18, 2026

A Better Story of Dignity



January 25, 2026

A Better Story About Dependence



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A Better Story of Sexuality

February 8, 2026

A Better Story About Immigration

February 15, 2026

A Better Story of Our Destiny

