

# Resurrection Church Online Worship Gathering | 9.27.20

# **CALLED BY GOD INTO WORSHIP**

# The Lighting of the Quarantine Candles - Carl

One: O Lord, our Light, our Redeemer, our Reconciler,

Many: Shine your light in the darkness!

One: Send your mercy to heal the broken, your strength to renew the weary, and your

power to set the captive free.

Many: Come, almighty God: Father, Son, and Spirit!

One: Carry us through this (un)ordinary time until we can once again enjoy the embrace

of fellowship and the joy of our togetherness in you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

All: Amen!

# The Call to Worship - based on Luke 13:19-20 and Psalm 74:2 - Carl

One: Hear the word of the Lord: "People will come from east and west, and from north and

south, and recline at table in the kingdom of God.

Many: We come to worship our reconciling God who draws us to himself!

One: And behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

Many: We come to worship our God who does justice, who defends the cause of the

poor, who crushes the oppressor.

One: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

All: Lead us to know and extend your reconciling love in this time of worship and

always.

# Song of Response: Great Are You Lord - All Sons & Daughters

You give life, You are love All the earth will shout Your praise

You bring light to the darkness Our hearts will cry, these bones will sing,

You give hope, You restore "Great are You, Lord"

Every heart that is broken

Great are You, Lord It's Your breath in our lungs

So we pour out our praise We pour out our praise

It's Your breath in our lungs

We pour out our praise

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It's Your breath in our lungs

We pour out our praise So we pour out our praise to You only

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# **Corporate Confession of Sin - Kaitlin**

One: O Lord, our hearts are heavy with the sins and sufferings of our age--vitriol and

violence,

prejudice and polarization, a broken justice system, inequity, racism, poverty, oppression, pandemic, and so much more. *To you we lift our outspread hands.* 

All: Lord, have mercy.

One: O Lord, who loves us as Father, who cares for us as a mother, who came to share our life as a brother, we confess before you our failure to live as your children, brothers and sisters bound together in love. *To you we lift our outspread hands.* 

All: Lord, have mercy.

One: Living in fear, willful ignorance, and self-interest, we have too often shied away from our calling to live as beacons of your reconciling love. We have built walls between us and our neighbors; we have struggled to bear one another's burdens in the household of faith. Holy Spirit, pour out upon your church fresh conviction, vision, and gifts that we might embody your self-giving love. *To you we lift our outspread hands*.

All: Lord, have mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

#### Personal Confession of Sin

#### **Assurance of Grace - Kaitlin**

Christ is our peace:

To all who repent and believe he has promised reconciliation.

Those who were divided he has made one.

He has broken down the barriers of separation by his death and new life.

He has reconciled us to God and is reconciling us to one another.

Know that you are forgiven, be at peace, and live as people reconciled. Amen.

# Song of Thanksgiving - The Doxology - all together! - Kaitlin

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise him all people here below

Praise him above you heavenly hosts

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# **INVITED BY GOD INTO COMMUNITY**

# Passing of Peace - Kaitlin

One: The peace of Christ be with you

Many: And also with you!

# Community Prayer - Andrew G.

- Where do we need God to meet us? (pray for needs, griefs, etc)
- What are we celebrating? (birthdays, anniversaries, new jobs, etc) answers to prayer?
- Justice Prayer Month | This Week: Church Justice

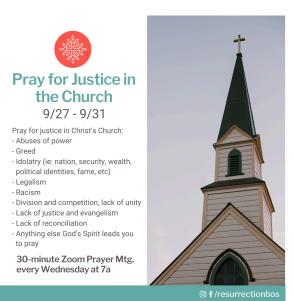
# The Lord's Prayer - Andrew G.

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 debts, as we forgive

our debtors. 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.

#### **Announcements - Kaitlin**

- Join our email list and our Slack space to stay in the loop!



This September, we have been praying for justice around the world, in our nation, in our city, and this week we focus on justice in Christ's church.

# Wednesday, 9/30, 7-7:30a -Church Justice Prayer Meeting

Join us on Zoom for a 30-minute prayer meeting Meeting Link | Password: 912281

# - Thursday, 10/1 - VITALS Night

- We're clearing our church calendar to make space for Vitals to connect.
- VITALS is our smallest community expression, 3-4 people meeting 2-3x/month to do life with God together. We are re-forming them with designated leadership, provided content, and more regular scheduling
- Interested in joining one? Connect with Kaitlin.
- Faith (&) Politics in October



- We are 37 days from Election Day.
- Resurrection Church and its leaders will *never* tell you how to vote or who to vote for, but we will provide you with venues and opportunities to think deeply about how faith and politics intersect and integrate.
- As Christians whose primary allegiance has been pledged to King Jesus, how do we navigate and engage the complex, chaotic landscape of politics faithfully and integrally?
- We will be using the book <u>Compassion (&) Conviction: The AND Campaign's Guide to</u>
  <u>Faithful Civic Engagement</u> as a conversation starter
  - We have 30 books and are selling them below cost (\$8 from Res / \$17+ from Amazon)
- Rescheduled: Sunday, 10/4 6:00-6:20p Post-Gathering Introduction to Faith (&) Politics
  - Thursday, 10/8, OR Saturday, 10/10 Pizza (&) Politics at the Stewart's
  - Thursday, 10/15 7-8:30p Compassion (&) Conviction Conversation #1

- Thursday, 10/29 - 7-8:30p - Compassion (&) Conviction Conversation #2

#### ADDRESSED BY GOD THROUGH SCRIPTURE

# Scripture Reading (English) - Ephesians 2:11-22 (ESV) - Kristi

<sup>11</sup> Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— <sup>12</sup> remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility <sup>15</sup> by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup> And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

# Scripture Reading (Spanish) - Efesios 2:11-22 (RVR) - Hector

<sup>11</sup> Por tanto, acordaos de que en otro tiempo vosotros, los gentiles en cuanto a la carne, erais llamados incircuncisión por la llamada circuncisión hecha con mano en la carne. 12 En aquel tiempo estabais sin Cristo, alejados de la ciudadanía de Israel y ajenos a los pactos de la promesa, sin esperanza y sin Dios en el mundo. 13 Pero ahora en Cristo Jesús, vosotros que en otro tiempo estabais lejos, habéis sido hechos cercanos por la sangre de Cristo. 14 Él es nuestra paz, que de ambos pueblos hizo uno, derribando la pared intermedia de separación, <sup>15</sup> aboliendo en su carne las enemistades (la ley de los mandamientos expresados en ordenanzas), para crear en sí mismo de los dos un solo y nuevo hombre, haciendo la paz, 16 y mediante la cruz reconciliar con Dios a ambos en un solo cuerpo, matando en ella las enemistades. <sup>17</sup> Y vino y anunció las buenas nuevas de paz a vosotros que estabais lejos y a los que estáis cerca, 18 porque por medio de él los unos y los otros tenemos entrada por un mismo Espíritu al Padre. 19 Por eso, ya no sois extranjeros ni forasteros, sino conciudadanos de los santos y miembros de la familia de Dios, <sup>20</sup> edificados sobre el fundamento de los apóstoles y profetas, siendo la principal piedra del ángulo Jesucristo mismo. <sup>21</sup> En él todo el edificio, bien coordinado, va creciendo para ser un templo santo en el Señor; <sup>22</sup> en quien vosotros también sois juntamente edificados para morada de Dios en el Espíritu.

One: La palabra del Señor.

All: Gracias a Dios!

Message: All The Things: Peace Among Division (Ephesians 2:11-22) - Kaitlin

Online: Discussion in Breakout Groups (~ 10 minutes) - Carl

- 1. What did you find most encouraging or challenging about the passage or message?
- 2. What are the "dividing walls of hostility" between you and God, and you and others? To whom can you extend the peace of Christ this week?

# Song of Response: Come To Jesus (Reconciliation Hymn) - People of the Earth

Come to Jesus all who labor From Your strivings come and cease Weary traveler, bring your burdens To the newborn prince of peace Come to Jesus all who sorrow In his name we find relief

There is healing for our struggle

He is comfort for our grief

Come as children to the manger Cast our differences aside Making room for one another May we live as we'll abide In His presence all together Every nation, tribe and tongue

Singing glory in the highest
Now our King has finally come

Bind us together, bind us together, Bind us together in love

Lamb of God now born to save us

To the cross You will prevail
Then in love You'll rise in power
Conquering King of death and hell
So let nothing come between us
Sin will have its way no more
For our hearts have seen the beauty

Of our great and mighty Lord

Precious Jesus, Promise Keeper Set our minds on things above All the wonder of this moment And the glory still to come

Justice rolling like a river
Every wrong will be made right

We will stand as one forever
Sons and daughters of the Light

In His presence all together
Every nation, tribe and tongue
Singing songs of our redemption
Free at last and finally home

# SENT BY GOD INTO THE WORLD

#### Scriptural Blessing - Ephesians 3:20-21 - Kaitlin

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

# **Extinguishing of the Candles - Carl**

# Sending - Carl

One: Let us go forth to love and serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus

Christ.

All: Thanks be to God!