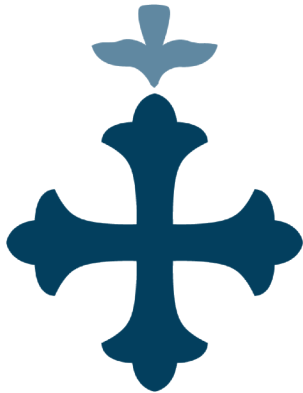


May 10, 2026 | Sixth Sunday of Easter



RESURRECTION MADISON

*Resurrection Presbyterian Church is a community that is
finding life through the gospel of Jesus in order to love God
and neighbor and bless our city.*

A church for urban and university Madison.

Notes

The notes in the margins are a way to help guide you through each aspect of today's service. If you have any questions, we encourage you to chat with a church leader after the service or email admin@respresmsn.org.

Worship Notes

When you see an asterisk (*), please stand as you are able.

Bold text indicates a corporate, responsive reading.

Welcome to

RESURRECTION MADISON

We're all at different stages in our relationship with God: he may be the priority of your life, it may have been a while since you connected with him, or you may be exploring these things for the first time. At Res Pres, we celebrate God's grace: Jesus came to give us life—today and for eternity. This offer is made to us all; whatever your background, we're delighted you're here!

We'd love to connect with you. Fill out the Welcome portion on the back page of the bulletin and drop it in the blue box, or complete our digital connect card (QR code below). Whether you're worshiping with us for the first time or as a regular part of our family, we hope this service will be good for your soul.

In his grace,



Matt Lietzen, Senior Pastor

For Your Kids

Nursery is available for ages 0-2y down the hall from the worship space.

Toddlers' Room is available for ages 3-4y down the hall from the worship space.

Children's Church is available for kids K to 4th grade. Children are dismissed during the giving of the peace and are returned before Communion.

Children 5th Grade and Above are encouraged to worship with their families during the service. Age appropriate worship materials are available at the table near the entrance of the worship space.

Connect with us

We can't wait to reach out and say hello! Take a moment to complete our digital connect card. We will follow up with you during the week.



SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP

We're glad you've joined us today.

Sixth Sunday of Easter | May 10, 2026 | 10:30 a.m.

For Reflection

For where [Death] only was before an executioner at best; Thou art a gardener now, and more, an usher to convey our souls beyond the utmost stars and poles. – *George Herbert*

The sting is lost in Christ, and the honey left for us... Death may kill you, but it cannot hurt you. – *Thomas Manton*

Gathering Hymn* - Praise My Soul The King of Heaven

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To His feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me His praise should sing?
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our fathers in distress.
Praise Him still the same forever,
Slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him, praise Him,
Glorious in His faithfulness.

3. Frail as summer's flower we flourish
Blows the wind and it is gone
But while mortals rise and perish
God endures unchanging on
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise the high eternal One

4. Fatherlike He tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame He Knows.
In His hands He gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise Him, praise Him,
praise Him, praise Him,
Widely as His mercy goes.

5. Angels help us to adore Him;
Ye behold Him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before Him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise Him, praise Him,
Praise with us the God of grace.

Credits: Lyte/Goss

Preparation

With so many distractions vying for our attention, this is a time to calm your heart, read the reflection quotes, and prepare for the service.

The Church Year

Because the good news of Easter can hardly be contained in a single day's celebration, Easter is only the first of fifty days of Eastertide, the "Great Fifty Days" that lead up to Pentecost. This season is designed for extended celebration, for exploring the ramifications of Easter for the redemption of all creation, and for joyful Christian living.

PRAISE

Gathering Hymn

God is a gracious host who initiates worship with an invitation to respond in song.

Words of Entrance

If worship is offering all that we are to all that God is, this is a proclamation of our intention. It is also a challenge to ourselves about what we worship daily.

Words of Entrance - from Psalm 24

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

All: Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle!

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

All: Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

RENEWAL

Confession

Confession is when we are honest about ourselves, each other, and with God. As we admit our misplaced affections, we are called to reorder our lives. Only by being honest with our needs will the good news of grace be significant.

Prayer of Entrance*

Welcome

Confession of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God:

Our Lord God, generous source of every good and perfect gift, shine the light of your grace over our hearts. Yes, Spirit of love and gentleness, in humility we ask your assistance. You know our faults, our failings, our compulsions, the dullness of our understanding, the waywardness of our affections, the stubbornness of our will. When we neglect to practice what we know, visit us with your grace; enlighten our minds, rectify our desires, correct our wanderings, and pardon our omissions, so that by your guidance we may be protected in our faith, and keep a good conscience, and may at length be landed safe in the haven of eternal rest. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- adapted from a prayer of Anselm (1033-1109)

Silent confession of sin

Words of Comfort* 2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

The Maker of heaven and earth.

O Lord, open our lips,

And our mouth will show forth your praise!

Comfort

God never leaves his people in their sin, but he comforts us with his promise of forgiveness in Christ.

Hymns of Gratitude and Praise*

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, glory be to the Son,
Glory be to the Spirit, Three in One.
As it was in the beginning, it will be forever,
Amen. Amen. Amen.

Arr: Digerness

Gloria Patri

The Gloria Patri is one of the oldest Christian hymns, dating back to the fourth century. It highlights our Triune God—one God existing in three persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Every Mother, Every Father

Every mother, every father,
Called to raise up sons or daughters:
May your heart be patient, may your mind be clear,
May our God be with you, and calm your fears.

Credits: Bast, Benedict

Generosity

Gratitude and joyful generosity are the fruit of a grace-transformed life. While we don't pass an offering plate at Res Pres, we do want to create an opportunity for us to respond by giving our time, talents, and resources for the work of the church.

If you're new to Res Pres, we invite you to complete the Welcome card on the back of the bulletin and deposit it in the offering box outside the worship space.

For regular attenders and members, we invite you to give in person or online at respresmsn.org/give.



Expression of Gratitude – Isaiah 25:1

Leader: O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name,

People: for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

The Blessing of the Children – Mark 10:14-16

[Jesus said,] “Let the children come to me; do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it.” And he took them in his arms and blessed them, laying his hands on them.

For Children’s Ministry information, see page 2.

The Peace of Christ*

May the peace of Christ be always with you! | **And also with you!**
Let us offer one another a sign of his peace.

Children Pre-K to 4th grade may be dismissed to Children’s Church.

Announcements

For today’s highlighted announcements, see page 15.

Prayers of the People – Concluded by 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 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. Amen.

Passing the Peace

A long-standing tradition of the church, this is a time when we have the chance to greet one another, regardless of our relationship, as individuals made in God’s image. It is more than a mere greeting — it is an acknowledgement of one’s innate humanity that deserves to be addressed as well as a call to be united despite our differences.

Prayer

We pray because we know we can bring our concerns for ourselves and for others, for the world and for the church, to God.

The Lord’s Prayer

Jesus gave this example in the New Testament (Matthew 6:9-13) to show us how to pray. We use this prayer corporately each week as a reminder.

Scripture Reading* 1 Corinthians 15:50-57

50 I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 51 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. 53 For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. 54 When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

55 “O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord. | **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon - What the Resurrection Means for Death

Fifth sermon in series, Why the Resurrection Still Matters

Rev. Matt Lietzen

Confession of Faith* – The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His 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.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there 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.**

**that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places*

The Great Thanksgiving*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord!

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

All: It is good and right to do so!

Leader: It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

Sermon

The sermon is teaching based on Scripture. This is not just an intellectual function. The role of the sermon is to make real the truths of the gospel. As we see who God is and what he is doing, our hearts are to be affected.

RESPOND

Apostles’ Creed

The Apostles’ Creed is one of the oldest confessional statements in the church, dating back to the late second century. This creed contains the shared core beliefs that Christians have believed throughout all time.

Sanctus

Sanctus is another ancient hymn of the church, dating back to the fifth century. Christians have historically sung this hymn before meeting with Jesus at his table for Communion.

Communion

This practice is a “feast” we have together as a community, remembering and making tangible the promises Christ made to us, and we made to him.

Communion Instructions

Come forward row by row, and use the hand sanitizer if you desire.

Extend your hands to receive the bread from the server.

Note: there is a gluten-free option—just let the server know.

After you receive the bread, move to the next station to receive the cup.

Note: Wine is served on the outer ring, while juice is served in the inner rings.

Deposit the empty cup in the tray on the end and return to your seat.

Sanctus*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow’r and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Arr: Schlabs

Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Invitation to the Table

Words of Institution – from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

Leader: We break bread in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit! And we declare the great mystery of faith:

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

Leader: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

All: Therefore let us keep the feast.

Leader: These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

Distribution of the Bread & Cup

Prayers for Those Not Taking the Lord's Supper

For prayers, see page 14.

Communion Hymn* - Christ Is Risen

1. Let no one caught in sin remain
Inside the lie of inward shame
We fix our eyes upon the cross
And run to Him who showed great love
And bled for us, freely You've bled for us

Refrain:

Christ is risen from the dead
Trampling over death by death
Come awake, come awake
Come and rise up from the grave
Christ is risen from the dead
We are one with Him again
Come awake, come awake
Come and rise up from the grave

2. Beneath the weight of all our sin
You bowed to none but heaven's will
No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown
No burden great can hold You down
In strength You reign
Forever; let Your church proclaim

Refrain

Bridge:

O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come stand in the light
The glory of God has defeated the night
Sing it, o death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come stand in the light
Our God is not dead, He's alive, He's alive

Refrain

Credits: Maher, Fieldes

Communion Prayers

If you are not partaking the Communion meal, use these prayers as a way to guide your thoughts during this time.

If you have questions or want to learn more about the gospel and following Jesus, talk to the pastor or liturgist before you leave today.

Sending Hymn* - How Great Thou Art

1. O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed

Refrain:

Then sings my soul
My Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art
How great Thou art
(2X)

2. When through the woods and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze

Refrain

3. And when I think that God His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

Refrain

4. When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home what joy shall fill my heart
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim my God how great Thou art

Refrain

Credits: Hine

SENDING

Benediction

The benediction is how we close our time of worship. It is not a prayer but rather a blessing with a charge to go beyond our church into the world carrying the hope, joy and love of the gospel.

Doxology*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.

Arr: Ken; Old Hundredth

Benediction* - 2 Corinthians 13:14

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Amen. Thanks be to God!

Worship Throughout the Week

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Read 1 Corinthians 15:50–57. What stands out to you?
2. We're living in a society that is less prepared to deal with death than previous generations. Why do you think that is?
3. Re-read verses 50-53. If someone asked you, "What will the resurrection body actually be like?" — what would you say from this passage? What would you not say?
4. In verses 54-55, Paul is borrowing from Isaiah 25 and Hosea 13. Why do you think he reaches for taunt language rather than just an argument?
5. Paul writes "thanks be to God who gives us the victory" (present tense). In what specific ways are you supposed to be experiencing this victory now, not just at the grave?
6. George Herbert wrote, "Death used to be an executioner, but the gospel has made him just a gardener." If that's true, what changes about how you face your own death? About how you grieve at a Christian funeral?
7. Where in your life this week are you tempted to live as though death has the last word — anxiety about aging, fear of loss, treating this life as all there is? What would it look like to remember the resurrection until that fear loses its grip?

WEEKLY BIBLE READING

Monday: Psalm 37
Tuesday: Jeremiah 31:31-40
Wednesday: Luke 24:13-35
Thursday: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Friday: James 1:22-27
Saturday: 1 Corinthians 15:58

PRAYER

Write down some things you want to pray about this week:

Sermon Discussion Questions

Go deeper with the Bible passage and sermon (either on your own or in a Community Group) by using these sermon questions.

Family Worship Guide

If you have young kids, use these questions from our Children's Church curriculum, *The Biggest Story*, and the *New City Catechism* to have spiritual conversations with your children. If you need help acquiring copies of these resources, let us know by emailing children@respresmsn.org.

Family Worship Guide

Biggest Story Lesson – Acts 17

Bible Truth: **Because the one true God can be known, we should make him known.**

1. Why did the Athenians have an altar to an unknown God? What are some things that Paul shared about God? What's wrong with worshiping lots of different gods?
2. Did everyone who heard Paul preach believe the good news about Jesus? Will everyone whom we tell about Jesus believe the good news? Should we still tell people about Jesus?

New City Catechism – Question 19

Q: Is there any way to escape punishment and be brought back into God's favor?

A: **Yes, God reconciles us to himself by a Redeemer.** (Isaiah 53:10-11)

NOTES

Prayers for Those Not Taking the Lord's Supper

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Help me consider the cost of following you as I think about the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer for Those Wanting Belief: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying the debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I wish to turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Children Observing Communion: Lord Jesus, I do not understand everything about this communion service. But I know that it is good. Jesus, when I feel hungry for the bread, please help me to hunger for you instead. When I wish I could taste the sweetness of the juice, please help me instead to think of the sweetness of your love. Lord Jesus, thank you that your broken body and your blood paid for my sin. I love you Lord. Amen.

Today's Highlighted Announcements:



Out of the Loop?

Are you a regular attendee and want to stay in the know about events, ways to volunteer, prayer requests, and random opportunities for fun and fellowship? Join our Res Pres Slack Channel!



Commissioning Sunday - May 17

10:30 am / 30 Ash St

Is work, school, or life taking you away from Madison? Let us send you with God's blessing! Please take some time to let us know when you're leaving so that we can pray for you during our worship service.



Newcomer Lunch - May 17

12pm / Blue Moon (2535 University Ave)

If you are newer to Res Pres and want to learn more about our church, join us after the worship service on 5/17 for a free lunch! This is a great opportunity to meet Pastor Matt and learn more about becoming a member of Res Pres.



Join a Community Group!

Community Groups are neighborhood-based groups that meet 2-3 times a month for food, fellowship, and formation. Go to respresmsn.org/groups or follow up with the contacts below to get details for each group.

North East Side: Meets on Thursdays at 6:30pm. Contact kepler.grady@gmail.com

Far East Side: Meets on Thursdays at 6:00pm. Contact cait@crescendomadison.com

Near West Side: Meets on Wednesdays at 7:30pm. Contact tessahoffman72@gmail.com

West Side: Meets on Sunday afternoon. Contact will.benish@gmail.com

West Side (2): Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 6:30pm. Contact pastormatt@respresmsn.org

Pursuing a common worship, a common life, and the common good of Madison.

New to Res Pres?

Say Hi: Complete the digital Connect Card (QR code) below - we'd love to hear from you.



Learn More: Visit our website at respresmsn.org or follow us on social media (@[@res_pres_msn](https://twitter.com/res_pres_msn)) to see upcoming events, read staff bios, and discover more of Madison and our community.

Meet Others: Join us on the second Sunday of each month for a Newcomer's Lunch. We typically walk to lunch after the service.

Other Announcements

Common Worship

Sunday Morning Prayer: Meets on the first Sunday of the month from 10:00-10:25am at West High School before the worship service.

Common Life

Join a Community Group: Part of our mission as a church is to help people find life in the gospel in community, where one is seen, known, and loved by others. Groups provide sanctuary from the pressures and anxieties of life in the city and facilitate the formation of new friendships. Community Groups are places where we can be revitalized, prayed for, and strengthened. As God made us for community, we need others to help apply the gospel to our lives.

Common Good

Serve at Res Pres: Serving is a wonderful way to meet others in our church family while actively participating in our mission to be a church not for ourselves, but others. Interested in serving? We need dedicated individuals to join our Children's Ministry, Hospitality, and Facilities Teams. If you are interested in learning more and volunteering, please reach out to Emily.

Meet Our First International Missions Partner!

Austin and Rachel Kettle are joining a church planting team in Brussels, Belgium this summer with a goal to plant a new church in the city. Check out the newsletter to learn more about them!

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Get connected to our partner ministry,
Reformed University Fellowship!

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