

Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

June 28, 2020

Prayers of the Church: (*RLC Members)

Ongoing Prayers

*Diane Cuper	*Eve Sommers	*David Brooks		
*Anne Altieri	*Charlotte Raines	Stephanie Samuels		
*Eric Hammergren	*Wes Wyatt	Ava Conklin		
*Helen Puza	Frank Grace	Helen Wolf		
*Anita Moore	*Vern Ebert	Dennis		
*Jackson Buser	Shirley Fanger	Lois Keiper		
*John Shaeffer	Chobanian Family	*Aaron		
*Marcus	LaVerne	Bradley B.		
Maureen B.	Darcey			
*Luigi Moscatello, Mother and Family in Italy				
Mike Zimmerman, Son of Mark and Sally, US Navy Deployed Spain				

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Ongoing Cancer Treatments

Jeff Marshall	Carol & I	Frank	Don	Craig	Rachel
*Mike Allen	Anne Pri	ce	Bill	Rob	Rene
*Gary Ferro	Angie Pri	ice	Beth	Hope	Jack
*Fuad Rihani	Linda Gi	lson	Alison Zi	ieglmeier	Jen E.
Carol Diliberto	Karen	Sandy	Mary	Karen O	wen
Harold Krause	Hazel	Dave	Sheri	Roseanne	e Candiello

For Expectant Moms

Cheri	Sara	Whitley	Ashley	Jenna	Kalyn	Lauren
Ali	Molly	Tika	*Megan	Amy	Shannon	Kandi

Those Prayed For on June 21st

For the Sick

- Fuad (prayers also for wife, Kathy and family)
- Emil, Jenny Grayson, Loucas, Pat, Jaret, Else
- Those with Covid-19. Remembering Alfonzo and Bob today.
- Those undergoing cancer treatments. Remembering Margie Galloway today.

For Those Recovering from Surgeries, Medical Procedures

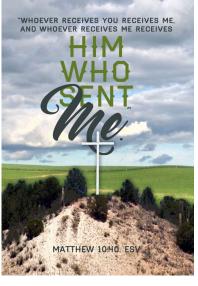
• Caroll (knee replacement), Vicki, Barb

For Those Who Mourn

- Family of Paul Kaminski, requested by Sue Campau
- Family of Joani Hagenbuch, requested by Karen Ferro
- Family of Elizabeth Jones, requested by Ed and Anne Altieri
- Sally and Alex, mourning loss of husband and father, requested by Dawn Leister
- Tina Ashworth, mourning loss of uncle, James

Prayers for Provision, Peace, Strength, Patient Endurance

- Healthcare workers and first responders
- Expectant mothers and fathers
- Jordan, Lauren, and their premature daughter, Madison Louise
- Chris serving in the military in Korea
- Those suffering from mental illness and their families
- Those traveling



As followers of Jesus we are challenged to give Him our full allegiance. That may cause turmoil in our lives touched by sin; but there are remarkable promises attached to that challenge. For some, peace is artificial and involves covering over realities that need to be addressed. Simply saying, "I am at peace," does not guarantee the full and true shalom

(peace) that God plans for His children. As part of His Ministry, Jesus is the sword that cuts through the façade of false peace and bring us true peace with God, the Source of total wellbeing for time and for eternity.

Prayers Cont'd -

Prayers for Lord's Wisdom, Guidance, and Strength for the Health and Well-Being of People They Serve

- Our US President, NC Governor, Congressional Reps, and local Wake County officials
- Pastor Jonathan and Juli, Vicar Alan, church and school staffs, council, and area pastors
- University and school administrators planning for upcoming school year

Thanking God Today

- Our fathers and grandfathers
- Successful surgery for Eli. Home now and recovering.
- Worship and Holy Communion in our parking lot and our servant volunteers
- Technology that keeps us connected as church family, allows families to gather remotely for memorial services
- Sale of a home
- Sara Wagner, Charlotte (improving health)
- The assurance of God's comfort and peace

Our Missionaries

- Mark and Megan Mantey, Uganda
- Shauen and Krista Trump, Kenya
- JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia

June 24, 2020

Dear friends,

Greetings to you all. The crucified and risen Son of God is with us always! What comfort to know that a very special peace the world does not know is a peace we can always find in Jesus!

By now you probably heard that North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper has extended the Phase 2 reopening measures already in place across our state. Please show your care and concern for others by wearing a mask when you are out in public places and are unable to social distance. The sooner coronavirus conditions in our state improve, the sooner we will all be able to get back to normal--or something like it!

Last Sunday we enjoyed a beautiful morning outside at 10:30 again. This coming Sunday, June 28, we will have our last in-person 10:30 outdoor service for a while. If only this beautiful Sunday morning weather could last all summer...but that is not likely to happen. We invite you to come out one more time and enjoy the main elements of the service (especially the sung portions that can be sung at full volume from the comfort and safety of your car) including Holy Communion, which you can receive in person, together with the members of your church family.

At 9:00 AM we will once again make Holy Communion available by live stream for all who are unable to worship with us in person. I've updated the instructions for receiving Holy Communion at home and attached them again here, in case you missed the attachment in May.

Finally, please don't forget that you can always sign up for in-person small group reception of the Lord's Supper in the church sanctuary at the following link: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d4dabae2eabff2-holy</u>. If you would like for one of us to commune you or your family in your home, please contact me with that request, and I will schedule you. I can be reached at my email: <u>jonathan.blanke@rlcary.org</u>.

We are grateful for the many people who make it possible for the ministry of Resurrection Lutheran Church to go on. As I saw on a church sign recently: "The building is closed, but church is open as usual." We remember one another in our prayers and seek ways to be open and engaged with one another and the world as the peace of God in Christ empowers us.

Shalom in Jesus, Pastor Jonathan



Baptized at the Sunday 9:00 am service is

Caleb Nathan Jahnke born May 12, 2020,

son of Nathan Joseph Jahnke and Faith Elizabeth Jahnke.

Godparents are Matthew Jahnke and Hope Winings.

May God's blessing be upon Caleb Nathan as he grows in his baptismal grace.

Stay Connected Through Online Zoom Meetings!

Prayer Community - Mondays, 11:00 am Contact: Deb Oesterling

Men's Ministry - Mondays, 7:00 pm Contact: Tom Gebbia (<u>mens-ministry@rlcary.org</u>)

Women's Bible Study - Monday, June 29, 7:00 pm Contact: Dawn Leister

Bagel Bunch - Tuesdays, 7:30 am Contact: Dan Shaltanis

Pastor's Bible Class of Weekly Readings - Tuesdays, 10:30 am Contact: Pastor Jonathan (<u>jonathan.blanke@rlcary.org</u>)

Through RCB, join the group you are interested in or email the group leader prior to the start time to receive instructions on how to join the online meeting.

Questions? Contact the church office (<u>office@rlcary.org</u>, 919-851-7248).

Incoming Prayer Requests Received as of Friday, June 26, 2020

Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. – Hebrews 4:16

For the sick:

- Emil, Vern, Mary, Teri, Karen, Marty, Else
- Baby Madison (continued strength and growth)
- Those ill with Covid-19. Remembering Debbie and Jill today.
- Upcoming surgeries -- Jaime O., Louis

For those recovering from surgeries and/or medical procedures:

Sandy M., Jaret

For those who mourn:

- The family of Fuad Rihani
- The family of Jonathan Worden

Prayers for provision, peace, strength, and patient endurance for:

- Andrew and Amy Tharpe awaiting the birth of their daughter
- Dan and Lois Haertling need a buyer for their home in Arizona

Prayers for the Lord's wisdom, guidance, and strength for the health and well-being of the people they serve:

- Our US President, NC Governor, Congressional representatives, and local Wake County officials
- Pastor Jonathan and Juli, Vicar Alan, church and school staffs, council, and area pastors •
- RLS and RLP leadership and advisory boards planning for the 2020-2021 school year. Praying especially for Tom Kolb, Rosie Creasy, and Diane Hooper.

Thanking God today for:

- Good test results for a mother
- Travel and vacation time

Lord Jesus, thank You for Your abiding Presence and saving grace. All is in Your Hands. We trust You are working all things according to Your good plan and purposes, and with that trust and confidence, we release these prayers to You. In Your Holy Name, Amen.



– RESURRECTION —

Prayer Community

An Online Gathering of the Heart.

Log in to RCB, search Prayer Community in Groups, and click Join.

The Lord Almighty is with us; The God of Jacob is our fortress. — Psalm 46:7

RLC Sunday Schedule Congregational Discussion

Please review the attached flyer with information and a survey.

The same survey is also available online at the following link. Everyone should read the flyer **before** they fill out the survey. <u>https://teamgresham.typeform.com/to/noZZNmSe</u>

Since we can't hold a congregational forum, Zoom calls have been set up for the congregation to talk with the Focus Group. There will not be a presentation, these are just opportunities for dialogue. The links, meeting IDs, and passwords are included in the attached flyer. The remaining meetings are **Saturday**, June 27 from 10:00-11:30 am and **Sunday**, June 28 from 4:00-5:30 pm.

Thanks! Teresa Gresham

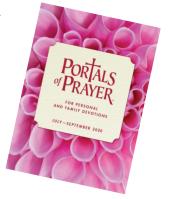
Alan Eckard Memorial Donation

Alan was a longtime member of the Tuesday Morning Bagel Bunch. We all enjoyed his wit and commentary. He was a major supporter of our school. To remember and recognize his love of Resurrection Lutheran School, the Bagel Buch has made a special donation to RLS in memory of Alan.

The new Portals of Prayer is available!

You may pick one up at the 10:30 am outdoor service.

If you prefer to have one mailed, please contact the church office at <u>office@rlcary.org</u> or 919-851-7248.



Men's Ministry

We have started periodic meetings in person (parking lot circles). We enjoyed our first one and will have another on **Thursday, July 2 at 6:30 pm** in the RLC parking lot.

Please bring a mask, camp chair, snack and beverage for personal consumption. We will social distance the chairs.

Per requests, we will maintain the Monday Zoom calls.

For more information, contact Tom Gebbia at mens-ministry@rlcary.org.

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

will be meeting via Zoom on June 29 at 7:00 pm.

We will be using one-session studies from LWML/Lutheran Women in Mission.

We invite all interested women of RLC to join us! Please contact Dawn Leister through RCB or the church office to receive a Zoom invitation.

Small Groups

Resurrection Lutheran Church is open to small groups desiring to meet throughout the week on a Monday, Wednesday, or Friday between 9 AM and 3 PM.

If the people of your small group comprise 10 or fewer, are generally able to maintain a distance of 6 feet between any participants who are not members of the same family, and can commit to wearing face covering, then we invite you to contact the church office to set up a time and reserve a space. As always, we ask that members with underlying health conditions placing them at higher risk stay home.

As occupancy limits and social distancing guidelines change, we look forward to expanding the use of our building.

Contact the church office by email at <u>office@rlcary.org</u> or call 919-851-7248.

"Our Light" – Congregational Highlights

Even though we cannot gather in the sanctuary or the Family Life Center, the ministry of RLC continues. In so many ways, we are staying connected in worship, Bible Study, Prayer, and in service to each other. We continue to be thankful for Pastor Jonathan's calm and positive leadership guiding us through this uncertain season. In addition, we continue to learn of the many ways the RLC community has come together to support and encourage one another:

- 1. We have made a successful conversion to Live Streaming. Special thanks to all those in front of and behind the camera to make this programming possible.
- Thank you to the Lay Ministry Standing Committee for its work in helping to organize our July services in the parking lot. Thanks to all those volunteers who come out early to make sure everything is properly setup and all those who help put everything away following the service. Our Facilities Manager, Garret Nigg, comes in early to get all electronic equipment up and running.
- 3. Resurrection Lutheran School (RLS) completed its school year by holding an outdoor graduation event. It took a lot of planning and it showed in how the graduates were able to be honored.
- 4. Resurrection Lutheran Preschool (RLP) utilized a highly creative atmosphere for the students and the RLP to see each other a final time before summer. The "Bye-Bye-Drive-by" features many ways to connect with students, including special signs, table decorations of gifts, pool noodles, and many other fun things.
- 5. Have you noticed the pictures and brief bio comments in our church publications associated with youth who graduated from High School? Thanks, Jenny, for making this possible.
- 6. Our prayer community continues to gain in the number of prayers being offered for our church members, but also for extended family and friends. Thanks to Deb Oesterling for coordinating all these prayers and publishing a weekly summary.
- 7. The Service Change Taskforce continues to meet and is moving forward in helping us assess possible alternatives to our current worship schedule. Please take a moment to respond to the survey they have sent out. Thanks to Teresa Gresham and Alan Shaw for their leadership.
- 8. We continue to be thankful for the continued member financial support. Many have taken the step to increase their offering during our current situation.
- 9. Thank you to volunteers, Ginny and Sarah Bastante, for processing all the various donations being sent in or dropped off to RLC each week. Janet Bowling continues to volunteer by coming in weekly and keeping our bills paid.
- 10. Special thanks to our Quilters and Crafters who have made over 2,000 masks which have been distributed to our seniors and other individuals and organizations.
- 11. Our Middle School Ignite youth group continues to find ways to support members and our community. Members have been collecting non-perishable food items that are delivered to the local food bank. (Look for a special church announcement about a food donation opportunity in July.) Also, another project has been hand making "Sunshine Cards" for our shut-ins, in need, and older congregational members. They are intended to provide an inspirational note inside to add some sunshine to someone's day.

Church Council

RLC Members in Ministerial Studies

How blessed is RLC to have 4 congregational members in ministerial studies beginning this Fall. We wanted to answer the questions of how RLC is supporting them and what else can members do to support them.

Alan Shaw, currently our Vicar, is enrolled in our Synod's SMP program. He is in his second year, and we are looking forward to his pastoral ordination mid-2021. Alan's education is supported through a grant from the S.E. District and is supplemented by funding from the Pastor Paul Kibler Endowment Fund.

Micah Drengler recently completed his Vicarage and will be returning to Concordia Seminary for his final year. RLC has supported Micah's seminary expenses for the first three years of his seminary training. For our new 2020-21 budget, we are proposing that we continue this practice by providing \$3,000. If members wish to independently support Micah, contributions can be made in Micah's name to:

Concordia Seminary 801 Seminary Place St. Louis, MO 63105

Harrison Hulse and Ross Bowen will be starting their ministerial training this Fall. Harrison will be starting a pre-ministry program at Concordia, Mequon, WI. Ross will be focusing on a DCE program at Concordia, Irvine, CA. The Council has approved a \$4,000 contribution towards each program, using funds from the Next 40 Ministry account. In addition, if members want to contribute individually, we will be setting up a dedicated account and will award proceeds on an annual basis. Contributions may be made to the Hulse-Bowen Fund.

Join Online Bible Study!

The Gospel of Mark - Wednesdays, 6:30 pm

This online study is facilitated through Zoom, after you register with <u>www.rightnowmedia.org</u> at no cost currently, with Mindy Stephani.

Please sign-up for the classes with the church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248).

Looking for a family outing?

Tate Apiaries, a Christian family owned business, offers "you pick" blueberries, blackberries, lavender, and honey!

They are located at 7424 Turner Fish Road, Willow Springs NC and can be reached at 336-972-3583.

- MaryAnn Unger

Life For Uganda

We're thrilled to announce two new ways to give!

We're so pleased to share that Life For Uganda is enrolled in Thrivent Choice[®] and is now listed in the <u>Thrivent Choice</u> <u>online catalog</u>. Thrivent Choice is a member-advised program that allows eligible members to recommend where Thrivent distributes part of its charitable outreach funds each year. As members, you can direct Choice Dollars[®] to the organization(s) you select. Just find and select us in the catalog, follow the instructions from there.

Not a Thrivent member? No problem! You can visit us on the <u>donations page</u> of our newly launched website -

www.LifeForUganda.org - to send a one-time gift or set up a recurring donation. It's very simple and will take you just a few minutes to complete!



BUILD WELLS & BUILD SCHOOLS & BUILD LIVES



Reggie McNeal is the guest leader for the SED summer leadership conference that takes place July 30-August 1.

This year's outreach conference comes to you in a different way, but with the same focus of resourcing leaders and members in connecting people with Jesus. The FREE Conference will take place in three online sessions:

Thursday, July 30, 7:00-8:30 pm Friday, July 31, 7:00-8:30 pm Saturday, August 1, 9:00-10:30 am

Best of all, Reggie will challenge us to see that when we pray "Thy Kingdom Come" we are praying for God to be in our lives, our neighborhoods, our world. He writes "The COVID-19 pandemic has catapulted the church into the world of the new spiritual realities of the digital age." Are you prepared for this new moment that will enable us to connect people with Christ in new ways?

Make plans to join this free conference that comes to your home on July 30-August 1.

Registration is FREE, but you must register in advance to receive the log-on information at se.lcms.org/event/2020-07-30-on-line-summer-outreach-conference-roc

The Southeastern District (SED) is a regional district of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod. The 216 churches and 79 schools are located in Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, District of Columbia, North and South Carolina. The SED office is located in Alexandria, Virginia.

Resurrection Service Project (RSP)

assists elderly, infirmed, those in financial difficulty, others in our community with home maintenance and repairs.



Contact Tim Hiteshew through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, <u>office@rlcary.org</u>).

Job Opportunity

Grace Lutheran Church (Durham) is seeking a part-time office assistant (20 hours/week).

Duties include preparation of worship bulletins and weekly and monthly newsletters. Experience in developing websites and social media required. For more information: <u>www.gracelutheranchurch.net/employment-at-grace</u> or email <u>Imadmin@gracelutheranchurch.net</u>.

Children and Family Ministry

Questions you may have regarding any of these programs or events can be directed to the Co-Directors of Children and Family Ministry, <u>MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org</u> or <u>Lea.Webb@rlcary.org</u>.



We are so excited to announce that Vacation Bible School will be ONLINE this year!

Instead of you bringing your kids to VBS, we're bringing VBS to your kids!

This summer, we will be using a quarantine-friendly VBS called BOLT. With minimal preparation, easy-to-follow instructions, and a video that leads you and your kids step-by-step through each of the 3 days, BOLT is designed for you to perform with your family at home. So simple!

We'll be sending you more information as we get closer to August. In the meantime, get your family excited about BOLT. This is going to be SO MUCH FUN!

Questions? Contact lea.webb@rlcary.org.

Time to get "Flat Jesus" ready for vacation!

Is your family traveling soon? Did you know that Jesus likes to go along for a family fun adventure, too.

Now that school is really coming to an end and your family may be taking a trip soon, why not take "Flat Jesus". He doesn't need a big suitcase, or take up much space in the car...he just needs to get "dressed". All you need to do is print out the sample, or create one yourself, decorate "Flat Jesus" with markers or crayons - add your personal touch.

Now "Flat Jesus" is ready to tag along and share in your adventures! You can take "Flat Jesus" to meet new friends, see Grandma/Grandpa, to the beach, to the mountains, or even camping. "Jesus" wants to go along to share in the fun and spread some love and happy cheers to others!



Don't forget to take pictures and document your memories along the way. And, when you get home, share your "Flat Jesus" journey with Ms. Lea at <u>lea.webb@rlcary.org</u>. Then you can look for your story to be documented in the RLC weekly announcements. Prizes will be rewarded.



First Communion Sunday, August 23, 9:30 am Worship Followed by Refreshments in the Fellowship Hall Confirmation Sunday Sunday, August 30, 9:30 am Worship

Followed by Dessert Banquet in the Fellowship Hall for Confirmands and Their Families Only

Student Ministry

Breakaway (9th-12th grades)

NO ZOOM OR CONNECTION CAFÉ until July 8!

Seniors (newly graduated), Save the Date! July 29 at 7:00 pm (Last Warehouse)

I am taking a vacation before events start happening in July. If anyone needs anything, feel free to reach out through GroupMe, text, or email. I will be back in the office on July 6. See you in July!

Joyfully His, Ms. Jenny, High School Youth Director - <u>jenny.piontek@rlcary.org</u>

Ignite (6th-8th grades)

Joke of the Week/Crazy Fact of the Week Congratulations to our Grand Prize Winner, Anthony Barton!

I miss you all and can't wait until we can be together! Stay safe and healthy!

JoyFully, Ms. LeAnn, Middle School Youth Director, <u>leann.trautman@rlcary.org</u>



Please share with your friends, neighbors, family, and co-workers: RLP is still enrolling for the 2020-21 preschool year.



RLP provides a <u>balance of academic</u> <u>and social opportunities</u> by means of our 'learning through play' philosophy.



A developmentally ageappropriate curriculum is provided, integrating Jesus' teachings within the daily schedule.

Resurrection Lutheran PRESCHOOL



2020-21 Serving children

2-years-old thru 5-years-old

919.851.7270

IGNITE - Middle School Youth FOOD Drive July 1st - July 15th We need VOUL Benefitting Western Wake Crisis Ministry & NC Food Bank

IGNITE - Middle School Youth Group has individually been collecting non-perishable items during the past couple of months for the local food banks, but the need is great so we could use your help.

How to help....

Donate non-perishable food items or monetary donation (attn: IGNITE Food Drive) Drop off in buckets outside church office on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays (9:30-3:00) or we can schedule a pickup on your porch (no contact pickup) Please contact LeAnn Trautman for question or pickup. leann.trautman@rlcary.org

Baking products (flour, sugar, oil) Canned beans Canned fruit Canned pasta (Chef Boyardee) Canned protein (tuna, chicken) Canned vegetables Cereal Dried beans Dried pasta Macaroni and cheese Pasta sauce (Ragu, Hunts) Peanut butter Ramen noodles Rice Soup Tomato products (diced, whole, sauce) Toilet paper

Please know that when in-person worship services stop our offering income decreases. We are grateful for all who are able to maintain financial contributions to our congregation!

There are three ways to make your offering:

- Mail to Resurrection Lutheran Church, 100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary, NC 27518
- Online Giving through our church website at <u>www.rlcary.org/ministries/online-giving</u>
- Prefer mobile banking? There's an APP for that! Download the "GivePlus+" APP, search for Resurrection Lutheran Church, transfer funds from your checking or savings account to RLC.

Questions? Contact <u>finance@rlcary.org</u>.



2020-2021 ADMISSIONS

We continue to accept applications for Jr. Kindergarten through 8th Grade for the upcoming school year.

In-Person Tours By Appointment

Contact admissions@rlscary.org.

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, June 21, 9:00 am: 239 views

Most households consist of more than one person, so each view probably indicated at least 2 people, if not more. What a way to share God's love during this time!

Outdoor Service

Sunday, June 21, 10:30 am: n/a

General Fund Giving and Spending - May 2020

	Current Month	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$101,880.24	\$1,116,396.65
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 85,719.42</u>	<u>\$1,110,702.22</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ \$ 16,160.82	\$ 5,694.43
Last Week's Offerings		\$21,213.80
Average Weekly Giving for 20	19/20	\$23,258.26
Average Weekly Giving Budge	eted for 2019/20	\$25,153.85

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Weekly Announcements Deadline: Thursday Submit to <u>Susan.Moore@RLCary.org</u>.