

*Anne Altieri

*Vern Ebert

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The Holy Trinity

Prayers of the Church: (*RLC Members)

Ongoing Prayers

*Diane Cuper *Eve Sommers *David Brooks *Charlotte Raines *Eric Hammergren *Anita Moore *John Shaeffer *Aaron *Marcus *Sandy Nigg Michael Flannery *Helen Campbell Marie Bruce *Lena Licciardi Marc & Elizabeth Langefeld's Baby Adoption

Ongoing Cancer Treatments

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*Mike A	llen	Anne Price	*Gary Ferro	Angie Price
Alison Z	Zieglmeier	Carol Diliberto	Roseanne Candiello	Jim Metz
Paul	Sheri	Carol Pfitzinger	Janice Sommers	Fernley Wagner
*Doug S	Spitz	Jackie	Kathy Siemon	Joe Krupsky
Scott Br	inkley	Pete Brown	*Elaine Wood	*Bill Xenakis

For Expectant Moms

*Holly	Molly	Leah	*Stacy	Sara	Maria	Brittany
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Those Prayed For on May 23rd

Thanking God Today

- Mette's F. Recovery, Family, Friends, RLC, 2021 College Graduates
- Preston's 1st Birthday and Baptism
- Safe travel
- Judy's good test results ("Terri Nance's mom)
- Beautiful weather and outdoor gatherings
- Candace Moore and *Chris Johanson, retiring teachers from RLS
- Concordia Sem grads, Pastor Zachery Sarrault, Pastor Micah Drengler

For the Sick

- Shirley, Justin, Red, Brian, Tim, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Anne, AnnMarie, Timmy, Tammy, Paul, Tim, Lena, Daniel, Elizabeth, Janice, Suzie, Ken, Herman, Gavin, Ali, Jack, Evelyn, Josh, Pete, Katie, Dave, Eli, Abby
- People of India Suffering with Covid
- All with cancer/leukemia, *Doug Spitz, Janice Sommers (*Eve's daughter), Fernley Wagner (*Dawn Leister's dad), Scott Brinkley, Pete Brown, Kathy Siemon (RLS teacher), Chris McLaughlin, *Kathy Martin, *Bill Xenakis
- Those awaiting results of medical tests and upcoming procedures, especially *Charlotte

For Those Recovering From Surgeries and/or Procedures

*Lena Licciardi, *Daisy Morris, *Grace Stephanoff

For Those Who Mourn

- Family mourning the death of a son
- Family of Burgess (*Sue Campau's Sister-In-Law)
- Tom Striker (*Susan Striker's brother-in-law and *Emma's uncle)

For Protection, Wisdom, and Discernment

- Those searching for jobs and new job paths, especially the *Kopala family
- Lowry family

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- Those struggling with mental health, isolation, and loneliness, especially those living alone or in long term care
- Elaine Bostick, in hospice (*Ron & Carol Bostick's mother)
- Families facing divorce and other family struggles



Scripture teaches that there is One God. It also reveals that God is Three Persons in His One Being. In the waters of Holy Baptism, we are permanently bound into the Holy Trinity. We

invoke God's Triune Name when we gather for worship. We confess the Triune Name of God in the text of the ancient creeds. In our worship, we celebrate the Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Our Triune God has graciously planned for our salvation. In His wisdom, God has taken into account our sin, provided a plan to win salvation for us by grace, and has delivered it to us through faith in Jesus Christ. God has carefully revealed to us this New Life in Christ; and empowered us, through the Holy Spirit, to live a life reflecting the calling we have received.



Beginning this weekend, May 30, we will offer three in-person Sunday morning worship services:

8:00 am - Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

9:30 am - Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 am - Praise Worship in the Family Life Center



Flowers placed on the altar in honor of their 31st wedding anniversary by Diane and Robert Hoffmeister.

May 30, 2021

Pastor's Corner for Week of May 30 - June 5



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It won't be long before summer vacations are underway and everyone begins to hit the road. Some of you reading this letter will not ONLY be heading out of town for a couple of weeks--you've already made plans to begin a new adventure in another place far away from the place you've been calling home. I remember at least two times in life just before a big move (first to college and then to a new job far away), feeling excited and anxious all at the same time. What an appropriate focus for this Holy Trinity Sunday, a day we find ourselves beside the prophet Isaiah in the temple just prior to his launch into a new vocation (see Isaiah 6:1-8). Isaiah was afraid. In the presence of the Almighty God he saw himself as out of place. Without the full complement of the Trinity, sinners like Isaiah (and all of us) would never be able to stand in God's presence--let alone be sent to serve a world in need. But the angel who would "cover" (literally...verse 7) Isaiah's guilt was a preview of the Suffering Servant Jesus, about whom Isaiah would later prophesy. By Jesus' suffering and death, sin would be taken away once and for all! And so, by the mercy of God who takes care of sin, and by the Spirit who reveals the will of the Father, Isaiah and all who stand before the God of Israel are given to answer the call "whom shall I send?" with the words "Here I am!" The task would not be easy. Even Isaiah had misgivings. But as God does for all who are called, He remains close at hand, readily supplying His ever-sufficient grace wherever His people journey and no matter what challenges they may face.

Holy Trinity Sunday is an opportunity to do so much more than confess head knowledge about the Triune God. It is a chance to be sent by God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit...with all the tools for the job the Triune God provides. Join us this weekend as we celebrate the mystery of the God who is One in Three Persons. Together with those graduating from college or university-- as well as those who are finding new ways to volunteer and serve in their community--we, together with Isaiah, respond in faith: "Here I am!"

Here's some new information--as well as what I hope are helpful reminders--for this week:

The following guidelines for worship will be put in place this weekend (May 29-30):

- There will be three worship services on May 30 at 8, 9:30, and 11 AM (Holy Communion at 11 AM only), followed by the opportunity for Small Group (10 or fewer) Holy Communion at 12:30 PM. To attend in person for any service, please sign up here via the link for the service you choose. (Note that Small Group Holy Communion will not be available June 6, due to the Voters' Meeting that day.)
- Social distancing for all aspects of worship beginning May 29 (except for the reception of Communion elements at the communion rail) will not be required. Limited reserved seating in both the sanctuary and Family Life Center will be available for those who wish to maintain social distancing.
- Masks during worship will no longer be required for all who are fully vaccinated. (Activities specifically involving children such as Vacation Bible School will, at this time, require the use of a mask for ages 5 and up so as to protect our unvaccinated population.)
- Worship services will continue to be livestreamed at 8 and 11 AM.
- Those preparing and serving Communion will continue to wear masks and gloves, for now. Please know that those distributing wine and communion wafers to RLC worshippers are fully vaccinated.
- Activity bags will be available for our youngest worshippers. We ask that families desiring these materials pick them up and return them upon entering and leaving the sanctuary/Family Life Center.

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- We ask that offerings continue to be submitted electronically or placed in offering plates on tables near exits by those who are worshipping with us in person.
- Use of the nursery will remain on hold for regular worship services, for now.

Beginning this weekend, the schedule for Holy Communion will change. The change allows us to live stream worship content at 8 and 11 without two services of Holy Communion on the same morning. Starting this weekend, Holy Communion will be offered...

- Every Saturday at 6 PM
- Every first and third Sunday, at 8 AM
- Every second and fourth Sunday, at 9:30 AM
- Every second, fourth, and fifth Sunday, at 11 AM.

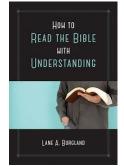
In addition to the new mask and social-distancing policy initiated this weekend, please note the following dates:

- June 6: Youth-led worship service and recognition of RLC graduating high school seniors at the 11 AM service;
- June 6: Voters' Meeting (hybrid format) starting at 1 PM. (You may attend either in-person or via Zoom. <u>To sign up for in-person attendance inside the Family Life Center, please click here.</u>)
- June 27: Ordination and Installation of Pastor Alan Shaw (at 4 PM).
- July 18: Ordination and Installation of Pastor Zachery Sarrault.

We've been seeing more and more of you over the last few weeks! But that activity also brings about a challenge: we are in need of worship volunteers. Even if you have never ushered, greeted folks at the door, read a Bible verse, or assisted with communion distribution, I invite you to be in touch with us so that we can train you for any one of these roles and add you to our regular rotation. Interested parties should reach out to our Lay Ministry Standing Committee Chair, Mr. Mike Hahne, here.

If you are interested in either leading or facilitating a Sunday-morning Bible study at RLC for adults, either individually or as a part of a team, <u>please let me know by sending me an email at this address</u>. Even if you do not choose to lead/facilitate a study for adults but would like to offer input into the types of studies offered, I invite your feedback.

And whether or not you'd like to lead a small group or general Bible study this fall, I invite you to check out my summer class on Reading the Bible for Understanding. Let's try gathering in-person, but if you are interested in taking part and are unable to attend in-person, please let me know and I'll look into the possibility of making the class available virtually also. The class will meet Wednesday evenings at 6:15 PM, starting June 16 and ending August 4. You can register for the class at office@rlcary.org. The book (available through Concordia Publishing House) costs around \$15.00.



Wednesday evenings Bible at RLC will continue with my Christian doctrine class, "This Is the Church" (starting at 7:30 PM). Again, let's try to gather in person. The class will begin June 16 and go through July 21. Our textbook for "This Is the Church" is the Bible...with Luther's Small Catechism as a roadmap.

This is a great class not only for newcomers to RLC, but also as review for parents of RLC 8th graders going through their final year of confirmation instruction next year. If you'd like to take part, please sign up here and stop by RLC to get a free copy of the 2017 catechism.

On this upcoming Memorial Day weekend we of course give thanks to God for the freedoms we enjoy in our country...but we can never forget those who have labored on behalf of those freedoms and laid down their very lives for them as the men and women of the United States Armed Forces. Giving thanks for the sacrifice of those who have demonstrated a love for us beyond which there is none greater (John 15:13), we support our servicemen and women (and their families) with our prayers and our more tangible gratitude, too. A blessed and safe Memorial Day weekend for all...

Shalom in Jesus, Pastor Jonathan

Welcome to RLC, Zach and Kelsey!

We are pleased to welcome seminarian Zachery Sarrault as our new Associate Pastor! Those who joined the Zoom meeting had a chance to briefly meet Zach and his wife Kelsey after Call Day at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. They are just as excited to join us in ministry here as we are to welcome them!

Here is a brief letter of greeting from Zach:

Hey Resurrection Family!

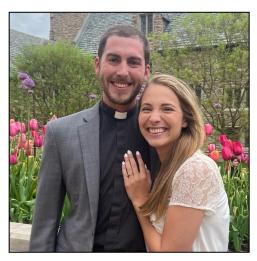
Kelsey and I are thrilled at the announcement of our call to your congregation! With all the emotions that have bombarded us over the past few hours, excitement and joy have been dominating! We are both from Michigan, but spent our vicarage at Hope in Wake Forest, so we know a little about the area and are excited to be coming back.

Just a little about us as we prepare to finish up work and school in St. Louis and move out to Cary. Kelsey and I met in undergrad at Concordia University Ann Arbor, where I graduated as an English major and Kelsey majored in Family Life Children's Ministry. Before we got married in January 2019, Kelsey worked for three years at King of Kings Lutheran Church in Omaha, Nebraska.

We are both addicted to reading, with more books than are good for any 26-year-old, but we make do! With the long summers in North Carolina, I am hoping to find some good fishing holes that are unfrozen for the vast majority of the year!

We are beyond excited to be joining the ministry at Resurrection! After talking with Pastor Blanke, it sounds like God has been and is doing some great things at your congregation. We cannot wait to learn more about you and serve side-by-side before long!

Your brother in Christ, Zach Sarrault



Women's Ministries of RLC is inviting all women who would like to join us in planning activities and events for the women of RLC now that we can begin being more active again. We are also hoping to restructure Women's Ministries and are seeking interested women to help with this process.

Please call Cynthia Wyse at 919-244-9639 on weekends or after 7:00 pm on weekdays, if interested in hearing more information.

Volunteers Needed

Chair Team volunteers are needed for the 11:00 am Praise Worship service starting in June. Teams will be setting up chairs before service and putting away chairs after service.

Contact the church office (<u>office@rlcary.org</u>, 919-851-7248), if you would like to volunteer or need more information.

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Join us online for worship <u>live</u> Sunday at 8:00 am and 11:00 am!

Connect through our YouTube channel at youtube.com/ResurrectionLutheranChurchCaryNC or through our website at rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship.

RLC Congregational Voter's Meeting June 6, 2021 – 1:00 pm

Topics:

- RLC 2021-22 Budget Presentation/Approval
- RLS and RLP 2021-22 Budget Presentation/ Approval

Notes:

This will be a hybrid meeting, online and in-person.

Please review the attached documents for more details.

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>).

Statements of Contribution for the first trimester of 2021 are available in your church mailbox.

If you prefer to have yours sent by email or postal, contact <u>finance@rlcary.org</u> or call 919-851-7248, x 36.

We are grateful for all who are able to maintain financial contributions to our congregation!

There are four ways to make your offering:

- Place in offering plate as you exit the in-person worship service
- 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>
- 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>.

Stay Connected Through Online Zoom Meetings!

Prayer Community - Mondays, 11:00 am Contact: Barb Shimmel

Men's Ministry - Mondays, 7:00 pm *No meeting on May 31 Contact: Tom Gebbia (<u>mens-ministry@rlcary.org</u>)

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).



Veterans Lunch Crew

We will meet **Thursday, June 3** at **12:00 pm** at O'Charley's, near WakeMed Hospital in Cary.

We are excited to get the group started again! Questions? Contact Marty Stephani through RCB.

Men's Outdoor Breakfast - Saturday, June 5

Bring a camp chair as we gather for a men's outdoor biscuit and beverage breakfast. We will say grace and eat at 8:00, Pastor Jonathan will lead us in message starting around 8:30 am. There will be a variety of biscuits with coffee, water, and juice available.

We will meet at the fire pit in the 3rd row of the church parking lot.

Contact: Tom Gebbia (mens-ministry@rlcary.org)



Bible Study

Mark Schroeder, Southeastern District Facilitator, is inviting members at Circuit 13W churches to a 6 week Zoom Bible Study of

Luke 15 and Haggai. The studies will be emphasizing God's invitation for us to join Him in his mission to reach out to the world with His love.

The sessions will **begin on Monday, June 21**, and continue for 6 consecutive Monday evenings at 7:00 pm. After the 6 weeks, the participants will decide how or if they want to proceed with strengthening their commitment to mission and outreach. Take the invitation to God in Prayer.

If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Ron Bostick through RCB or the church office (<u>office@rlcary.org</u>, 919-851-7248).

The Zoom invitation will be sent to those who want to be part of the Bible Studies.



Know someone who needs a summer job?

Camp Agapé is seeking certified lifeguards to enforce water safety rules and to care for the pool during summer camp.

Must be 16 years old or older.

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Children and Family Ministry

Questions you may have regarding any of these programs or events can be directed to Director of Infant and Family Ministry, MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org or Director of Children's Ministry, Lea.Webb@rlcary.org.



During the last year, we provided Sunday School virtually for children through 8th grade. Everything is on the website at <u>rlcary.org</u>, under Ministries on the **Sunday School for Kids** webpage.

The lessons and videos will remain on the website through the summer for you to revisit. Stay tuned for details when Sunday School will resume in the Fall. Contact Ms. Lea at lea.webb@rlcary.org with any questions.

Rainbow Bags and books will be returning to church services! Please feel free to have your child grab a bag on the way into church and then place it into the tub in the Narthex if you worship in the Sanctuary, or hallway by the Family Life Center.

We are happy that things are moving forward and returning to a more "normal" routine.

We are also inviting children to come forward for **Children's Messages**. If you are not comfortable doing so, I encourage you to sit near the front so the kids can feel more included.



All Aboard!!

Save the Date for Vacation Bible School

Rocky Railway

is coming July 12-16, 2021

Children (3-6 years) are invited to attend each day from 9:00 am-12:00 pm!

We will hit the tracks and explore how Jesus' power helps us through everything.

More information coming soon! Volunteer Conductors needed, too!

Mark your calendar and plan to join us for VBS this summer. Contact Ms. Lea at <u>lea.webb@rlcary.org</u> with any questions.

Moms Together Starting in September

September 3rd is the first date, then the first and third Fridays of every month from 9:30-11:30 am.

Mark your calendar to remember to join in this amazing group of moms for Bible studies, as well as social events.

It is a great support system and a wonderful way to meet new women friends. Childcare is available for the regular meetings for a nominal cost.

All moms are welcome, most have babies through middle school kids. Feel free to invite a friend!

Questions can be directed to Angela York or Katie Riccitello through RCB, or MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org.

Student Ministry

Questions you may have regarding any of these programs or events can be directed to Middle School Youth Director, <u>LeAnn.Trautman@rlcary.org</u> or High School Youth Director, <u>Jenny.Piontek@rlcary.org</u>.

Ignite (6th-8th Grades)

I know the youth are looking forward to the end of the school year and the start of summer! Since we do not have mission trips or retreats this summer, Ignite will continue throughout the summer. Keep an eye out for events and service opportunities.

Here is what is coming up...

Friday, June 18 - School Is Out NERF Battle - 6:30-8:00 pm - FLC Gym All Nerf gear will be supplied. Limited to 20, so sign up using this link. Covid protocol will be followed (mask must be worn...no exceptions). Remember to bring a full water bottle. signupgenius.com/go/20F0F4FA4A62C7-school

Looking ahead, please save your clear 2-liter plastic soda bottles. We will be using them for an event the end of June. Bottles can be dropped

off at any Ignite event, church office, or leave them in the marked bin under the coat rack in main church or in marked bin outside Family Life Center gym. I would love to have 15. Thanks!

Have a wonderful week! Ms. LeAnn

Breakaway (9th-12th Grades)

Glow Night was FANTASTIC! It was such a blessing to see The Warehouse full with joy and excitement! God is good! Here is what's happening:

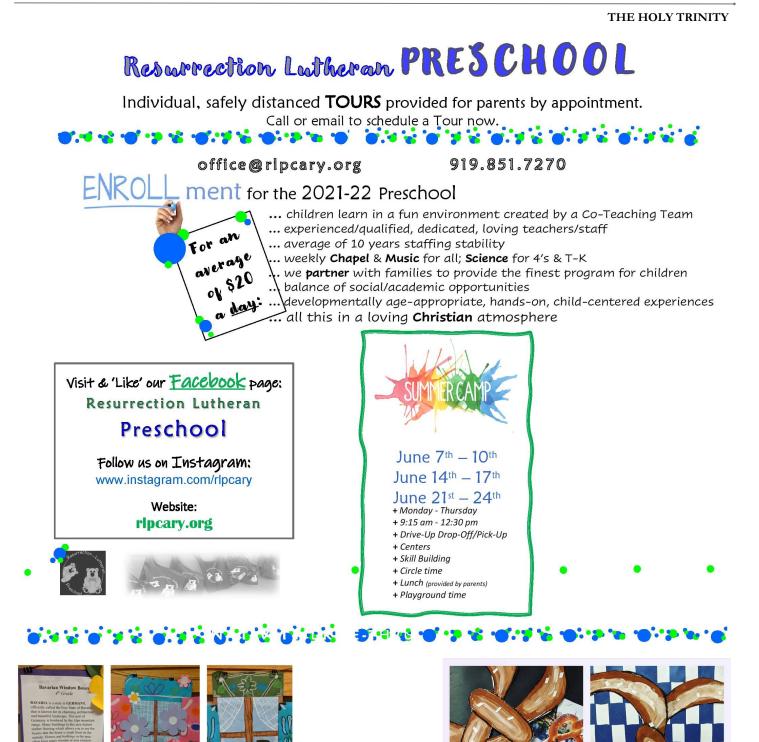
- Connection Café is finished until Fall, when we will meet again in person!
- Youth Sunday is June 6 at the 11:00 am service! Plan to come and help lead the worship. signupgenius.com/go/10c0449a5ab22a5f85-youth2
- Breakaway Celebration of the Seniors Sunday, June 6 from 7:00-8:30 pm in The Warehouse

Joyfully His, Ms. Jenny





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In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, May 22, 6:00 pm - 44 Sunday, May 23, 8:00 am - 67 Sunday, May 23, 11:00 am - 45

Total In-Person Worship: 156

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, May 23 8:00 am - 167 views 11:00 am - 27 views

Total Online Views: 194

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!

General Fund Giving and Spending - April 2021

	Current Month	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 110,478.59	\$ 989,229.55
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 86,514.66</u>	<u>\$ 938,348.36</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ 23,963.93	\$ 50,881.13
Last Week's Offerings	\$15,735.02	
Average Weekly Giving for 202	\$23,005.34	
Average Weekly Giving Budge	\$23,750.00	

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

Calendar for the Week of May 30-June 6

Sunday

	8:00 am	Worship, Sanctuary/Online	
	9:30 am	Worship, Sanctuary	
	11:00 am	Praise Worship/Communion, FLC/Online	
	1:00 pm	Oromo Ev. Lutheran, Fellowship Hall	
	3:30 pm	Mekane Yesus, Fellowship Hall	
Monday			
	Memorial Day — Office Closed		
	11:00 am	Prayer Community, Online	
Tuesday			

Wednesday

	10:00 am	Piecemakers Quilting, Room 151
	12:00 pm	Church Staff Meeting, Fellowship Hall
	6:30 pm	RLS Graduation, Family Life Center
	6:30 pm	Sanctuary Choir Ensemble, Sanctuary
	7:00 pm	Church Council Meeting, Online
Thursda	у	
	12:00 pm	Veterans Lunch Crew, O'Charley's
	7:30 pm	College Crew Campfire, Parking Lot
Friday		

Saturday

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	8:00 am	Men's Breakfast, Parking Lot
	6:00 pm	Worship/Holy Communion, Sanctuary
Sunday		
	8:00 am	Worship/Communion, Sanctuary/Online
	9:30 am	Worship, Sanctuary
	11:00 am	Praise Worship, FLC/Online
	1:00 pm	Oromo Ev. Lutheran, Fellowship Hall
	1:00 pm	Voter's Meeting, FLC/Online
	3:30 pm	Mekane Yesus, Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	Breakaway, The Warehouse

