



Resurrection Lutheran Church

By Grace Through Faith For Service

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 1, 2021

Prayers of the Church: (*RLC Members)

Ongoing Prayers

*Diane Cuper	*Eve Sommers	*David Brooks	*Anne Altieri
*Charlotte Raines	*Eric Hammergren	*Anita Moore	*Vern Ebert
*John Shaeffer	*Aaron	*Marcus	*Malcolm
*Sandy Nigg	Michael Flannery	*Helen Campbell	Henry Otten
*Lena Licciardi	Paul Batt	Marc/Elizabeth Langefeld's Adoption	

Ongoing Cancer Treatments

*Mike Allen	Anne Price	*Gary Ferro	Angie Price
Alison Zieglmeier	Carol Diliberto	Roseanne Candiello	Jim Metz
Janice Sommers	Fernley Wagner	*Doug Spitz	Jackie Linda
Kathy Siemon	Joe Kupsky	Scott Brinkley	Pete Brown
*Elaine Wood	*Bill Xenakis	*Greg Sigmon	

For Expectant Moms

*Holly Molly *Stacy *Brittany Lija

Those Prayed For on July 25th

Thanking God Today

- Weddings and other family celebrations this summer, especially Lindsey & Jason's, and Linka Schleusener's wedding
- Lutheran Comfort Dog ministry, serving in Surfside FL area
- Officer Leach's successful double lung transplant
- Meredith's birthday; RLC Family, Staff, Pastors; Our Many Blessings

For Healing

- All with cancer and leukemia, especially *Doug Spitz, Fernley Wagner, Scott Brinkley, Pete Brown, Kathy Siemon, *Bill Xenakis, Hunter Stocks, Linda, Jimmy Ketner, Chris McLaughlin, Patrick, Joe Kupsky
- Tim Jenkins, upcoming pulmonary embolism surgery
- Kimmy, Daisy, Kim, David, Larry and Son, Carla, Eve, Janice, Angie, Pam, Shirley, Justin, Tim, Timmy, Red, Brian, Ira, Dave, Carlton, Carol, Anne, Anna, AnnMarie, Joe, Lena, Hope, Justus, Tom, Melissa, Donnie, Marilyn, Donna, Susan, Harold, Gavin, Herman, Ken, Jill, Virginia, John

For Those Recovering From Surgeries and/or Procedures

- *Virginia Heilman, *Pam, *Charlotte Raines, *Hope Studt, *Eve Sommers, Dana Drengler (Micah's wife)
- Those recovering from cancer surgery, especially Janice Sommers (still needs another round of chemo), Scott Brinkley, *Doug Spitz

For Protection, Wisdom, and Discernment

- Healthcare workers worldwide, especially members serving in hospitals
- All caregivers, especially those caring for dementia & Alzheimer's patients
- Jackson Buser, new job assignment in Ethiopia
- Jimmy Ketner, bladder cancer, and his caregiver, Sandra
- Kids going back to school
- Safe travel & move to Utah for Gresham 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
- Churches with pastoral vacancies and their call process
- Those struggling with addiction and their supporters trying to navigate
- Uganda Church
- Persecuted Christians



Our culture values what is new more than what lasts. We throw away so much that is perfectly good—simply out of style or no longer wanted. In the midst of this throw-away culture, our Lord cautions us against seeking that which does not last. Instead, He points us to Himself and calls on us to seek that which does not

change. The people remembered Jesus as the miracle worker who had fed thousands with nothing, but Jesus' Miracle was not the end. It merely pointed to the food which does not perish, which feeds and nourishes, and fills. This is the food which should occupy our hearts, minds, and lives. Jesus is this Bread—for today, for tomorrow, and forever.



We offer four in-person worship services:

Saturday, 6:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00 am and 9:30 am

Traditional Worship
in the Sanctuary

Sunday, 11:00 am

Praise Worship
in the Family Life Center

And two live stream worship opportunities:

Sunday, 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.

Pastor's Corner for Week of August 1-7



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

How much is enough? Over the next few weeks we will be discovering what the Scriptures tell us about God's feeding of our hungry hearts. This week's focus is on God's mercy and Israel's grumbling. Yes, that's right: God's *giving* in spite of Israel's *complaining*.

Suffice to say that nobody likes listening to complaining. Complainers are most often shushed into silence, talked over, or simply ignored. In this season of summer roadtrips I picture to myself Moms and Dads, hungry and tired themselves, hearing the urgent cries from the back seat: "Aren't we there yet?" "What's taking so long?" "I'm hungry!" "Is there a bathroom nearby?" A weary silence or impatient demand for "quiet" might seem at first the easiest response! Our heavenly Father's reaction to the complaint about lack of food...His response to Israel's hankering for Egypt, the place of her former bondage...is different. Israel's complaint stirs the response in God to *listen*. Israel's grumbling becomes the trigger in Israel's God to *act*. The result? Not rescue from the wilderness but the gift of manna and meat in the wilderness so that Israel might be sustained in the desert and live. God would not abandon Israel to its grumbling. God, in God's mercy, would act so that the truly hungry might be fed.

The complaint that something needed is not enough, the desire to return to an earlier, less complicated time, and the fear of what the future may hold are certainly not limited to this brief passage from the early pages of the Scriptures. The same has held true across the centuries and even into our present day. The Good News for you and me is that the God of Exodus 20 continues to provide for our needs even though WHAT He provides and HOW He provides it may take us by surprise! In the end, God's mercy transforms mere complaining to thriving--even in life's wilderness places. In the end, the real Bread God would rain down from heaven would not be mere manna--bread that perishes--but the Bread of Life, Jesus Christ.

We find the satisfaction of our soul's hunger in Jesus again today, no matter where our wilderness journey might take us!

As always, here is a bit of news to read this week:

Recent CDC Guidance for Face Coverings and Worship at RLC

You have no doubt heard that due to a lower than expected rate of vaccination in the United States and the resulting proliferation of dangerous variants of the COVID virus, the CDC has updated its guidance for face coverings. In areas where there is an average of more than 50 new infections per 100,000 residents over the previous seven days (or more than 8 percent of tests are positive for infection over that period), everyone, regardless of whether or not he/she is fully vaccinated, is strongly encouraged to wear a mask. As your pastor, I constantly seek to discern where God is leading us to worship both freely AND safely. At the moment, new COVID cases in Wake County average around 10 new cases a day per 100,000 people and the rate of infection is 5.5% (see covidactnow.org figures for Wake County). Though no one is less enthusiastic than yours truly regarding the prospect of once again masking up at RLC, should the numbers continue to worsen, it is inevitable that masks for all worshippers will once again be required and some events will be cancelled. I urge you to do all you can to encourage the unvaccinated you know and love who are able to do so to get the vaccine. Please continue to monitor my weekly email and regular church announcements for changes to current practices.

Memorial Service and Celebration of Life in Christ for Kathy Martin, August 11

RLC invites you to attend a Celebration of Life in Christ for Kathy Martin on Wednesday, August 11 at 11 AM. (Please note the changed time from Thursday, August 12.) We continue to keep Don, Nicole, and the family in our prayers as they mourn Kathy's loss but celebrate her heavenly homecoming!

Concordia Seminary Summer Speaker Series Event Cancelled

We received notification this past week that, due to smaller than expected registration for the Concordia Seminary Summer Speaker Series this year, the event has been cancelled. Those who have made payments for the pastor's lecture portion of the event will have all payments refunded.

RLC Newcomers Invitation

If you want to find out more about joining Resurrection and have not already done so, please [reach out to Pastor Alan Shaw by clicking here](#). The next "Welcome to Resurrection" class will be held from 10 AM to 2 PM, September 18.

Many Thanks to RLC's High School and Middle School Youth!

I've received word of the good work of our church's youth and wanted to take a moment to acknowledge our church's gratitude. For those of you who might not be aware, a part of the high schooler's recent July lock-in was spent getting the preschool playground ready for the new school year. RLC Middle Schoolers, for their part, closed the loop on various Christmas-in-July projects that allowed unclaimed gifts to three area charities (Families Together, Safe Families for Children, and Raleigh Rescue Mission) to be supported. Thank you so much to those who took part in these events! I know I speak for all of us when I say that it is encouraging to see the spirit of service passed down from one generation to the next. Keep up the good work, guys! We pray God's blessing on all of you as you prepare for new beginnings at school in the new academic year.

Jesus said: "I am the Bread of Life. Whoever comes to Me will never go hungry. And whoever believes in Me will never be thirsty" (John 6:35). We come to Jesus again this week. God may not give us what we think we want. But God always provides for our most important needs of body and soul. We live in that confidence again today, giving thanks to God!

Peace and joy in Christ,
Pastor Jonathan



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It is with great sadness and in Christian love and hope that we announce that our sister in Christ, **Kathy Martin**, was called to rest with Jesus on Tuesday, July 27, 2021.

Our prayers are with her husband Don, daughter Nicole Gonzalez, and their family at this time.

A Celebration of Life in Christ will be held on Wednesday, August 11 at 11:00 am at Resurrection.

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, office@rlcary.org).



Celebrate Christmas in July and Help Local Charities!

Christmas trees have been placed outside the Sanctuary and Family Life Center with "ornaments" highlighting specific needs requested by the following organizations:

- * **Families Together** (famielstoegethernc.org)
- * **Raleigh Rescue Mission** (raleighrescue.org)
- * **Safe Families for Children** (safe-families.org)

We added one more weekend to drop off items for Christmas in July!

Thank you for helping us serve people in need in our community!



Ladies Fellowship Luncheon

Wednesday, August 4
at 11:30 am

O'Charley's
101 Ashville Avenue, Cary

RSVP to
Melinda Stephani
through RCB



Veterans Lunch Crew

Thursday, August 5
at 12:00 pm

O'Charley's
101 Ashville Avenue, Cary

RSVP to Marty Stephani through RCB

Creative Faith Mornings

Join us and spend time together being creative!

We'll start each session with a short Bible study (15-20 min.) and then spend the rest of the time in "creative time".

During the creative time, you will have the opportunity to color a variety of encouragement cards. Some of these cards will be used for our RLC card ministry and some can for your personal use as a way to bless your family and friends.

The cards will be provided and we'll have colored pencils available for coloring. You are welcome to bring your own coloring supplies, if you prefer.

We'll meet in the Fellowship Hall on **Tuesday, August 10 from 9:30-11:30 am.**

Contact Jamee Thieme through RCB for more info.



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 rlcary.org/ministries/online-giving
- Download the "GivePlus+" APP, search for Resurrection Lutheran Church, transfer funds from your checking or savings account to RLC.

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

July 13, 2021

Greetings, Resurrection Family,

Some of you associated with our school may already have gotten the word that I have been issued, and accepted, a Call to the Southeastern District LCMS to the role of Facilitator for School, Youth, and Family Ministries. This would allow me to work with the 79 Lutheran School ministries of our District (which stretches from South Carolina to Southern Pennsylvania). This is a big commitment of time and involves considerable travel within this district and would not allow me to continue in my current role as Principal of Resurrection Lutheran School. This is not a role I sought out, but the officers of our District nominated me for this position. After prayerful reflection and consideration, I determined that this new role is what God is calling me to fulfill. And though I am excited to take on this new calling, I am sad to be leaving my position as Principal at RLS in August. I appreciate your prayers for me in this new role for the Lutheran Church.

I will not be leaving RLS in an administrative "lurch" though. Not only have I been working diligently to fill any teaching vacancies, but on contingencies of my leaving. The RLS Board of Directors has approved my proposal to ask Bob Unger to be the Interim Principal for RLS for the upcoming school year.

Bob is a thoroughly trained Lutheran Educator who has experience as an Interim Principal. He served for more than a year in that very role earlier in his career. He is well known and respected in our school community. I believe he would bring the "gravitas" needed to help keep the ship directed over the next transition period. He is already on staff at RLS as a part-time instructor and his duties would simply shift to administrative, rather than instructional. This would not require more time than he already has been spending on duties for RLS and would not require any modifications to his role as Director of Music Ministries at RLC. This would be a one year, interim position and one of the first jobs for the new administration and RLS Board of Directors would be to start a search for the next full-time administrator for the school. I would be assisting in this search in my new role as Facilitator as well.

I thank you for your partnership throughout the years of my administration (14 years...wow) at RLS and look forward to working with Resurrection in my new role for the District. I promise to not be a stranger and will always look at my time at Resurrection Lutheran with great fondness.

God's Richest Blessings,
Tom Kolb

TRIANGLE FAITH.ORG

"Proclaiming the Message of the Gospel in a Culture Dominated by Shame and Honor"

August 8-9, 2021

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

**Resurrection Lutheran Church
100 W. Lochmere Dr., Cary, NC**

FREE Evening Summer Seminars



Dr. Abjar Bahkou

Associate Professor
Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

This event has been cancelled.



Unfortunately, we have had to **CANCEL** the Friday, August 13th Coffeehouse due to the COVID Delta Variant.

We will keep everyone posted as to when we can restart The Coffeehouse Ministry. We thank you for being willing to restart the ministry, and we will have to wait and be patient. Thank you!

Questions? Contact Brenda Peterson through RCB.

Blind Ministry

We are trying to restart our Blind Ministry dinners on August 27.

In order to have our usual, fairly big attendance again, we are in urgent need of drivers.

Contact Annette Langefeld-Kennedy through RCB or the church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248) for more information.

Pray for Our Missionaries

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

Volunteers Needed

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

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



Altar Flowers

You may sign up for your favorite date for altar flowers in the Sanctuary and Contemporary Service.

Please use this link: <https://bit.ly/3iFkHii>
or call the church office at 919-851-7248.

Flowers are ordered from Cary Florist and cost \$45.

Children and Family Ministry

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

We have much to offer at RLC, but we need your help to do so. Great programs happen because great people are willing to share their time, gifts, and talents to serve others. I look forward to partnering with you and supporting you as we work together to share God's love with our youngest members.

Children's Church

Jen Kirby has graciously volunteered to lead a training session for anyone interested in helping and leading Children's Church.

She will meet with interested people on **Sunday, August 8** following the 11:00 am service. Light lunch will be provided.

This is a great opportunity for anyone who has thought about becoming involved in our various areas of Children's Ministry. Please RSVP to Jen Kirby through RCB or to the church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248), so she can plan accordingly.

Nursery Needs

The nursery will be reopening the weekend after Labor Day.

In order to provide this service, we need to get a list of dedicated adults who can serve for at least 1 service per month. Again the more people that are willing to serve at least once a month, it makes it easier to commit. If you would be interested in serving multiple times a month that would be greatly appreciated also. The nursery will hopefully be able to be open on Sunday morning from 8:00 am until the end of the 11:00 am service. There will be 3 services each Sunday that need coverage. I will also be looking for Middle School and High School students to serve as assistants.

Time for Sunday School is almost here!

Curriculum and supplies are being ordered, rooms are getting ready, what we need most are willing volunteers - the more we get, the more we can have a list of people that can fill in for each other and work together on planning and preparing for classes. My goal is to have lessons that are easy for teachers to use with minimum preparation. We also want the curriculum to be beneficial for our students at all ages and to provide materials that can be sent home so that parents can continue the "teaching" at home.

I am planning to hold a meeting in mid-August for anyone that is interested in potentially teaching or helping out this upcoming year. Ideally, we will have multiple teachers for each level. I hope you will come and see in person the new curriculum and ask questions. If you have taught Sunday School in the past and want to come to share ideas, I would love to have you join us.

Parents: If you can let me know if you plan to have your child participate in Sunday School this year and their age/grade level, I would appreciate that. It will be helpful in ordering the right amount of materials.



Sunday School is an important process of our children learning about Jesus and His love for them. I look forward to hearing from you and meeting together in August.

Save the Date! Information Sessions for Parents of Confirmation 1 and 2 Youth



Youth Confirmation at RLC is a 2-year program that traditionally begins ("Confirmation 1") at Grade 7 and finishes at the end of Grade 8 ("Confirmation 2"). After a pandemic year, we recognize that some flexibility in Grades as young people enter this structured faith formation process is warranted — thus our rebranding each class "Confirmation 1" and "2."

If you are interested in finding out more about Confirmation in 2021-2022 for the members of your family, I urge you to take part in one of the information sessions:

Sunday, August 15 at 1:00 pm or Wednesday, August 18 at 7:00 pm

Please make time to meet even if your youth "missed" Confirmation last year. We will meet in Room 151 of the Family Life Center. — Pastor Jonathan

Student Ministry

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

Ignite (6th-8th Grades)



Christmas in July



What a wonderful time the youth had celebrating Christmas in July with fun, fellowship, and the Christmas spirit! Thank you to all that attended and for all the donations to the RLC Christmas trees and to Western Wake Ministry.

Our new 2021-2022 IGNITE year is right around the corner! All youth that would like to participate in any Ignite sponsored event or service project must have a completed 21/22 Health Form and Release on file. Please spend a few minutes to fill it out using this link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1UwGqBj10kMZ-ij2kfx-erubSHrPocKOAHQYeTMiT_m0/viewform?edit_requested=true

Next Event: Splash Bash - Friday, August 6 from 6:30-8:00 pm - RLC Parking Lot

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4fa4a62c7-splash>

Have a blessed week! Ms. LeAnn

Breakaway (9th-12th Grades)

National Youth Gathering is sponsored by LCMS every 3 years and allows youth and their leaders to congregate in a city to celebrate their faith, learn and grow in their faith, worship and praise their almighty Creator and be surrounded by youth from all over the world that are a part of Christ's epic story.

In July 2022, NYG will be meeting again in Houston. However, the planning, prepping, and building our team begins now.

National Youth Gathering Meetings for Parent and Youth:

Sunday, August 15 at 2:00 pm - Room 240, Family Life Center **or Wednesday, August 25** at 7:00 pm - Room 151, Family Life Center

If you are planning on attending NYG, you need to be at one of these meetings. *Registration deadline for NYG will be September 15!*

Any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out.

Ms. Jenny



Resurrection Lutheran
PRESCHOOL



Now **ENROLL**ing
 for the 2021-22
 Preschool year



Openings are available in our 5-year-old (including transitional-kindergarten), 4-year-old, 3-year-old, and 2-year-old classes; however, some classes are filling quickly.

TO ENROLL A CHILD, email or call:

office@rlpcary.org 919.851.7270

Individual, safely distanced **TOURS** provided for parents by appointment.

Email or call to schedule a TOUR now.

office@rlpcary.org 919.851.7270

Before and After School Care

It is our intention to reinstate Before/After School Care in the fall. Registration form will be emailed in the coming weeks along with detailed information about the program.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning about employment opportunities relating to this offering, please forward a letter of interest to include experience to rosiecreasy@rlscary.org.



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In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, July 24, 6:00 pm - 60

Sunday, July 25, 8:00 am - 57

Sunday, July 25, 9:30 am - 86

Sunday, July 25, 11:00 am - 77

Total In-Person Worship: 280**Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel**

Sunday, July 25

8:00 am - 117 views 11:00 am - 61 views

Total Online Views: 178**General Fund Giving and Spending - June 2021**

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 89,933.40	\$ 1,167,084.08
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 108,215.49</u>	<u>\$ 1,142,269.09</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ - 18,282.09	\$ 24,814.99
Last Week's Offerings		\$36,119.73
Average Weekly Giving for 2020/21		\$22,443.92
Average Weekly Giving Budgeted for 2020/21		\$23,750.00

Calendar for the Week of August 1-8**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

3:30 pm Mekane Yesus, Fellowship Hall

Monday

11:00 am Prayer Community, Online

Tuesday

1:00 pm Piecemakers Quilting, Room 151/FLC

7:00 pm Stephen Ministry Tuesday Group, Online

Wednesday

12:00 pm Church Staff Meeting, Fellowship Hall

6:15 pm Reading the Bible, Fellowship Hall

Thursday

12:00 pm Veterans Lunch Group, O'Charley's

6:00 pm Reign! Rehearsal

Friday

6:30 pm Ignite Event, Parking Lot

Saturday

6:00 pm Worship/Communion, Sanctuary

Sunday

8:00 am Worship, Sanctuary/Online

9:30 am Worship/Communion, Sanctuary

11:00 am Praise Worship/Communion, FLC/Online

1:00 pm Oromo Ev. Lutheran, Fellowship Hall

3:30 pm Mekane Yesus, Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm Triangle Faith Evening Seminar, FLC

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Weekly Announcements Deadline: Thursday

Submit to Susan.Moore@RLCary.org.