

Resurrection Lutheran Church

By Grace Through Faith For Service

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 8, 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	Peter & Esther Kuo	

Marc & Elizabeth Langefeld's Baby 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 August 1st

Thanking God Today

- Pastor Zach's first sermon at RLC
- New baby son for Karl & Molly Kuekes, grandson of *Barbara Kuekes-Patel and *Steve & Rebekah Kuekes
- Recovery from COVID, *Kathy Rihani's sister
- Julia, cancer remission
- Our many blessings; Granddaughters's 1st birthday

For Healing

- All with cancer and leukemia, especially *Doug Spitz, *Greg Sigmon, Fernley Wagner, Scott Brinkley, Pete Brown, Kathy Siemon (RLS teacher), *Bill Xenakis, Hunter Stocks, Linda, Jimmy Ketner, Chris McLaughlin, Patrick, Joe Kupsky, Javed
- Tim Jenkins upcoming pulmonary embolism surgery
- Those ill or recovering with Covid, especially Kat & Chris, Jonathan Lotz
- Sara, Wish, Shirley, Olevia, Justin, Red, Tim, Brian, Timmy, Carlton, Carol, Anne, Anna, AnnMarie, Lena, Tom, Justus, Melissa, Marlo, Susan, Donna, Dave, Harold, Ken, Herman, Suzie, Julie, Lyn, Marco, Grant, Nicole, Ryan

For Those Recovering From Surgeries and/or Procedures

- *Virginia Heilman, *Pam, *Charlotte Raines, *Hope Studt, *Eve Sommers
- Those recovering from cancer surgery, especially Janice Sommers (upcoming round of chemo), Scott Brinkley, *Doug Spitz

For Those Who Mourn

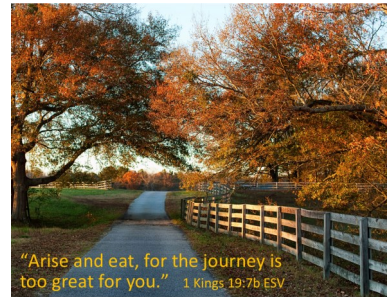
- Family of Kathy Martin, including husband *Don, daughter *Nicole

For Protection, Wisdom, and Discernment

- Those searching for jobs, new job paths especially *Sue, *Tom
- RLS board, staff, interim leadership for work of Call Committee/Principal
- RLC Coffeehouse, guidance for when to reopen

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- Churches with pastoral vacancies and their call process
- Jimmy Ketner, bladder cancer, and his caregiver, Sandra
- Paul Batt, entering the Army
- Christians in Nigeria
- Those struggling with addiction, their families & support system



We often want to meet God on our terms but God is accessible where and when He has determined to reveal Himself – a manger which holds Jesus Christ in human flesh and blood;

a cross on which the Holy Redeemer dies for a sinful world – and a sinful you and me; and a mystery of bread that is His Body and of wine that is His Blood for us to eat and drink. In our limited capacity as human beings, we can only believe by faith. Yet, where we hear and heed His Word, His Promise delivers beyond our imagination – and far more than we dare ask: forgiveness and cleansing from all our sins, life now and life stronger than death itself, and salvation sure and free to all who will not reject Him.



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 Jonathan's Corner for Week of August 8-14



Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

It's back-to-school season. What a great time to consider what "a real education" means and entails for followers of Jesus.

Everyone knows that learning neither begins in the classroom...nor ends when you get your diploma. Learning is lifelong. In the book *Hector and the Search for Happiness*, Hector is a psychiatrist who decides to go on a world-wide quest to learn the secret of happiness. Hector travels from Paris to China to Africa to the United States. In his interactions with a quirky set of characters he strives to learn what happiness is. "Many people only see happiness in their future," Hector discovers and records in his journal. Or on another occasion: "Happiness often comes when least expected." Some of Hector's insights are delightfully in-the-moment: "Happiness is a long walk in beautiful, unfamiliar mountains." Others are more philosophical: "It's a mistake to think that happiness is the goal." It's easy to grow weary of Hector's common-sense "discoveries." But the point is...he's a guy who wants something more important than head knowledge. He wants a real education.

In our Gospel reading for this weekend, Jesus touches on where real education begins, a theme woven into the Hebrew Bible long, long, before Jesus' earthly ministry: God, the Lord of Israel, is the ultimate Teacher (John 6:45; cf. Isaiah 54:13). God's teaching is different from how we usually construe education today. "Real education" in the Scriptures is not a matter of going to the right school or sitting at the feet of the most celebrated teacher. It isn't only or especially for *children*. Real education has to do with learning about a God of mercy who no longer remembered the sins of His people but leads the humble in what is right (Psalm 25: 6-9). It wasn't—and isn't—only a quest to learn about real happiness. But it has more to do with Hector's search than it does with the guy who sits at home with all the right answers! The Good News is that Jesus is not only our Teacher...He is our loving Savior, the One to whom all sinners who seek the mercy of Almighty God are drawn, by the Father. What a blessing that there is a never a vacation from that kind of learning! There are many opportunities at Resurrection to continue to get a real education from Jesus...and to encourage others to do the same...as we gather around the Word of God in Bible study, fellowship, and our devotional life. Let's make the adventure of lifelong learning a part of our time together at RLC.

As always, here is the latest information I have to share with you this week:

Adult Sunday School Class Registration for New Class Beginning September 12

James is arguably one of the toughest books to read in the Bible. It can seem at times to be all Law and no Gospel, with little in it to bring hope and joy. Yet God has an important message for us through James, especially with the present challenges to in-person fellowship that people all over the world are facing. It's the perfect book of the Bible to tackle in a Bible study! In this kickoff study of the fall season, starting September 12 at 9:30 AM, we will be taking a deeper look at the book of James. We will see what James has to say about living in a Christian community and how we are used by God there to build each other up for service. We will also be using Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together* as an aid to grow in a deeper understanding of what it means to be the Church in our world today. [Register for this new class, team-led by Pastors Jonathan and Zach, by clicking here.](#)

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. We continue to keep Don, Nicole, and the family in our prayers as they mourn Kathy's loss but celebrate her heavenly homecoming!

Youth Confirmation 1 and 2: Information Sessions August 18 and 22

If you have a young person at home who has not yet had the opportunity to embark on the faith formation process at Resurrection we call "Confirmation," consider taking part in one of the two upcoming information sessions at RLC: August 18 (Wednesday) at 7 PM or August 22* (Sunday) at 1 PM, in Room 151 (*note date change). Invitations/reminders to these sessions will be sent around to all eligible 7th and 8th graders and their families at RLC later this week.

Save the Date: August 29 (Town Hall to Discuss Permanent Camera Installation at RLC)

Check out my article in the August newsletter about the ongoing discussion around permanent cameras in the main sanctuary and Family Life Center. RLC members are invited to an open forum on August 29th to learn more about and discuss the details surrounding the plan to make a worship live stream an ongoing part of our congregation's outreach. The meeting will be in the Family Life Center and take place after the 11 AM service on the 29th. Specifics about the plan will be distributed to members of the congregation following the August Church Council meeting this week.

Thank You to RLC from Pastor Micah Drengler

The following letter was received this past week from RLC member Micah Drengler. Congratulations on your call Micah! We keep you in our prayers as you begin your new ministry at Living Word Lutheran Church!

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Dear Family at RLC,

Greetings from Saint Louis! I rejoice in announcing that I have accepted the call to serve as Associate Pastor at Living Word Lutheran Church in The Woodlands, Texas. Thank you so much for your support and prayers over the past 8 years. I would not be who I am without God's work through you at Resurrection.

A special thank you to the prayer team for including my wife, Dana, in your prayers over the past month as she has been recovering from surgery. God has brought us through it and is still at work. My ordination and installation will be taking place on September 12 at Living Word in the Woodlands. If you find yourself in East Texas, feel free to drop by! The service will also be available at www.lwlc.org.

In other news, RLC has just been sent a new pastor! As it turns out, Zachery Sarrault is a classmate and good friend of mine. Between Pastors Jonathan and Zach, you're in good hands. You might find the following helpful concerning what you need to know about Pastor Zach: Take him fishing. Explain to him the difference between the various kinds of Carolina barbecue (and which is the correct kind). Be nice to him during football season (he's a Lions fan). Remind him every September 1 of the time App State beat Michigan in The Big House in 2007. Pray for him and Kelsey.

May the Lord continue to bless and keep you always.

Yours in Christ,
Micah

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As always, please be in touch if there is something we can do better to serve you....

Peace and joy in Christ,
Pastor Jonathan

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Mites for Missions

We will be collecting **Mites for Missions** at all services this weekend, **August 7 and 8**.

Please place your gifts in the large purple Mite Box in the Narthex near Sanctuary Worship.

Gifts can also be made by check, payable to **RLW**, and placed in Donna Krupcale's church mailbox.



The large Mite Box is always available at the Welcome table in the Narthex for gifts anytime during the month.

Thank you for supporting the mission grants of Lutheran Women in Mission! We want to make sure that all the Mission grants are fully funded and missions are supported.

If you need a Mite box, please contact either Donna Krupcale or Jamee Thieme 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.

**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.



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.

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.



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.

Pray for Our Missionaries

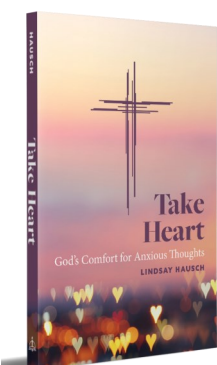
Mark and Megan Mantey, Uganda
Shauen and Krista Trump, Kenya
JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

Take Heart: God's Comfort for Anxious Thoughts
Beginning Monday, September 13 from 7:00-8:00 pm

Real life can be a real mess.

Feelings of anxiety can attack, overwhelm, and drag us down. We want to turn away from others and rely on ourselves to escape the situation. But God will not let go of you. He will meet you in the midst of your darkness, in the place where you think you are farthest from Him.



Author Lindsay Hausch is no stranger to real-life struggles with anxious thoughts. She knows that, even with the power of God's grace, overcoming anxious thoughts is not as simple as praying enough or having enough faith. Instead, the struggle can be a training ground for spiritual growth. God's love for you is present.

Books are available through Amazon, Concordia Publishing House (cph.org), christianbook.com.

For more information, contact Jamee Thieme through RCB.



RLC Men's Pick-Up Basketball

Are you interested in joining a pick-up game?

Weekly games have started up again on **Saturday mornings from 9:00-11:00 am** in the Family Life Center gym.

Men, 18 or older, are invited to play.

Contact Eugene Yamamura through RCB with questions.



Blind Ministry

Due to the rise of infection rates, we decided to **cancel** the August Blind Ministry dinner.

Hopefully, we will be able to start again soon.

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



Our family landed in Phnom Penh safe and sound on July 27. Currently, all traveller's arriving in Cambodia must undergo a two-week quarantine at a government chosen hotel. There is no way to choose or even know which hotel you go to. After presenting our negative result from a test taken 72 hours before departure, and then having our required COVID-19 test on arrival, we were put on a "mystery bus" to our assigned hotel. We had heard horror stories of travelers in dirty hotels with no windows and low quality food. Praise God, we were taken to a very clean and comfortable hotel ([get a tour from Isaac here!](#)) only minutes from our house. From our 10th floor balcony, you can see our neighborhood (see pic a). [Daily meals](#) are compulsory and provided by the hotel; no outside deliveries allowed. While the food is a bit repetitive (see pic b, a typical breakfast comprising stir-fried noodles, boiled sweet potato, hard-boiled egg, bread and fruit), we are thankful that it is abundant and tasty. Nonetheless, we are glad we packed plenty of food and snacks to supplement. We decided the best way to combat boredom was to stick to a routine. [Our daily schedule](#) includes two devotional times, two [exercise times](#), and plenty of opportunities for play and crafts (see pic c for Celeste and Bella's robotics project; video [here](#)). We are very grateful for a friend and supporter who mailed us several kid-friendly games that pack well. Isaac especially loves game time (pic d)! We will test for COVID-19 on August 10. We should be able to leave quarantine a day or two thereafter, upon receiving a negative test result. But even after quarantine, we will be entering a city that is itself going through [another round of lockdowns](#) due to a surge in COVID-19 cases. **Please pray** for our family as we endure quarantine, but even more **please pray** for Cambodia. **Pray** that new cases would soon subside. Please also **pray** for the economic effects of the lockdowns—another blow in a country whose economy is very vulnerable and has already weathered much. **Please pray** that in these hard times many might know the comfort and abiding presence of Jesus.

[Click here to see a day in our quarantine life!](#)

SQUARE TWO

The Cima Family Newsletter
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Wanna help us impact the people of Cambodia?

Give online [here](#), or mail a check to 1) P.O. Box 66861, St. Louis, MO 63166-6861 (payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod), OR 2) 40718 Highway E-16, Mapleton, IA 51034 (payable to Mission Central). For ALL checks, in the memo line write "Cima family-Cambodia."

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.

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:

Wednesday, August 18 at 7:00 pm or Sunday, August 22 at 1:00 pm* (date change)

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)

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-erubSHrPockOAHQYeTMjT_m0/viewform?edit_requested=true

Splash Bash - Friday, August 6 from 6:30-8:00 pm
- RLC Parking Lot *Spots still available!*

signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4fa4a62c7-splash

Have a blessed week!
Ms. LeAnn



Breakaway (9th-12th Grades)

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 is September 15!*



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

Resurrection Lutheran
PRESCHOOL



Now ENROLLing
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

Join the RLS Team

We are still looking to fill a few position for the fall.

Interviews are underway for middle school faculty and an After School Director.

If you or someone you know is qualified and interested in learning about part-time/full-time positions, please forward resume and cover letter to contact@rlscary.org.



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In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, July 31, 6:00 pm - 53

Sunday, August 1, 8:00 am - 51

Sunday, August 1, 9:30 am - 81

Sunday, August 1, 11:00 am - 74

Total In-Person Worship: 259**Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel**

Sunday, August 1

8:00 am - 125 views 11:00 am - 43 views

Total Online Views: 168**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		\$19,621.56
Average Weekly Giving for 2020/21		\$22,443.92
Average Weekly Giving Budgeted for 2020/21		\$23,750.00

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Weekly Announcements Deadline: Thursday

Submit to Susan.Moore@RLCary.org.**Calendar for the Week of August 8-15****Sunday**

8:00 am Worship, Sanctuary/Online
 9:30 am Worship/Communion, Sanctuary
 11:00 am Praise Worship/Communion, FLC/Online
 12:00 pm Children's Church Training, Room 151/FLC
 1:00 pm Oromo Ev. Lutheran, Fellowship Hall
 3:30 pm Mekane Yesus, Fellowship Hall

Monday

11:00 am Prayer Community, Online

Tuesday

9:30 am Visual Faith, Fellowship Hall
 1:00 pm Piecemakers Quilting, Room 151/FLC
 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting, Online

Wednesday

11:00 am Kathy Martin Memorial, Sanctuary
 12:00 pm Kathy Martin Reception, Fellowship Hall
 2:00 pm Church Staff Meeting, Fellowship Hall
 6:30 pm Usher Orientation, Fellowship Hall

Thursday

10:00 am RLS/RLP First Aid Class, Room 240
 6:00 pm Reign! Rehearsal
 7:30 pm College Crew, Warehouse

Friday**Saturday**

8:00 am Men's Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
 9:00 am Men's Basketball, FLC Gym
 6:00 pm Worship/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
 2:00 pm NYG Info Meeting, Room 240, FLC
 3:30 pm Mekane Yesus, Fellowship Hall
 5:30 pm Stephen Ministry Sunday Group, Room 140

...BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT...
 SINGING & MAKING MELODY
 TO THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART.



Ephesians 5:18-19, ESV