

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

October 10, 2021



Pastor Jonathan's Corner for October 10-16

Wholesome Food for the Soul in a "Jesus-Lite" World (James 5:13-20)

I read an interesting devotion recently that compared the insatiable demand for convenience and fast food in America to the way people so often seem to “do faith”— especially the Christian faith. The author of that devotion, Sharron Blezard, writes, “It seems the traditional [church] structure has come to resemble the processed food industry: give consumers an easy, quick, tasty, and cost-effective product that requires little investment and is easily disposable. Perhaps we need something akin to the slow food movement in our spiritual lives. Instead of an easily digestible dose of Jesus-lite, perhaps we need to return to an organic mix of spiritual practices in community” (cf. “Rx for Broken Lives,” [SOLI](#) newsletter, 2021).

What might such “slow food movement” spiritual practices in community look like? St. James has an answer. He envisions people of faith who gather together... praying with one another, confessing their sins to one another, and carrying one another’s burdens (James 5:13-19). In the end, it isn’t you and I who do this, but God who is at work in us by the very body and blood of Jesus we receive together, week after week. God is always there to love us and care for us; especially during the crises of life. But that would be little comfort without real flesh-and-blood people at work in the world. We have opportunities each day to be available to one another.

There’s a hymn I used to sing as a child: “Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you? Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too!” What a wonderful God we have! Jesus is not only our Savior and friend... but as a Servant to God and to God’s people He laid down His very own life that we might live forever. Our sins are forgiven. “Jesus-lite” now pales in comparison with the Table of our Lord where we eat and drink Jesus’ body and blood for our forgiveness and the nourishment of our souls! Though our care for one another will never be perfect, the perfect flesh-and-blood Son of God lives within us and is at work through us. We serve one another... and are served by one another... all because of the risen Christ in and among us! Let’s do all we can to gather often and in-person. If you are unable to worship in person at RLC for any reason and desire a visit, please reach out either to me or Pastor Alan (alan.shaw@rlcary.org) so we can add you to our regular visitation schedule.

New Member Recognition This Sunday, in the 9:30 AM Worship Service

Please join us in welcoming the newest members of Resurrection Lutheran Church this weekend:

David and Lois Birner

Laura Fussell

Greg and Shane Jarvis

Martin Kunkel

Kelsey Sarrault (Pastor Zach)

Rosie Spangenberg

Join us for a brief time of fellowship in the outside breezeway between the office and narthex entrances, as we welcome these newest “members of the family” to RLC!

Weekly Fellowship on Sundays at RLC

I'm grateful to Kim Simpson for organizing weekly opportunities for coffee and treats between our Sunday morning services. Time for conversation over your morning Joe will be available in the Fellowship Hall every 2nd and 4th Sunday between the 8 and 9:30 AM services. Coffee and snacks will be available between the 9:30 and 11 AM services in Room 151 (Family Life Center) every 1st and 3rd Sunday. Take a little extra time to get to know your friends and “family” at RLC! You'll be glad you did.

Haiti Relief through Food for the Poor: Rev. Dr. James Stoltenberg Visits October 16-17

I invite you to come to RLC the weekend of October 16 and 17 ready to learn more about a worthy organization that works cooperatively with the LCMS to provide food relief for people in Western Hemisphere countries: Food for the Poor. The needs in Haiti after the earthquake this year remain overwhelming. But you can help. Envelopes for direct donations to FFTP will be provided and collected after every service. Pastor Stoltenberg will be preaching in the 6 PM Saturday and 8, 11 AM Sunday services. He will also make a presentation and answer questions about Food for the Poor during the 9:30 Adult Sunday School hour.

Outdoor Worship Service at Ritter Park, October 31 at 11 AM

If you have been staying away from weekly worship services at RLC because you are avoiding gatherings of people indoors, we have an event you will want to hear about! On Reformation Sunday, October 31, we will be gathering at Ritter Park at 11 AM for a joint service of worship and praise with our sister congregations Oromo Evangelical Lutheran Church and Ethiopian Evangelical Mekane Yesus Lutheran Church. There will be activities for children prior to the service and finger foods provided from the Ethiopian congregations following our worship together. Save the date! We look forward to seeing you in the park.

Love and joy in Christ,
Pastor Jonathan

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Sleep in Heavenly Peace

First priority is providing beds for children who are sleeping in compromised situations. That may mean on the floor, on a pile of blankets, or on a couch. A volunteer crew recently delivered to a family of 3 little girls that had all been sleeping on the same (broken) twin size bed. That same night a bed was delivered to a 17-year-old that had never had a bed of his own. Sleep in Heavenly Peace provides the bed, mattress, and bedding to each child.

Bedlessness is a real problem in the US with 2-3% of the population sleeping without beds. Two questions are asked of the applicants: is the child over 3 and under 18 years, and do they currently not have a bed. To date, the 230+ Sleep

in Heavenly Peace chapters have built and delivered more than 60,000 beds in the US. The problem has now been identified.

Second priority is to enable the community to help solve this problem. This can be accomplished with volunteer builds sponsored by local churches, businesses, and individuals. Sleep in Heavenly Peace provides all the tools, the expertise, and a Covid compliant process that allows people with little or no experience to build all the components for a solid, wood bunk bed. It is always a fun-filled half day that ends with the branding of the beds. The fellowship is wonderful and the ability to solve a problem for others leaves everyone feeling a bit better about the world!

Resurrection Lutheran Church will be sponsoring a Sleep in Heavenly Peace **Build Day on Saturday, November 20** from 7:30 am-3:00 pm. Mark your calendars! We will need 50 volunteers for the build. Sign up will be available closer to the date.

NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN!



*Prayers
of the Church*

Worship Bulletins

[click here](#)

[click here](#)



Altar Flowers

Flowers placed on the Altar in loving memory
of Sarah Peterson on her 27th birthday
by her family.



Saturday, October 9

We will use the Taize format of worship for
the Saturday, 6:00 pm service.

A darkened setting with candles, singing of short ostinato
refrains of Biblical and liturgical phrases, periods of
quiet for reflection, the celebration of communion,
readings, and sermon.

STAFF ANNIVERSARIES FOR 2021

Join us as we celebrate the staff anniversaries
occurring this year at all services, October 9-10.

At Resurrection, we celebrate individual anniversaries
on a five year interval basis.

This year, we celebrate

DIANE HOOPER AND SUSAN MOORE

for their 5 years of service!

Diane is the Director of Resurrection Lutheran Preschool.
Prior to Director, she was a RLP Teacher for 15+ years.

Susan is our Communications Specialist.



Dave and Lois Birner



Laura Fussell



Greg and Shane Jarvis



Martin Kunkel



Kelsey Sarrault



Rosie Spangenberg

**Thank you for helping them
connect and get to know their RLC Family!**

Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, October 9-10. 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 RLC, and mailed directly to the church. (Donna Krupcale, Resurrection Lutheran Church, 100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518)

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday, October 9 at 8:00 am
Fellowship Hall



Come gather for fellowship, food, and message.
All men welcome.

Contact Tom Gebbia or mens-ministry@rlcary.org.



Veterans Lunch Crew

Wednesday, October 13
at 12:00 pm

O'Charley's
101 Ashville Avenue, Cary

RSVP through RCB



The **Southeastern District (SED)** is hosting a virtual Lutheran Educators Conference on **Friday, October 15, 2021**. The conference will begin with Opening Worship at Resurrection Lutheran Church at 9:00 am, including the Installation of Tom Kolb as Facilitator for Schools, Youth, and Family Ministry.

The Opening Worship will be held in the Sanctuary with Pastor Mike Merker preaching, Pastor Zach Sarrault as liturgist, and the installation by SED President John Denninger. Sally Hiller will also be present. This service is open to the public and all are invited to attend.

It will also be live streamed through [RLC's YouTube channel](#).

Joint Outdoor Worship Service

What? Outdoor Worship Service at Resurrection Lutheran Church (with Holy Communion)

Who? All members and friends of Resurrection Lutheran Church, together with our brothers and sisters at the Ethiopian Evangelical Mekane Yesus Lutheran Church and Oromo Evangelical Lutheran Church

When? October 31, at 11 AM

Where? Ritter Park (just across the street and a one block west, off of W. Lochmere Drive)

Why? To praise God (of course!) and celebrate the beauty of God's creation together without mask restrictions, outdoors

We hope to see you there!



**Join us at
9:30 am
for
Sunday
School!**

2-4 year olds (Room 134)
Kindergarten-1st Grade (Room 131)
2nd-3rd Grade (Room 133)
4th-5th Grade (Room 132)
6th-8th Grade (Room 246)
9th-12th Grade (The Warehouse)



Resurrection Lutheran Church Presents:

TRUNK OR TREAT

Sunday, Oct 31st

3:00 – 4:30 PM

Resurrection Lutheran Parking Lot
Rain Backup: Family Life Center
100 W Lockmere Drive

Food 🍁 Games 🍁 Fun 🍁 Prizes

Please consider passing out candy or hosting a game from the trunk of your car, in addition to joining in on the fun!

Questions? maryann.unger@rlcary.org

For more information regarding the Children and Family Ministry, rlcary.org/ministries/children-and-family-ministry.

Isn't it great to see the preschoolers again as you walk up to church during the week? At RLP, we are maintaining "class bubbles" in order to stay as healthy and safe as possible during this school year. Since children attending preschool are not yet eligible for the Covid vaccine, masks are worn by adults and children in our 3-year-old and older classes.

You can help by wearing a mask as you pass by preschoolers when they are outside on the sidewalk. The best time to come to RLC to avoid the RLP carpool is 9:45 am-12:00 pm and after 1:15 pm in the afternoon, Monday-Friday. We appreciate your partnership in helping us all to stay **HEALTHY** and **SAFE TOGETHER!**

IGNITE

October Events:
 Warehouse Wednesdays
 Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27
 Youth Group
 October 24
 @ 3:00pm-4:30pm

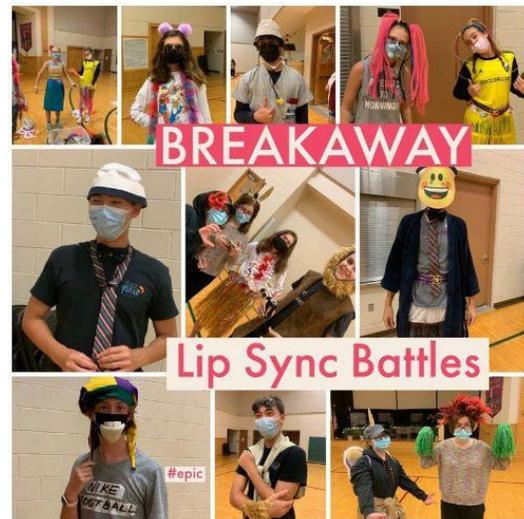
Service Event
 Trunk or Treat
 Oct. 31st 2-4:30



BREAKAWAY
 Schedule

Oct. 10 Cornhole
 Oct. 17 Goose Chase
 Oct. 24 Happy Fall Y'all

Service Opportunity!
 We need everyone!
 Oct. 31
 2:00pm-4:45pm



The National Youth Gathering (NYG) deadline has been extended by LCMS. If your youth is interested, please reach out to Jenny.Piontek@rlcary.org.

For more information regarding Student Ministry, including event calendars for Ignite (middle school youth group) and Breakaway (high school youth group), rlcary.org/ministries/student-ministry.



Tanya Johnson

Tanya Johnson has graciously offered to manage a group order of **magnetic name tags**, as shown. Cost is \$10 and payment can be made to the church office or placed in the offering plates.

This first order will be placed on Tuesday for any paid requests received by Monday afternoon. An additional order will be placed as more requests and payments are made.

If interested, email Tanya [here](#) and include your full name.

Advance Directive Opportunity

An Advance Directive allows you to express your wishes for future healthcare and to guide decisions about that care. It does not address financial decisions. Although there is no legal requirement for you to have an advance directive, having one may help you to receive the healthcare you desire. If you are 18 years old or older and are able to make and communicate healthcare decisions, you can complete an Advance Directive.

The Stephen Ministry at Resurrection is inviting the WakeMed Advance Care Planning Program Coordinator, Monica Young, to our campus on **November 6 at 2:00 pm** in Room 240, Family Life Center. Monica will be able to explain the Advance Directive form and answer any questions that you may have. She is also a Notary Public and will be able to support the completion of the document, if requested, that requires a notarized signature.

If you are interested, contact Ron Bostick at office@rlcary.org. Ron will follow up with a copy of the Advance Directive form that will be presented at the session.



Resurrection Lutheran Preschool Punchlines

Teacher: "How was your trip to see your Grandpa?"

Boy: "I didn't see my grandpa, I saw Poppy Jim."

Registration for the 2021-22 Preschool Year Continues

Openings are available in our **transitional-kindergarten** (young 5-year-old), **4-year-old**, **3-year-old**, and **2-year-old** classes. Email office@rlpcary.org or call 919-851-7270 to enroll or schedule an individual tour.



Next Week:
Wednesday, October 13
Early Release at 11:30 am
Thursday, October 14
Friday, October 15
No School
(Teacher Workdays)

Resurrection Lutheran School Chapel on Wednesday, October 13 will be held at 11:00 am. All chapel services are live streamed through RLC's YouTube channel (youtube.com/resurrectionlutheranchurchcarync).

Learn More about RLS: [Resurrection Lutheran School \(rlscary.org\)](https://rlscary.org)

RLS Lion's Tale

In-Person Services

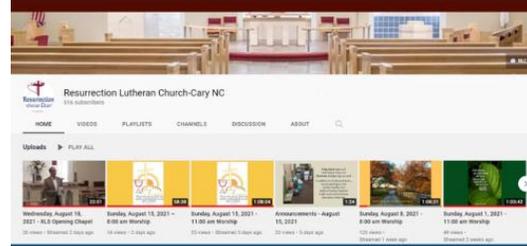


Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
Saturday, 6:00 pm
Sunday, 8:00 am and 9:30 am

Praise Worship
in the Family Life Center
Sunday, 11:00 am

Live Stream Worship

Sundays at 8:00 am, 11:00 am



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

Visual Faith for October 10

Attendance and Giving

Church Calendar

Prayers of the Church – October 10, 2021

*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*

We lift the following prayer requests this week:

Ongoing Prayers

*Diane Cuper, *Eve Sommers, *David Brooks, *Anne Altieri, *Charlotte Raines, *Eric Hammergren, *Anita Moore, *John Shaeffer, *Vern Ebert, *Aaron, *Marcus, *Malcolm, *Sandy Nigg, Michael Flannery, *Helen Campbell, Henry Otten, *Lena Licciardi, Paul Batt, Peter and Esther Kuo, Marc and Elizabeth Langefeld's Baby Adoption, *Linda Crandall, Jackson Buser, *Geoffrey Wiggins, Caitlyn, Mark Zimmerman

Ongoing Cancer Treatments

*Mike Allen, Anne Price, *Gary Ferro, Angie Price, Alison Zieglmeier, Carol Diliberto, Jim Metz, Roseanne Candiello, Janice Sommers, Fernley Wagner, *Doug Spitz, Jackie, Linda H., Kathy Siemon, Joe Kupsky, Scott Brinkley, Pete Brown, *Elaine Wood, *Bill Xenakis, *Greg Sigmon, Chris McLaughlin, Hunter Stocks, Linda, Mark Raines, Jimmy Ketner, Hope Mackelprang

For Expectant Moms

Lija, Mya

Those Prayed For on October 3, 2021

Thanking God Today

- Trevor, Home from Hospital
- Garrett and Rachel's Wedding
- Improved Health - Lee, Gil, and Brooklyn
- COVID Booster Shots
- Family Birthdays and Anniversaries
- Safe Travel and Vacations
- Our Many Blessings

For Healing

- Those Ill or Recovering with Covid, Especially Sandra
- Rev. Jim McDaniels, Susan Langlais
- Nancy
- Diane, Radiation Treatments
- Eve, Janice, Andrea, Justin, Red, Brian, Tim, Will, Elijah, Dave, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Anne, AnnMarie, Skylar, Lena, Hope, Bob, Donnie, Lauren, Justus, Ron, Mel, Melissa, Marilyn, Marlo, Tom, Karen, Ken, Herman, Gavin, Harold, Madison, Jane, Kathi, Dawn

For Those Recovering From Surgeries and/or Procedures

- *Pat Otten, *Eve, Kathy Siemon
- Andrea, Coffeehouse Guest, Recovery from Stroke
- Those Preparing for Surgery, Especially Tim Jenkins

For Comfort

- Wife Jordi and Family, Friends, and Colleagues of David Calloway
- Families of Domestic Violence Victims

For Protection, Wisdom, and Discernment

- Healthcare Workers Worldwide, Especially Our Members Serving in Area Hospitals
- All Caregivers, Especially Those Caring for Those with Dementia and Alzheimer's
- Those Searching for Jobs and New Job Paths, Especially *Tom
- RLS Board, Staff, and Interim Leadership for the Work of the Call Committee for Principal
- RLC Coffeehouse and Blind Ministry, Guidance for When to Reopen
- Persecuted Christians
- Uganda Church

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
- Fernley Wagner, Starting Radiation Treatments October 6

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

- Pastor Jonathan and Juli, Associate Pastor Zack and Kelsey, Assistant Pastor Alan, Faith and Family, and Area Pastors
- RL Church and RL Schools Staff

For Our Missionaries

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

*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.*

***RLC Members**

Updated 10/8/21

Attendance and Giving

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, October 2

6:00 pm - 37

Sunday, October 3

8:00 am - 79; 9:30 am - 66; 11:00 am - 59

Total In-Person Worship: 241

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, October 3

8:00 am - 124 views

11:00 am - 58 views

Total Online Views: 182

In-Person Sunday School Attendance

Sunday, October 3

Adult - n/a

Youth - 20

Total In-Person Sunday School Attendance: 20

General Fund Giving and Spending - August 2021

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 100,209.27	\$ 189,002.21
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 97,199.46</u>	<u>\$ 195,756.47</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ 3,009.81	\$ - 6,754.26

Last Week's Offerings: \$34,005.37

Average Weekly Giving for 2020/21: \$22,198.24

Average Weekly Giving Budgeted for 2020/21: \$25,735.58

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.

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