

# Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

November 14, 2021

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*Pastor's Corner for November 14-20*

## **The Blessing of God's "Rumble Strips" (Mark 13:1-13)**

"Watch." Jesus' call to watch in our text today reminds me of something rather mundane that we've all experienced: rumble strips. They're also called sleeper lines, audible lines, "the corduroy," and "growlers." We've all seen them. We've all driven over them and heard them, too! Rumble strips are a safety feature alerting drivers to potential danger by causing a vibration people can feel and hear as the wheels of their car pass over them. Like rumble strips, Jesus' admonition to watch in our Gospel Reading for this weekend may be intended to jar us awake, should we nod off and drift toward the ditch in life— forgetting that life's endings are real and that

this world is passing away. Watch! Wake up! Jesus says. The path to eternity calls for our undivided attention! But the goal of God's rumble strips is not to cause us to wonder about our destination. Their goal is to get us driving down the road better prepared for and anticipating what is coming around the corner... staying alert to see what GOD has in store and what GOD will do to prepare us for the journey He has ordained for us. Our journey's end is sure, because Jesus has established our way home to heaven! The end of the church year is a good time to remember that our days on this earth are limited. But having our hope restored in Christ means that no matter what life brings, everything will be all right. We have a forever home. Let's celebrate that again this weekend, as we gather together, in worship.

### **Mask Optional for All Fully Vaccinated Worshippers Resumed Last Weekend, November 6**

Masks/face coverings are now optional for all fully vaccinated folks in all worship services and in-person events indoors. However, if you visit the church office area between 9 AM and 1 PM Monday through Friday, we ask that you wear a mask regardless of vaccination status due to the close proximity of Resurrection Lutheran Preschool children at that time of day. (Preschool students and staff remain displaced from their normal rooms due to renovations underway in the Preschool wing of the building.)

### **RLC Livestream of Holy Communion to Be Discontinued November 28 (Advent 1)**

It has been almost one year and a half since RLC began live streaming services containing the Lord's Supper. Though the Communion portion of our services was never recorded or left up on our YouTube channel, we have invited those unable to worship at home to take part in the Sacrament virtually, assuming they watched the live feed of the service when services began. Beginning November 28, this practice of live streaming Holy Communion in worship services will be discontinued. Why?

- The practice was, from the very beginning, always intended to be temporary.
- Online viewing of RLC worship services has diminished over the last six months as people return to in-person worship

- We are still able to offer the opportunity to celebrate the Lord's Supper in person through personal visits in the home or smaller gatherings in the church sanctuary (those distributing the Sacrament in these settings are all fully vaccinated).

Worship services at 8 and 11 AM will continue to be livestreamed. However, starting on the 28<sup>th</sup>, the portion of each service containing Holy Communion will no longer be broadcast. Please make a note of the change. If you desire Holy Communion and are unable to worship with us in person, please contact the church office to make arrangements for an in-person visit. Questions? don't hesitate to be in touch with either myself or the church office.

### **Pledge Cards for Stewardship Weekend 2021 Available for In-Person Worship This Weekend and Online**

Our congregation's Pledge Weekend event is this weekend: November 13-14. Please take part by either submitting your pledge card in person, or else [submitting a pledge online here](#). The purpose of your pledge is not for our own church budgeting or fundraising efforts. It is for your own Christian walk. No matter how you submit your pledge, it will be completely confidential. It will encourage you to embrace the joy of Christian discipleship that only God can give! I say it all the time: RLC is a generous congregation! We strive to serve God with the time, talent, and treasure that has been entrusted to us. With glad and thankful hearts for all that God has already done for us— and continues to provide— let us therefore dedicate a portion of what we have for the work of God's Kingdom at RLC. Now is the time.

Love and joy in Christ,  
Pastor Jonathan

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## The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

The church, since the 8th century AD, has set aside a day to remember the lives of the saints. Saints are all of us ordinary people who have been set apart for a special purpose. Last Sunday, we prayed for all who in the past year have grieved the loss of beloved family members. We have especially prayed that God's comfort be with the family of \**Elaine Wood* as they mourn.



*Prayers  
of the Church*

*Worship Bulletins*

[click here](#)

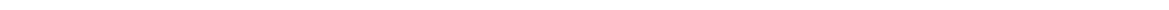
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weekend

November 13-14

[Click Here for Online Pledge Form](#)



## Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, November 13-14. 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 Donna at church. (*Donna Krupcale, % Resurrection Lutheran Church, 100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518*)

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.*

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## Sleep in Heavenly Peace



Join us on Saturday, November 20,  
with Sleep in Heavenly Peace  
to build bunk beds  
and get children off of the floor!

[Click Here to Sign Up](#)

We all agree that sleep is important to our well-being and health. Sadly, there are too many children across the country in need of a proper bed. Sleep in Heavenly Peace's mission is to change that and we have the opportunity once again to collaborate with SHP to build bunk beds for families in need.

Join us on **Saturday, November 20**, when we get the opportunity to work alongside SHP in building beds and getting children off of the floor!

**WE NEED 50 ADULT VOLUNTEERS.** No skills necessary, just a heart called to share God's love and hands for serving! Sign up today at [bit.ly/RLCforSHP](http://bit.ly/RLCforSHP).

Learn more at [Sleep in Heavenly Peace \(shpbeds.org\)](http://Sleep in Heavenly Peace (shpbeds.org)) or from our RLC contact, Sandy Nigg.

*No kid sleeps on the floor in our town!*



### **Prophets Pointing to Jesus**

You might have heard this phrase before, “The whole Bible is about Jesus” or “all of Scripture points to Jesus” but phrases like that can raise a lot of questions. In what way does it really all point to Jesus? When we read parts of the Bible, especially the Old Testament, it can be hard to see Jesus in some of the stories. That is the topic we look forward to tackling in our upcoming Sunday morning Bible Study! As we are heading towards Advent and the celebration of our Savior's birth, we will look at some of the Old Testament prophets and how they pointed to Jesus' birth. Throughout the study, we will also look at the historical context of these particular prophets to help us better understand why this message of a Savior was so important for them and why it is still important for us today!

**This new adult Christian education class, team led by Pastors Jonathan and Zach, will be held on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 am. The class will run November 7-December 19, with no class held on November 28 or December 12. No need to register, just plan to attend in Room 240, Family Life Center.**

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## **Christian Caregiving**

Have you ever had a friend or neighbor who was hurting spiritually or emotionally? Have you ever wanted to share, with another person, the love and caring you may have received from fellow Christians? Have you ever known someone who was being consumed by guilt and needed the freedom that God's forgiveness brings?

Have we got the course for you! RLC will be offering a 6-week course based on the book, *Christian Caregiving: A Way of Life*, by Kenneth Haugk, pastor and clinical psychologist who is the founder of the Stephen Series (Stephen Ministry). This course will help you discover ways to become a distinctively Christian caregiver.

Beginning on **Sunday, November 7**, the class will meet in Room 251, Family Life Center, at 9:30 am during the Sunday school hour for 6 weeks.

Contact Sue Campau, Jan Boyer, or Pastor Alan Shaw to sign up and make arrangements to receive a copy of the book.

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# COFFEE & Fellowship

Join us  
under the breezeway  
from 9:00-9:30 am!



Help decorate the church for Christmas,  
order a poinsettia today!

Cost is \$18 per plant.  
Orders are due by November 21.

**Click here to order online  
or complete form while at church.**

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## Christmas Store

Would you like to help provide presents for children in need this Christmas?

The Christmas Store provides financially-challenged parents with an appointment to choose free toys for their children, age 14 and under. Families living in Apex, Holly Springs, Willow Spring, Cary, Fuquay-Varina, Morrisville, or New Hill are referred by local aid organizations or school counselors.

Typically, partner organizations ask their patrons, members, and customers to donate new toys for toddlers to teens and deliver them back to their location or to directly to United Church in Apex, which hosts the store.

At Resurrection Lutheran Church, we place Christmas trees with gift tags in the Narthex and Family Life Center. Please pick up a tag, purchase the item, then place the unwrapped toy with tag attached back under the tree.



Another way to help stock the Christmas Store is by purchasing toys online at your favorite retailer and have them delivered directly to United Church, 820 East Williams Street, Apex, NC 27502.

**All toy donations are due by November 28, 2021.**

For gift ideas or a direct link to shopping online, check out the Christmas Store's Amazon profile page using this QR Code.



Visit the Christmas Store's website at [ChristmasStoreNC.com](https://ChristmasStoreNC.com), Facebook page at [TheChristmasStore](https://TheChristmasStore), or [Amazon for Gift Ideas](https://Amazon.com).

## Stephen Ministry



Now is the time to consider attending Stephen Ministry class! To keep Stephen Ministry going strong, we need congregation members who are willing to answer Jesus' call to be trained as lay caregivers, called Stephen Ministers. This distinctively Christian training includes a variety of topics such as listening, assertiveness, maintaining boundaries in caregiving, and grief, focusing on how to provide care while God cures.

When our new Stephen Ministers have completed their training, they will be commissioned and ready to begin their ministry. Working under supervision, these Stephen Ministers will be available to meet weekly with people experiencing grief, illness, job loss, divorce, relocation, and other life difficulties.

Being a Stephen Minister may be one of the most fulfilling and transformative ministries you will ever be a part of. You will grow spiritually and gain skills to use not only in your caring ministry but also in your everyday relationships with family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers.

RLC's **next training class begins January 9, 2022** and runs through June 5, 2022 (with a break for Easter and Mother's Day. Classes will be held from 2:00-4:00 pm on Sunday afternoons here at the church. We invite you to think and pray about this opportunity. If you're interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, contact any of the Pastors, Ron Bostick, Jan Boyer, Sue Campau, or Bill Xenakis and we can talk about how you can get started.

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## Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels of Wake County has kept seniors in Wake County well nourished, less isolated, and safer in their homes since 1974. Volunteers and staff deliver lunchtime meals while providing comforting check-ins to homebound seniors.

Seniors with the ability to leave home can come enjoy a hot meal in the company of friends at one of our Friendship Cafe locations.

*You can help!* Meals on Wheels is seeking volunteers to deliver meals to homebound seniors, as well as part-time staff to manage meal delivery sites, and Friendship Cafe locations.

For volunteer details and to sign up, [wakemow.org/volunteer-application-mow-wake-county](http://wakemow.org/volunteer-application-mow-wake-county).

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K.I.C.K.S. (Kids In Christ Keep Shining)  
Youth Group for Grades 3-5

**Friday, November 19**  
**6:00-7:30 pm**

**Join us for devotion, games,  
and s'mores around the fire pit!**

**Please eat dinner prior to event.**

**We are collecting gloves, hats,  
and socks for youth and adult.**

If you cannot attend but would still like to donate, please feel free to drop off in the church office. If you are a RLS student, you can give them to Mr. Unger.

Bring a friend!

RSVP to Mrs. Unger at [maryann.unger@rlcary.org](mailto:maryann.unger@rlcary.org).

For more information regarding the Children and Family Ministry, [rlcary.org/ministries/children-and-family-ministry](http://rlcary.org/ministries/children-and-family-ministry).

**IGNITE**  
**Service Event**  
**Nov. 20th**  
**9:00am - 11:00am**

We will be tying off quilts and creating bags and cards to go with the beds!




**Donations gladly accepted** 😊

High School and Middle School Youth Love:  
 \*Capri Suns  
 \*Candy  
 \*Individually packaged chips



Need a place for the extra Halloween Candy? We will take it!

**BREAKAWAY TRIVIA NIGHT**  
**NOV. 14 @ 6:30PM**

WHO WAS BORN IN A STABLE?  
 WHICH FRIEND WAS A CHEF?  
 FBI STANDS FOR WHAT?  
 WHAT COLOR IS ELMO?  
 HOW MANY SHEEP WERE LEFT BEHIND?

**PRIZES, FUN, NO STUDYING REQUIRED AND SOME GOOD LAUGHS!**

**BREAKAWAY SERVICE EVENT**  
**Nov. 20 @ RLC**  
**9:00am - 1:00pm**  
**Whole Church EVENT**  
**so sign up now!**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d49aba823a3f4c61-resurrection>



No skills necessary! Come learn, come give, come make a difference for a child in our community!

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](http://rlcary.org/ministries/student-ministry). Contact [Jenny Piontek](#), Youth Director, with any questions.

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## Resurrection Lutheran Preschool



### Preschool Punchlines

A class was learning about manners like the dinosaurs in Jane Yolen's *How Do Dinosaurs...* books.

Teacher: "Remember, we share toys like the dinosaurs did."

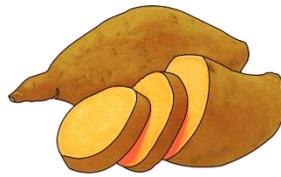
2-year-old boy: "I know, but it [sharing] makes me mad!"

### Registration for the 2021-22 Preschool Year Continues

Our staff is vaccinated and we all wear masks. We partner with our families to keep everyone Healthy Together. Openings for the 2021-22 year are still available. We have classes for children 2-5-years-old, including a transitional-kindergarten class. Join our family today! Email [office@rlpcary.org](mailto:office@rlpcary.org) or call 919-851-7270 to enroll or schedule an individual tour.

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## Resurrection Lutheran School



### **SWEET POTATOES!**

Thanksgiving is rapidly approaching, and with it comes baked sweet potatoes, sweet potato casserole, sweet potato pie, etc. We have had an incredibly generous donation of 175 five-pound bags of organically grown Eastern NC sweet potatoes to sell as a fundraiser for our PSO programming. We are selling these 5 pound bags for \$7.50. **Pick up date is Saturday, November 13 from 12:00-3:00 pm.** Please bring exact change or check. Thank you to Katie Jennings and Nash Produce in Nashville, NC for this amazing donation!

### **RESERVE YOUR SPACE**

The 2022-2023 enrollment period for returning Resurrection Lutheran School students and their siblings will begin on **Monday, November 15, 2021**. It is our expectation that many of the RLS classes will remain at maximum capacity. For that reason, it is important that you re-enroll by November 29, 2021 to reserve a spot in your student's class. After this date, enrollment is open to the public.

Schedule a tour or learn more about RLS (Junior Kindergarten - 8th Grade) at [Resurrection Lutheran School \(rlscary.org\)](http://ResurrectionLutheranSchool.org).

[Current RLS Lion's Tale](#)

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*In-Person Services*

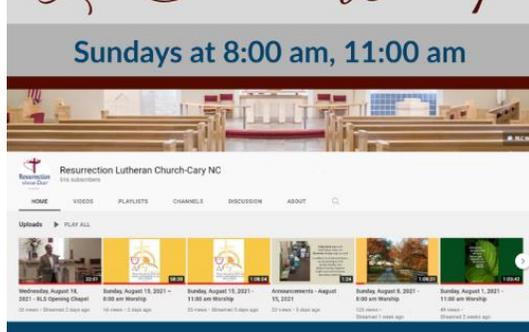


Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary  
 Saturday, 6:00 pm  
 Sunday, 8:00 am and 9:30 am

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](https://youtube.com/ResurrectionLutheranChurchCaryNC)  
 or through our website at  
[rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship](http://rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship).

**Visual Faith for November 14**

**Attendance and Giving**

**Church Calendar**



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## Prayers of the Church – November 14, 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, Justus Nicolai

#### **Ongoing Cancer Treatments**

\*Mike Allen, Anne Price, \*Gary Ferro, Angie Price, Alison Zieglmeier, Carol Diliberto, Jim Metz, Roseanne Candiello, Janice Sommers, Fernley Wagner, Jackie, Linda H., Kathy Siemon, Joe Kupsky, Scott Brinkley, Pete Brown, \*Bill Xenakis, Chris McLaughlin, Linda, Mark Raines, Jimmy Ketner, Hope Mackelprang, Melissa Huntsman, Javed

#### **For Expectant Moms**

Lija, Mya, Kate, Amy, Samantha, Lynn

#### **Those Prayed for on November 7, 2021**

#### **Thanking God Today**

- Consistent Leadership
- Coffeehouse Scheduled for November 12
- Safe Travel for All, Including \*Mike and Vacations
- Widows' Group (Following Naomi)
- Our Many Blessings

#### **For Healing**

- Those Ill or Recovering with Covid-19
- Rev. Jim McDaniels, Susan Langlais
- Andy Rennger
- Mary Newhouse, Breast Cancer
- Wendy, Home with Covid-19
- Tim Day
- Kathy, \*Fran's Sister-In-Law with Lymphoma
- Baby Cason, Baby Riley, Tim, Lena, Hope, Ron, Marlo, Tom, Mike, Rick, Ken, Gavin, Harold, Don, Lucas, Connie, Gretchen, Kaison
- Niece Recovering from Heart Surgery

**For Those Recovering From Surgeries and/or Procedures**

- Tim Jenkins, \*Harry Roberts, \*Karen Ferro
- Ralph Klevenow, Continued Healing
- Lois Orourk, Knee Replacement

**For Comfort**

- Family of Helen Austin, Mother of \*Susan Richard
- Family of Nola Van Scyoc, Mother of \*Joyce Bocksnick

**For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance**

- Healthcare Workers Worldwide, Especially Our Members Serving in Area Hospitals
- All Caregivers, Especially Those Caring for Those with Dementia and Alzheimer's
- Pray That Family Members Come to God as Their Source of Strength
- Stephen Ministry Program and Prospective Attendees
- Teachers and Students, Coping with Anxiety and Being Overwhelmed
- Jack, and Peace for \*Mike and His Brother
- RLP Restoration Following Flooding
- RLS Board, Staff and Interim Leadership for Work of Call Committee for Principal
- For Decisions Concerning Wearing Masks
- Discernment for Young People Looking for Employment

**For Protection, Wisdom, and Discernment**

- RLS Board, Staff, and Interim Leadership for Work of Call Committee for Principal
- RLC's The Coffeehouse and Blind Ministry

**For the Lord's Wisdom, Guidance, and 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 Active Duty Military Members****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 11/11/21*

## Attendance and Giving – November 7, 2021

### In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, November 6  
6:00 pm - 37

Sunday, November 7  
8:00 am - 72; 9:30 am - 113; 11:00 am - 63

**Total In-Person Worship: 285**

### Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, November 7  
8:00 am - 136 views      11:00 am - 50

**Total Online Views: 186**

### General Fund Giving and Spending - September 2021

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 110,697.71	\$ 403,986.20
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 104,294.52</u>	<u>\$ 407,030.33</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ 6,403.19	\$ -3,044.13

Last Week's Offerings: \$33,708.63

Average Weekly Giving for 2020/21: \$22,443.68

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](http://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](mailto:finance@rlcary.org).

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