

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 22, 2022



Pastor's Corner for May 22-28

Tales of Two Cities

(Genesis 11:1-9; Revelation 21:9-14, 21-27)

There are two cities in the Scriptures that almost serve as bookends for the books of the Bible: one half-built city named "Babel" near the Bible's beginning and a perfected, glorious, and holy city called "The New Jerusalem" at the Bible's end. Babel, the city intended to make a name for those who attempted to build it, reflects a self-absorbed humanity estranged from God. The New Jerusalem, a gift from God "coming down from heaven," is a city humanity could never have built. It is a place inhabited by the Lord Almighty and the Lamb and lit up by God's glory. It

is the only city where peace and justice will forever reign and forgiven sinners of every age will find eternal refuge. It is a city founded on the Gospel proclamation of Jesus Christ crucified for you and me. It is a city that welcomes us...a city that includes us and welcomes others, too.

Cities can be magnificent and awe-inspiring. They may boast sports arenas, convenient and clean mass transit, financial institutions, universities, museums, and entertainment venues that are the envy of the rural provinces surrounding them. But human community—even in cities—isn't always what it's cracked up to be. You can be surrounded by people and still be lonely. Cities built by human hands are nothing compared to the city of God.

God gives us Jesus, the Son of God who came to build human community as it has never been built before: so that we, people of broken community that we are, might in some small way reflect the glory of God and welcome all people of the world into God's eternal embrace (John 12:32). Whether that means building homes for the homeless or reconciling ourselves to folks we have wronged, the Spirit of God enables us to live more and more as the holy people God declares us to be. The gates of the New Jerusalem are open. The glory of God and the Lamb is bright. By the grace of God, the holy and eternal city built by God and coming down from above is ours!

Alleluia, Christ is risen!

Habitat for Humanity Lutheran Coalition Build Dedication Service This Weekend

Thanks to the dedicated efforts of so many of you, the house at Kissena Lane in Apex that we have been working on together with our brothers and sisters in Wake County this past year is now completed...and ready to be turned over to its new occupants! There will be a brief service this weekend to recognize this achievement and dedicate the new home. If you'd like to attend, please enter "Kissena Lane" in Apex in your GPS and look for the gathering. The dedication begins at 3 PM this Sunday, May 22.

RLC Gives Thanks to God for Our Neighborhood Community Facilitators This Weekend

I would like to offer up a personal word of thanks for the many people who have served or will soon begin service as Neighborhood Community Facilitators for all 33 of the zones where our church has members residing. We are blessed to be “home” for folks all over the Research Triangle area: from Pittsboro in the west to Wendell, in the east...from Durham in the north to Willow Spring, in the south. Fostering our common bond as one Body of Christ wherever we live and whichever service we attend at RLC is no easy task. These folks are making it a little easier. Please be open to receiving communications from the community facilitator in your zone the next time he or she contacts you by phone or email. And if you are seeking a way to be plugged in to our church community a little more meaningfully right where you live, feel free to take the first step by reaching out to the community facilitator in your Zone today! [Find a map of the Research Triangle that lists your location and zone by clicking here.](#) All member locations are color coded by zip code or region. RLC member homes coded purple are within easy walking distance of another member home. You can find the location of the community facilitator in your zone by looking for the “star” in your zone.

In peace and joy,
Pastor Jonathan



*Prayers
of the Church*

Worship Bulletins

[click here](#)

[click here](#)



Neighborhood Community Facilitators

Zone 1: Brenda Peterson (North Central Cary)

Zone 2: Ron Taylor (East Cary)

Zone 3: Ron & Carol Bostick (North Apex)

Zone 4: Bob Shimmel (Central Holly Springs)

Zone 5: Annette Langefeld-Kennedy (NW Raleigh, Durham, Morrisville)

Zone 6: Autumn Yamamura (North Fuquay-Varina, East Holly Springs, South Apex)

Zone 7: Bob Hirt (West Cary: Brookstone, Tatton Place, Arlington Ridge)

Zone 8: Keith & Yvonne Braswell (Fuquay-Varina, Willow Spring)

Zone 9: Faith Junghahn (West Fuquay-Varina, South Holly Springs)

Zone 10: John Viehe (SE Cary, West Raleigh)

Zone 11: John & Virginia Heilman, Sandy & John Eckstein (NW Cary: Amberly, Cary Park)

Zone 12: Sandy Wuori (West Apex, New Hill, Pittsboro)

Zone 13: Bill & Eileen Douglas, Sandra Nigg (West Holly Springs)

Zone 14: Charlotte Beyer (NW Apex, Chapel Hill, Pittsboro)

Zone 15: Suzi Heffner (SE Apex: Hickory Creek, Brighton Forest, Brookshire Manor, West Lake)

Zone 16: Donni Becksford (Central Apex, West Cary)

Zone 17: Claudia Guthrie (SW Apex)

Zone 18: Devin & Heather Hildale (SW Cary, Apex)

Zone 19: Terry & Sandy Brummeyer (Lochmere Area)

Zone 20: Dara Linn & Bonnie Wolfe (NW Cary: Highcroft, Heritage Pines, Wellsley)

Zone 21: Stacy Miller (South Apex)

Zone 22: Glenda Moser (SW Raleigh: Bradford Place, Huntingwood Estates, Renaissance Pk, Bryn Mawr)

Zone 23: Diana Rogers (Central Cary)

Zone 24: Tim and Karol LaCroix (NE Cary)

Zone 25: Dorothy Conners (South Raleigh, Garner)

Zone 26: Ron Carrea (SE Apex and South Raleigh)

Zone 27: Jay & Rebecca Indla (South Cary, Apex, Raleigh)

Zone 28: Elke Cerny (West Cary: Savon Heights, Olde Salem, Ashcroft, Trappers Forest)

Zone 29: Keith Leister (South Central Cary)

Zone 30: Tom Gebbia (South Cary: South Chase, Renaissance, Falconer's Ridge, Meadows at Kildaire)

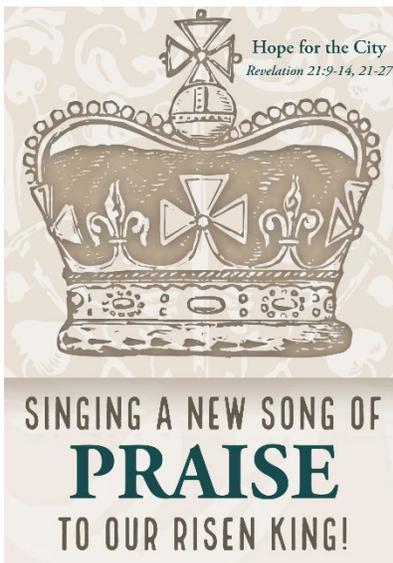
Zone 31: Rosie Spangenberg (RLC Neighborhood)

Zone 32: Kathy Rihani (SE Cary and SW Raleigh)

Zone 33: Daisy Morris (Raleigh and Wendell)

Singing a New Song

No, this is not a recruitment for more musicians at RLC (though if you are musical, contact Bob Unger or Chris Reed). This is our new sermon series for the season of Easter. Christ is risen! And that is reason to "sing praises" to God in all that we do! The book of Revelation gives us a glimpse of the heavenly Kingdom where all believers will sing a new song of praise to the risen Lamb, Jesus. As people of the heavenly Kingdom dwelling here below, we have the new song now. So we sing! But it's not just the vocal singing in worship, it is the way we live our lives for our risen King as we live out our worship of Him every day.



Sunday Morning Adult Christian Ed

Last Class!

NURTURING YOUR FAITH



Nurturing Your Faith ~ Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am

What has God called you to do? Well, we've been called by God to live out our faith in this world. But what does that look like? This is a question all Christians struggle with throughout our faith lives. How does my faith grow? How do I live out my faith? In this upcoming Bible study, we will take a deeper look at how God continues to work in our lives and encourages us to participate with Him in His gifts. As we have been called by God to live in a relationship with Him, we also follow His guidance in how to live out that faith through forgiveness and prayer, two actions that we see Jesus take part in throughout His ministry.

Join us at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall, from March 27-May 22, for this fun and strengthening study team led by Pastors Jonathan, Zach, and Alan!

The last Sunday School until fall for adults and youth is this week, Sunday, May 22.

Also, the Tuesday Morning Bible Study will hold its last class on Tuesday, May 24 at 10:30 am in [Room 151](#) and Zoom.

Flowers placed on the altar
in memory of
my sister, Isabel Castillo de Sallazar
by Cecilia Brown.



Sign up for Altar Flowers in the Sanctuary and Family Life Center.
Click here or call the church office at 919-851-7248.
Flowers are from Cary Florist and cost \$45.



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

Men's Ministry

Men's Breakfast

Men's Breakfast will be **Saturday, May 21** in the Fellowship Hall. Grace is at 8:00 am. Mark your calendars!

Weekly Study and Fellowship

Monday Weekly will wrap up the season on **Monday, May 23** with a potluck starting at 6:30 pm in Room 240 of the Family Life Center.

Men with Kids Study

Men with Kids Wednesday Group continues at 6:30 pm in Room 247 of the Family Life Center.

Questions? Contact Tom Gebbia at mens-ministry@rlcary.org.

Pray for Our Military

God, we honor and praise you as our Creator and Savior through you we ask praise and honor bestowed on all those who serve to protect and defend us. As a Sovereign Father in your power, watch over those who serve in our armed forces, today and of past, and provide protection oversight for their families with Your strength and comfort.

As we approach Armed Forces Day, we will hear the songs for each service. The USMC-Marine Corps Song and Navy Song:

USMC Song

"From the Halls of Montezuma
To the shores of Tripoli;
We fight our country's battles
On the land as on the sea;
First to fight for right and freedom
And to keep our honor clean;
We are proud to claim the title
Of United States Marine

Our flag's unfurled to every breeze
From dawn to setting sun;
We have fought in ev'ry clime and place
Where we could take a gun;
In the snow of far-off Northern lands
And in sunny tropic scenes;
You will find us always on the job
The United States Marines

Navy Song

Anchors Aweigh, my boys, Anchors Aweigh.
Farewell to college joys, we sail at break of
day-ay-ay-ay.
Through our last night on shore, drink to the foam,

Until we meet once more:

Here's wishing you a happy voyage home.

Stand, Navy, out to sea, Fight our battle cry;
We'll never change our course, So vicious foe
steer shy-y-y-y.
Roll out the TNT, Anchors Aweigh.
Sail on to victory
And sink their bones to Davy Jones, hooray!

Yay, A Baby Is On The Way!

Join us on **Sunday, June 5** anytime between 9:00 and 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall to congratulate Pastor Zach and Kelsey Sarrault on their upcoming little one! Please no gifts, cards are welcome.

Questions? Contact [Kim Simpson](#) or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is ready to start meeting in person again! We will start on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month from 4:00-5:30 pm in Room 240, Family Life Center, starting in June. No meeting on June 19, Father's Day.

We have yarn and patterns available for you to use. Interested, but don't know how to knit or crochet? We will teach you! We even have some knitting needles and crochet hooks that you can borrow to test the waters! Not sure you want to commit to a shawl right now? We donate items to WakeMed (mostly baby hats and blankets, but they take all sizes, the larger ones go to the cancer unit), Neighbor to

Neighbor (hats, scarves, and cowls of all sizes), and Christmas at Sea (hats, scarves, cowls, and ditty bags for adults, both men and women).

So come join us on **Sunday, June 5 at 4:00 pm** for more information on all that we do and of course some fun, fellowship, and crafting. Hope to see you there!

Do you know someone who would benefit from being wrapped in God's love? Send me a message and we can arrange to meet in Room 240, so that you can select a shawl for them.

Questions? Contact [Betsy Moll](#) or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

We thank all our volunteers who helped us to have a wonderful Coffeehouse on May 13! We couldn't do it without our faithful volunteers. *Please come be a volunteer!* We need setter uppers at 5:00 pm (both food and room), servers at 6:30 pm, and cleaner uppers at 8:30 pm.

The next Coffeehouse is Friday, June 10 in the Family Life Center gym. (We are keeping an eye on the Covid numbers.) Sign Up: <https://bit.ly/3kqoHGN>

Questions? Contact [Brenda Peterson](#) or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

Sleep in Heavenly Peace Durham Seeks CORE Delivery Team Volunteers

Being a CORE delivery volunteer is where you see SHP's mission of "No Kids Sleep On the Floor in Our Town" at work. Apart from working side by side with community volunteers to build beds for kids who don't have a place to sleep, delivering these precious beds to kids and their families is perhaps the greatest reward.

SHP TRAINING AND DELIVERY DAY Saturday, June 25, 2022 | 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

SHP-Durham Warehouse located in Northgate Mall
1058 W. Club Blvd., Durham
Volunteers ages 16 and older are welcome to attend.

Click on this link by June 6th to sign up: [6/25/22 Delivery*](#)

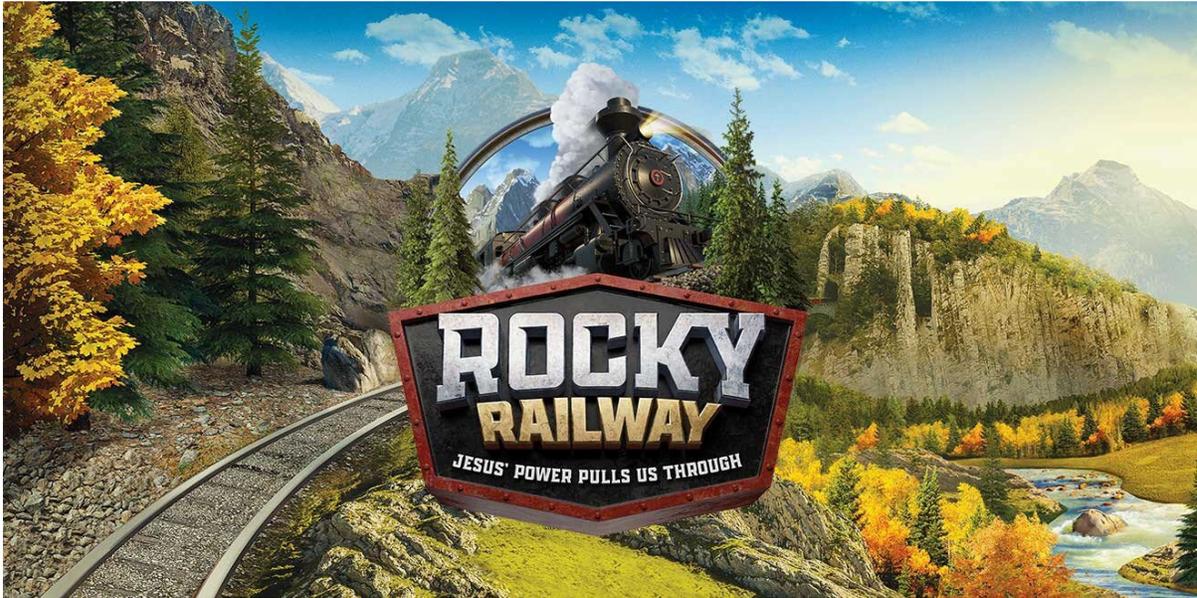
**Volunteers must first attend policy and procedure training prior to delivery day. Click here to participate in this video training:*

[Policy and Procedure Training](#)

Please put in the notes that you are from Resurrection Lutheran Church.

Questions? Contact [Deb Oesterling](#) or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

Children and Family Ministry



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
Monday, June 13-Friday, June 17
9:00 am-12:00 pm

We are so excited to be meeting in person again for Vacation Bible School this summer! This year, we will go on an epic railway adventure that encounters Jesus' power! Climb aboard for mountains of fun at Rocky Railway! On this faith-filled adventure, kids discover that trusting Jesus pulls them through life's ups and downs.

All children ages 3 through rising 5th grade are invited to climb aboard for this year's amazing week in God's Word. Registration is open! Please use online form at rlcary.org/ministries/vacation-bible-school.

****Come have fun with us!*** We are still looking for a few more adults to help during VBS week.

Contact Kelsey Sarrault at kelseysarrault@rlcary.org with any questions or to volunteer.

May 2022 Family Prayer Calendar

Student Ministry

Can you believe we are at the end of the school year? It has been an amazing year and time to wrap it up with a youth favorite event... WATER DAY! Water Day is happening this Sunday and boy, do we have something special planned, so special I have adjusted our play time. A WATERSLIDE IS COMING!

Looking forward...

***Last Sunday School/Connection Cafe** is this Sunday, May 22 from 9:30-10:30 am.

***Water Day!**

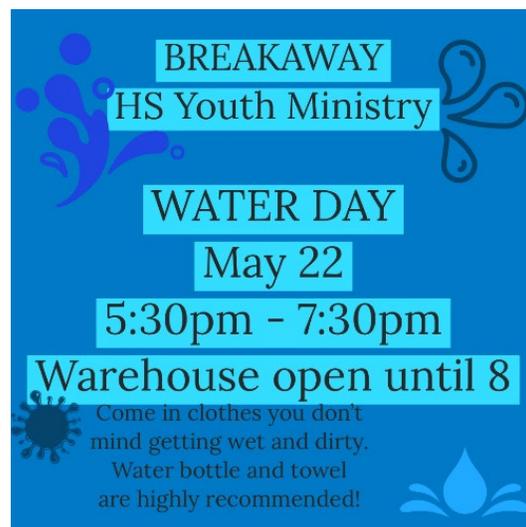
Ignite (Middle School) - 1:30-3:30 pm

Breakaway (High School) - 5:30-7:30 pm

***Blue Ridge Youth Works Mission Trip** - Youth and Parent Meeting on Wednesday, May 25 from 6:45-7:45 pm in Room 240.

***NYG Parent Meeting** on Tuesday, May 31 at 7:00 pm. This is for youth and their parents.

For more information regarding Student Ministry, rlcary.org/ministries/student-ministry. Contact [Jenny Piontek](#), Youth Director, with any questions.



Resurrection Lutheran Preschool



email- office@rlpcary.org
call- 919-851-7270

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

will be offering summer camps for:

3-year-olds

(children currently attending our 2-yr-old classes are eligible)
(**MUST** be toilet-trained)

to rising kindergarteners

June 6 - 9

June 20 - 23

June 27 - 30

Neighbors, friends, & family welcome!

Time to register for next year, 2022-23! There are classes for children, 2-5 years, including Transitional Kindergarten. Join our family today!

Email office@rlpcary.org or call 919-851-7270 to enroll or schedule an individual tour.

Resurrection Lutheran School



Tuesday, May 24

Playground Dedication

at 6:00 pm

Followed by

Spring Arts Festival

at 6:30 pm in Gym

Accepting applications for next year, 2022-23!
Contact admissions@rlscary.org for more information.

Current 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 May 22

Attendance and Giving

Church Calendar



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Prayers of the Church – May 22, 2022

*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, Henry Otten, Michael Flannery, *Helen Campbell, *Lena Licciardi, Paul Batt, Peter and Esther Kuo, Marc and Elizabeth Langefeld's Baby Adoption, *Geoffrey Wiggins, Caitlyn, Mark Zimmerman, Justus Nicolai, Beverly Kunitsky, Mattie Corbett

Ongoing Cancer Treatments

*Mike Allen, Anne Price, *Gary Ferro, Angie Price, Alison Zieglmeier, Carol Diliberto, Roseanne Candiello, Jackie, Linda H., Kathy Siemon, Joe Kupsy, Scott Brinkley, *Bill Xenakis, Linda, Jimmy Ketner, Hope Mackelprang, Melissa Huntsman, Javed, Sue, Kathy

For Expectant Moms

Molly, Kelsey

Those Prayed for on May 15, 2022

Thanking God Today

- *Millie Hiteshew, Out of Hospital and Recovering
- *Daisy Morris, In Rehab
- Our Joyful Participants in Operation InAsMuch on Saturday, May 7
- Return of the Blind Ministry Food and Fellowship, and All Who Volunteered
- Birthdays and Anniversaries
- Safe Travels
- Our RLC Family
- Goal for Permanent Camera Installation Has Been Met
- Andrew's MBA and Birthday
- Our Many Blessings
- Marie's Healing
- Daughter's Pregnancy
- Oliver, Home from Hospital

For Healing

- *Becky Berger
- Carol, Chemotherapy
- *Eric Hammergren, Recovery
- *Hope Studt, Recovery
- Helen, *Sharon Hahne's Mom
- The Stevenson Family
- Laurie Zadow, Mother of *Doug Zadow
- Sherri, Hope, Millie, Laura, Randi, Sandy, Debbie, Justin, Red, Brian, Timmy, Tim, Anne, Anna, Carol, Carlton, Keith, Mark, Skylar, Eric, Jim, Ken, Donald, Harold, Gavin, Jonathan, Shelby, Ellen, Connie, Mara, Sue

For Comfort

- Friends and Family of Dale Pretidge, Sister of *MaryAnn Unger
- Friends and Family of Robin Emerson, Aunt of *Eric Heise

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- People of Ukraine, And All Those Who Serve to Support Them
- Work of Call Committee for Resurrection Lutheran School Principal
- *Randi and Barry Munns
- Annie Ruth Ford, *Dennis Ford's Mom
- Laney, Coping with Bullying and Mental Health Challenges
- *Eric and Jill Hammergren
- Job Opportunities (Heidi, Jason)
- Safe Travels
- Persecuted Christians

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 and Faith, Their Families, and Area Pastors
- Resurrection Lutheran Church and 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.*

Attendance and Giving – May 22, 2022

In-Person Worship Attendance

Sunday, May 15

6:00 pm - 53; 8:00 am - 75; 9:30 am - 116; 11:00 am - 88

Total In-Person Worship: 332

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, May 15

8:00 am - 114; 11:00 am - 41

Total Online Views: 155 views

General Fund Giving and Spending - March 2022

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 94,411.06	\$ 1,073,699.20
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 106,272.99</u>	<u>\$ 1,254,435.92</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ -11,861.93	\$ 19,263.28

Last Week's Offerings: \$20,314.04

Average Weekly Giving for 2020/21: \$24,969.75

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 Vanco Mobile app, search for Resurrection Lutheran Church, transfer funds from your checking or savings account to RLC
(Vanco Mobile replaced GivePlus Mobile on January 31. If you use mobile giving, please refer to this [guide](#) to update to Vanco Mobile.)

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

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