

# Second Sunday After Pentecost

## June 19, 2022

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*Pastor's Corner for June 19-25*

### **Messy Spirituality, 1: Come As You Are (Isaiah 65:1-9; Romans 10:20)**

In the event that you've been living under a rock somewhere and have not heard the news, this past week was VBS week at RLC! If you've ever attended or helped out for a VBS event, you know that there is this wonderful energy that takes place when VBS is underway. A significant part of this year's energy is thanks to Kelsey Sarrault and her team of volunteers who have worked so hard to make the event a success. But no small part of the vibe for those of us who watch the goings on has to do with (1) a room full of children and youth who are there to learn about Jesus; (2) the chance that someone somewhere is having fun and maybe even making a new friend in the process; and (3) the fact that... let's face it, it's summertime!

This week we begin a new summertime sermon series at Resurrection that focuses on Old Testament readings. The Old Testament makes up roughly 75% of the Bible, so it's only fair we should preach on it from time to time! Of course, we won't be ignoring the Gospel readings each week, but we will see how God has a habit of not waiting until people are "presentable" and ready to encounter Him or be called into service on behalf of the world— especially in the Old Testament accounts of Isaiah, Elijah, Abraham and Sarah, and others. God's brand of mercy and grace is a "come as you are," not a "come once you're ready" sort of thing. That's worth celebrating. It not only frees us in our interactions with our messy world. It's also good for each one of us, Jesus' messy disciples!

This week we focus on God's desire to be found by all. "Here I am!" (65:1) He calls out, in the book of Isaiah, with hands spread out. God is present both for those who are seeking Him... as well as for those who may not be (65:1; Rom 10:20). There is no need to try to make ourselves presentable. There are no distinctions. Everyone is messy (Rom 3:22-23). But Jesus, "God with us" (Immanuel) does not stay at a distance. Here He is! Right here. Right now. For you and me!

### **2022-2023 Youth Confirmation and Faith Formation at RLC: Information Sessions Scheduled**

If you are the parent of a young person who desires to enter either Confirmation 1 or 2 instruction beginning in September, we ask that you attend one of two information sessions later this month:

- Sunday, June 26 at 1:30 PM (Room 151 of the Family Life Center) and
- Wednesday, June 29 at 6:30 PM (Room 151 of the Family Life Center)

We ask that you plan to attend one of these sessions even if you or your child has attended such information sessions in the past. There will be much discussed this year that we have not been able to do in recent years, during COVID (Confirmation retreat, etc.). On behalf of Pastors Alan and Zach, and Youth Director Jenny Piontek, I can tell you that we are all excited and ready for a great year of growing closer together to one another and to Jesus. Please come, to find out more!

In peace and joy,  
Pastor Jonathan

*Prayers  
of the Church*

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*Worship Bulletins*

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## Messy Discipleship

Life is messy! Our calendars are full, our phones are buzzing, our families are loud, we have so much going on all the time it can easily feel like our messy lives are spiraling out of our control! We would love it if God waved His strong right hand over our mess and simply made it all disappear. But God does something even greater than that... He enters into our mess and makes us His disciples. By the presence of God the Holy Spirit, our God engages with us as His messy disciples and uses us for His work. In our summer sermon series, we will be taking a look at some Old Testament stories examining the way that God has used and continues to use messy disciples like us in His salvation story.

### Messy Discipleship, 1:



**Here I Am**

Isaiah 65:1-9

## New Member Weekend

Please welcome these new members to Resurrection Lutheran Church!



**Christopher and Gina Alladin**  
Avery, Emily



**Diane Breznik**



**June Buckler**



**Jon and Alaina Ciencewicki**  
Cadence, Luke, Holden



**Bruce and Michelle**  
Collins



**Matthew and Leah Combs**  
Aiden



**Karen DelVenthal**



**Robert and Adriane Field  
Bobby**



**Michael and Cristina Fuller  
Caio, Jonas, and Niall**



**Megan Meneau  
Anyah, Mason, Mackenzie**



**Steve and Esther Robinson**

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



**COFFEE &  
Fellowship**

**Join us at 10:30 am on Sunday  
in front of the Family Life Center!**



**Saturday, June 25**

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

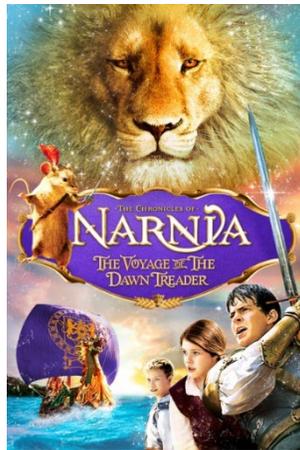
A darkened setting with candles, singing of short ostinato refrains of Biblical and liturgical phrases, periods of quiet for reflection, the celebration of communion, readings, and sermon.

## Christian Film Festival

This summer, join us on **Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:30 pm** in the Fellowship Hall to view and discuss the following movies:

### **June 22 ~ C.S. Lewis' *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader***

This is the third movie and fifth book of Lewis' most notable work. Since Lewis was a Christian, both his beliefs and worldview are poured into his writing, effectively crafting a saga that tells a higher tale. Aslan, the lion king of Narnia, is the Christ that is clearly adored and loved in Narnia. There are many lessons in this movie, many of which can be found in Proverbs, such as Proverbs 10:12, 12:15, 14:7, 16:18, 22:1, and 13:10. We will explore them in our discussion after the movie.



### **June 29 ~ *The Book of Ruth: Journey of Faith***

This small Old Testament book (4 chapters) is a triumphant love story in the face of adversity. Ruth chooses to follow Naomi, an Israelite, and declare that she is choosing Naomi's God, Yahweh. She gives birth to Obed and becomes the great-grandmother of King David. She is one of the Gentile women who are in the lineage of King Jesus.

**July 6 ~ Christmas in July! *The Nativity*, based upon Luke 2 and Matthew 2**

**July 13 ~ *Amazing Love: The Story of Hosea*, based upon Hosea Chapters 1-3**

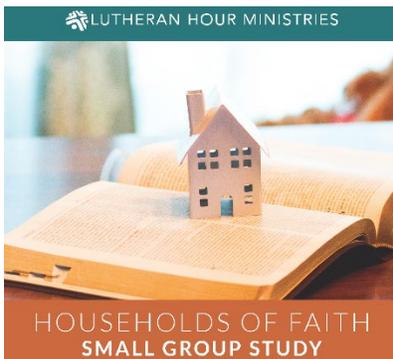
**July 20 ~ Seasons of Gray: A Modern Day Story of Joseph**, based upon Genesis Chapters 37-50

Questions can be directed to Mindy Stephani or the church office (919-851-7248, [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).

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## Households of Faith

In Lutheran Hour Ministries' *Households of Faith* video study, you'll learn how to apply spiritual disciplines, extend hospitality, and engage in spiritual conversations so you can transform your household into a more open and engaging place where God's love is shared, and people are encouraged to learn more about Jesus.



**Who is it for?** Families with Students (kindergarten through high school). Bring your students and we'll talk about growing in the faith together!

**Dates:** Thursdays, June 23, July 7, July 21, and August 4

**Time:** 6:30 pm

**Location:** Sarrault's House (238 Fairview Road, Cary - subject to change)

Register with the church office at [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org) or 919-851-7248. Questions can be directed to [Pastor Zach Sarrault](#).

## Food & Fellowship for the Blind

We thank all of our volunteers who helped us with our Blind Ministry dinner on May 27! We couldn't do it without our faithful volunteers.

Please join us in this amazing ministry! We need drivers, folks to set up starting at around 4:00 pm, help with serving, and cleaning up. Our guests start arriving at 5:30 pm and leave between 7:00 and 7:30 pm.

**Our next dinner will be on June 24 in the Fellowship Hall.**

Please contact [Annette Langefeld-Kennedy](#) for more information or the church office (919-851-7248, [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).

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## The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

We thank all our volunteers who helped us to have a wonderful Coffeehouse on June 10! 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, July 8 in the Family Life Center gym.**

**Sign Up:** <https://bit.ly/3kqoHGN>

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

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## Student Ministry



For more information regarding Student Ministry, [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



email- [office@rlpcary.org](mailto: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 20 - 23**

**June 27 - 30**

Neighbors, friends, & family welcome!

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](mailto:office@rlpcary.org) or call 919-851-7270 to enroll or schedule an individual tour.

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## Resurrection Lutheran School



Contact [admissions@rlscary.org](mailto:admissions@rlscary.org) for more information.

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*In-Person Services*

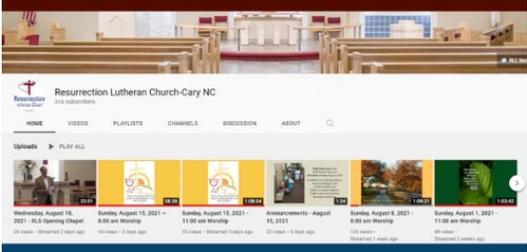


**Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary**  
 Saturday, 6:00 pm  
 Sunday, 8:00 am and 9:30 am

**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 June 19**

**Attendance and Giving**

**Church Calendar**



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## **Prayers of the Church – June 19, 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 Kupsky, Scott Brinkley, \*Bill Xenakis, Linda, Jimmy Ketner, Hope Mackelprang, Melissa Huntsman, Javed, Sue, Kathy

#### **For Expectant Moms**

Molly, Kelsey

#### **Those Prayed for on June 12, 2022**

#### **Thanking God Today**

- Safe Travels
- Our RLC Family
- Courtney Hoffmeister and Griffin Blanford's Wedding Celebration in Clarksville, Virginia on Saturday, June 4
- Stephen Ministry Commissioning and Blessings
- Safe Travels
- Julie Rasmussen's Birthday
- Angel's 8th Grade Graduation

#### **For Healing**

- \*Becky Berger
- Carol, Chemotherapy
- \*Eric Hammergren, Recovery
- \*Hope Studt, Recovery
- \*Daisy Morris, Recovery
- Laurie Zadow, Mother of \*Doug Zadow

- \*Linda Merrill's Brother-In-Law Jim
- All Those with COVID, Those Exposed to COVID
- \*Pastor Daniel Haertling
- \*Mel Talenski
- Kathy, Randi, Gordon, Gertrude, Sandy, Indraj's Mother, Justin, Tim, Red, Brian, Timmy, Keith, Mark, Weston, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Anne, Skylar, Jacque, Ken, Donald, Penny, Eric, Mara, Sue

#### **For Comfort**

- Friends and Family of \*Linda Cook's Brother
- Friends and Family of \*Karen Ferro's Father
- Friends and Family of Yemisi A. (\*Michele Brake's Co-Worker)

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

- People of Ukraine, And All Those Who Serve to Support Them
- Persecuted Christians
- Work of Call Committee for Resurrection Lutheran School Principal
- \*Randi and Barry Munns
- Annie Ruth Ford, \*Dennis Ford's Mother
- \*Eric and Jill Hammergren
- Helen, \*Sharon Hahne's Mother
- Vacation Bible School
- Those Affected by Gun Violence
- Shortage of Baby Formula and Necessary Supplies
- \*Pam Dixon, Awaiting Results
- Safe Travels
- Daughter

#### **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
- JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia
- Shauen and Krista Trump, Kenya

*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 – June 19, 2022

### In-Person Worship Attendance

#### Saturday, June 11

6:00 pm - 52

#### Sunday, June 12

8:00 am - 70; 9:30 am - 110; 11:00 am - 109

**Total In-Person Worship: 341**

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

#### Sunday, June 12

8:00 am - 118; 11:00 am - 47

**Total Online Views: 165 views**

### General Fund Giving and Spending - May 2022

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 102,861.13	\$ 1,176,560.33
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 106,858.27</u>	<u>\$ 1,161,294.18</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ -3,997.14	\$ 15,266.15

Last Week's Offerings: \$25,281.12

Average Weekly Giving for 2020/21: \$24,511.67

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 Vanco Mobile 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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