



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

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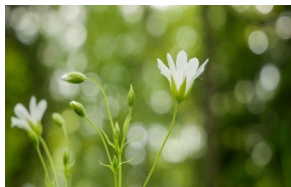
From the Pastor

From One Beggar to Another

(Galatians 3:27–28)

Recently I was having a conversation about the polarized nature of our society, a matter that impacts even the church. “What can we do to bring people together?” the question was asked. I thought of some answers. Administer a survey that identifies the most popular topics... and then develop a Bible study around it? Come up with new “front porch ministries” (fun events at church that get a variety of people in the door)? Do all we can to get more “views” on our YouTube channel and more “likes” on our Facebook page? The list of possibilities seemed limitless. The problem? Each of those possibilities, when held up to the light of day, seemed truly LESS than satisfying.

Then it occurred to me: once the Holy Spirit guides us to see the common mission we are ALL called to—sharing the love of God in Christ Jesus, by our words and actions, with others—we start to move



away from what distinguishes one part of the Body of Christ from another and toward working more and more together. St. Paul reminds us, “For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

“There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is

neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.” Ever seen in yourself the issue of what I call “Pharisee Identification Syndrome”? (I have.) This is when you judge someone else for being, well, too judgmental! You see the problem. If a Pharisee is a “self-righteous person” (Oxford Dictionary) and we feel better about ourselves because we’re “not like that Pharisee over there,” then we’re not really any better than the folks we’re judging. Better to dive in and get to work together than spend a lot of time noticing how

Worship Schedule

Saturday

6:00 pm in the Sanctuary

Sunday

8:00 am in the Sanctuary*

9:30 am in the Sanctuary

11:00 am

Praise Worship

in the Family Life Center*

*Live Stream

Dates of Interest:

Ladies Lunch.....Aug 3
Visual Faith.....Aug 4
Households of Faith.....Aug 4
Children’s Church.....Aug 7
Veterans Lunch.....Aug 10
The Coffeehouse..... Aug 12
RLS First Day.....Aug 17
Blind Ministry.....Aug 26
High School Lock-In... Aug 26-27
Taize Service..... Aug 27
Blessing of Backpacks..... Aug 27

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Sunday Adult Ed

The Poet Speaks With God

People of faith have expressed themselves to God through poetry for many centuries. We have all enjoyed and have found both comfort and inspiration in the psalms of David.

This study will examine poems by four men who were deeply devout followers of Christ and will trace the connections that each poem has with Scripture. Edward Taylor, John Donne, John Milton, and Gerard Manley Hopkins are regarded today as four truly outstanding poets.

Come join us on Sunday from 9:30-10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall from July 10-August 28 as we explore beautiful poems in which, like King David, these men express the concerns, joys, fears, frustrations, and hopes they experienced in their walk with God.

Questions?

Contact Larry Cameron or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).



different we all are. St. Paul seems to think that our differences constitute our strengths.

We know the mission of God is about sharing God's love by our words and actions. How do we do that at RLC? I'd like to highlight three ways, in particular:

- Greater alignment and collaboration between Resurrection Lutheran School/Preschool and RLC in bringing the love of God in Christ Jesus to the families of our community. How is that happening? In 2022-2023, in addition to our involvement in leading RLS and RLP chapels Pastor Zach and I will also be helping out in the Middle School classroom. (Pastor Zach especially, will be teaching 8th Grade religion three days a week.) What a blessing our schools are to RLC!
- Increased recognition of the gifts God has given us to engage the nations of the world with the love of God in Christ. How is this happening? Plans are underway for an upcoming mission trip to Uganda in 2023 sponsored by registered non-profit Life for Uganda. The team, led by RLC members Cheryl and Jeff Fike, will be visiting our partners in the Lutheran Church of Uganda in 2023 and serving in the Amudat region with social ministry projects that further the Gospel of Jesus Christ. [For more information, click here.](#)
- Multiplication of service projects, servant events, and the establishing of serving communities that allow "not-yet Christian" friends working alongside us at RLC to encounter the God who loves them in Christ Jesus. How is this happening? In addition to the many opportunities for service at RLC, plans are underway to introduce a new organization to our church community this October: Lutherans for Life. Pastor Jeff Duncan will visit RLC October 15-16 and present a workshop on Saturday, the 15th for anyone wanting to join a LFL Life Team at RLC. This could involve:
 - ◇ Serving expecting mothers needing extra support for unplanned pregnancies
 - ◇ Finding help for folks struggling with suicidal ideation
 - ◇ Working to enhance the quality of life for people who are nearing the end of life here on earth.

We might all live life from time to time like Pharisees. But we are ALL, in the end, just beggars directing other beggars like us to the One who has life-giving food. That's our purpose. That's what our life together here is all about.

From one missionary to another: I give thanks to God for our differences. It's a joy to be in this together!

I can't wait to see what new things God will grow through us.

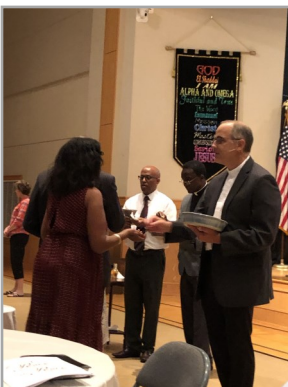
In peace and joy,
Pastor Jonathan

Joint Worship

Mekane Yesus Lutheran Fellowship

On Sunday, July 24 during the 11:00 am service, we had the pleasure to join the attendees from the North American Mekane Yesus Lutheran Fellowship Conference for worship, fellowship, and a delicious meal of Ethiopian cuisine.

Music provided by our own Reign! praise band, as well as musicians and choir from the Mekane Yesus congregation that worships here at RLC. Rev. Dr. Samuel Deressa, Assistant Professor of Theology and the Global South at Concordia University St. Paul, was the preacher for this service. You can view the service on our YouTube channel [here](#).



Bible Study Opportunity

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

Mark your calendar!

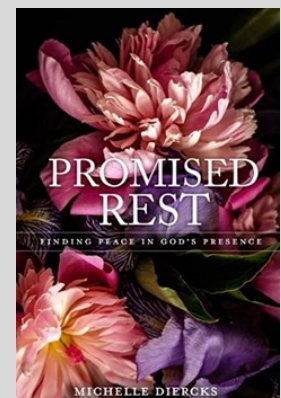
Join us on Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm, in person starting **September 12-October 31** in Room 151, Family Life Center, for a new study of *Promised Rest* by Michelle Diercks. We will also have a Zoom group available at the same time on Monday evenings.

Each week of this eight-week study will feature a new name or characteristic of God along with its pronunciation and a biblical fact about it. Learn from author Michelle Dierck's personal anecdotes and biblical examples of how you can, and should, cling to God's names during times of anxiety and hardship.

Books available through christianbook.com, cph.org, or Amazon.

Amazon also has the book available in the Kindle store.

Questions? Contact Jamee Thieme through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).



Music Ministry

All Welcome!

Resurrection Lutheran Church's Music Ministry includes people of all ages, and all levels of musical ability and background. Together we give glory to God and serve as a blessing and inspiration to others through the use of our God-given talents in musical offerings. This year is full of exciting, inspirational festivals, and musical events. If you wish to participate in the Music Ministry at Resurrection, or have any questions regarding the following opportunities, please contact Bob Unger, Director of Music Ministry, at the church office.

Rainbow Choir (Pre-K into Grade 2) meets on Wednesdays, 5:00-5:30 pm, in Room 132 and begins rehearsals September 7.

Sonshine Singers is for students in Grades 2-6, and meets Wednesday, 5:00-5:45 pm, beginning September 7, with Bob Unger, in the Choir Room.

Harmonia Deum is the choir for youth in Grades 6-12, and meets Sunday, 5:00-5:45 pm, beginning September 11, with Bob Unger in the Sanctuary.

Sanctuary Choir begins rehearsals Wednesday, September 7 from 7:30-8:45 pm, in the Choir Room. This choir is for high school youth through adults, and covers a wide range of Christian choral literature. Bob Unger is the director.

Reign! rehearses Thursdays, 7:00 pm and leads the Sunday 11:00 am Praise and Worship Service. If you are interested in participating, please contact Chris Reed (919-628-9396).

Exodus is the Youth Praise and Worship band. Exodus rehearses on Sunday, 5:45-6:45 pm, If you are interested in participating, please contact Chris Reed (919-628-9396).

Resurrection Chimers is an entry level handbell choir for children in Grades PK -2 and currently meets on Wednesdays, 5:00-5:30 pm, in Room 132 and begins rehearsals on September 7.

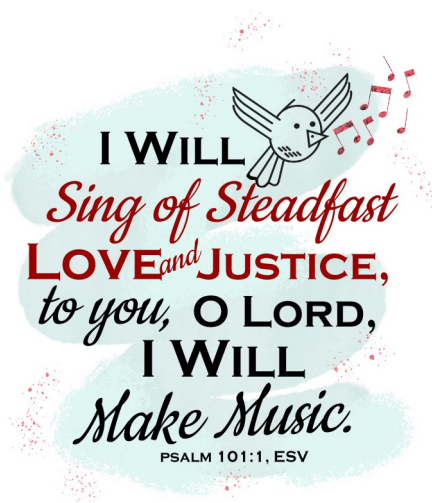
Jubilee Bells is for students in Grades 3-8, and meets Wednesdays, 6:00-6:30 pm, beginning September 7, in the Sanctuary.

Ringers of Glory is for youth in Grades 8-12. If you are interested in participating, please contact Bob Unger.

Heavenly Handbells begins rehearsals Wednesday, September 7, 6:30-7:30 pm, in the Sanctuary. This choir is a handbell choir for high school youth through adults and plays the full spectrum of handbell literature. Bob Unger is the Director.

Resurrection Brass Ensemble adds to our worship experiences on a regular basis. If you are interested in participating, please contact Bob Unger.

Solos, Duets, and Ensembles – vocal and instrumental solos, duets, and ensembles are always welcome as Musical Offerings and Pre-Service Music. Please contact Bob Unger to schedule your musical offering.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Sunday School

Important Dates:

- Volunteer Info Meeting:
August 14 or August 21 @ 12:00
- Blessing of Backpacks/Teachers:
Aug 27 and 28
- First Day of Sunday School:
September 11

We are preparing now for an amazing year of Children's Sunday School (Pre-K - 5th grade) and KICKS (3rd- 5th grade) activities! In Sunday School, students will learn through engaging Bible stories, memory verses, prayer, games and crafts! KICKS students will have opportunities to participate in service projects, games and crafts!

Come serve with us!



Join us in helping families build a legacy of faith! We need volunteers in many different areas: Sunday school teacher, assistant teacher, supply prep, substitute teacher, KICKS event volunteer, Nursery teacher, Nursery assistant, & Children's Church leader.

More Information? Contact: Erika Hulse
erika.hulse@rlcary.org



What is KICKS? Kids In Christ Keep Shining!! Grades 3-5

Happy Anniversary!

August 2

Troy and Beth Ann Smith
25 years

August 8

Gary and Audrey Janshego
35 years

August 12

Don and Jackie Schautteet
25 years

August 13

Joe and Sandy Parks
45 years

August 16

Doug and Cheri Spitz
53 years

August 21

Terry and Sandy Brummeyer
51 years

August 24

Garland and Ann Johnson
64 years

Bill and Connie Robison
54 years

August 29

Ron and Carol Mitchell
58 years

August 31

Paul and Jan Wozniak
65 years



Find a place
apart before
the chaos of
school sets in!

Labor Day
FAMILY CAMP

Friday - Monday
9/02 to 9/05/2022

GROW CLOSER TO GOD, IN
COMMUNITY WITH YOUR
FAMILY UNIT* WITH DAILY
WORSHIPS & DEVOTIONS

ENJOY GOD'S BEAUTIFUL
CREATION WITH HIKES,
ARCHERY, & SWIMMING

*A family unit is any group of people willing to share
a room/bath/room.

Contact David at 919.552.9421 or
program2@agapekurebeach.org

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so much!



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Resurrection Lutheran **PRESCHOOL** ENROLLING FOR **2022-23**

Classes for children 2-years-old through 5-years-old, including transitional-kindergarten.

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

Diane Hooper, Director

rlpcary.org

919-851-7270

Our program provides a balance of academic and social opportunities by means of our 'learning through play' philosophy in a loving **Christian** atmosphere.



For an
average
of \$23
a day:

- ... developmentally age-appropriate, hands-on, child-centered experiences
- ... balance of social/academic opportunities
- ... a Co-Teaching Team develops a 'learning through play' environment
- ... experienced, committed, nurturing staff
- ... averaging over 10 years of staffing stability
- ... weekly **Chapel & Music** for all; **Science** for 4's & T-K
- ... we **partner** with families to provide the finest program for children
- ... a loving **Christian** atmosphere



Email or call to **ENROLL** or schedule an individual **Tour**.

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The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

New Southeastern District President

The Installation of Rev. Dr. William Harmon

Saturday, August 13 at 1:00 pm

Immeasurably More - Ephesians 3: 20-21

Join us online to view the service from King of Glory Lutheran Church at kogva.tv.

An offering will be received to support the **Scholarship Fund** for students going into church vocations.

In August, more than 34 grants will be awarded to students who are attending the seminaries and Concordia Universities. They represent all the various ministry vocations and paths that are available:

Ordained: Resident, Colloquy, Specific Ministry Pastor; Deaconesses, Teachers,
Directors of Christian Education, Directors of Parish Ministry.

Your gift will be a blessing to their education.

If you would like to send **Rev. Dr. William Harmon** a message, card, prayer encouragement, do so to
The Southeastern District, 6315 Grovedale Drive, Alexandria VA 22310, Attn: Esseye Haile.

You may also wish to send an email greeting to sed@lcms.org.

We will prepare a book of letters and cards to present at the installation.

As this transition takes place, we will also recognize **Rev. Dr. John Denninger**, who has served
as the SED President for the past ten years. We will also be preparing a book
of letters, cards, and prayers for him. Please send them to the SED – attn: Esseye.

START OF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

In just about one month, we will begin our 21st year of stellar Christ-centered education at Resurrection Lutheran School. Our theme "Soaring to New Heights" reflects our desire to continue to grow in Christ while exploring innovative strategies to engage our students and nurture our school community. We look forward to welcoming our students in a **Back to School Celebration** on the first day of school, Wednesday, **August 17** at 8:15 am! Simply drop your child off in the regular carpool line, park your car, and come to the back of gym for a short celebration.

PRINCIPAL CALL COMMITTEE

The Call Committee met to review a list of candidates. We identified thirteen that we plan to reach out to and gather additional information. Next steps will be to set up time for formal interviews. As principals are preparing for the start of a new school year, it is likely these meetings will be set up in September. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR


August 16	Meet the Teacher, Drop In Between 10:00-11:00 am
August 17	First Day of School, Early Release at 11:30 am
August 17-18	Kindergarten Staggered Entry
August 18-19	Regular School Hours
August 25	Back to School Night (JK-8), 6:30-8:00pm

Looking Ahead...


September 29-30 Middle School (Grade 6-8) Overnight Field Trip
Fall Retreat at Camp Agape

NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE
FOR A RLS GRADUATE

Daniel Boone
CLASS OF 2019




U.S. AMATEUR
1890
RIDGEWOOD
122ND
DANIEL BOONE - FUQUAY-VARINA, NC



CELEBRATING 20 YEARS
IN EDUCATION
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8,000 people from around the world applied, 312 were selected for the USGA Amateur Championship August 15-22, 2022. One of those selected is Fuquay-Varina rising Senior Daniel Boone! Congratulations and Good Luck from your RLS family!



**Resurrection Lutheran
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Robert Unger
Interim Principal

Rosie Creasy
Director of Admissions/
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Soaring to New Heights

Those who hope in the Lord
will renew their strength.
They will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary,
they will walk and not be faint.

(Isaiah 40:31 NIV)

Mission:
Resurrection Lutheran School
is committed to educating
generations of children
in the training and
instruction of the Lord.
Because of this commitment,
we will provide a Lutheran
educational experience
that is Christ-centered, as well
as academically focused for
children in junior kindergarten
through eighth grade.



LIVE STREAM

**Join us online for worship live
Sundays at 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.

Missed the live service?

Watch the worship services
on our YouTube channel at any time.



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Rev. Dr. Jonathan Blanke, Senior Pastor
Rev. Zachery Sarrault, Associate Pastor
Rev. Alan Shaw, Assistant Pastor

GIVING

We appreciate your contributions to our congregation.
Here are the different ways to make your offering:

- Place in offering plate as you exit the worship service
- Mail to 100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518
- Online through our church website at rlcary.org/ministries/online-giving
- Download the Vanco Mobile app to transfer funds from your account

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

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