

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 14, 2022



Pastor's Corner for August 14-20

A Spirit-Gifted Course Correction (Jeremiah 23:16-29 and Luke 12:49-53)

There's something about the way people naturally form community and come to embrace that community's values that can be either good— or not so good. A few years ago, researchers at UCLA wanted to gauge the impact of social media platforms like Instagram on young people. They took a group of youth ages 13 to 20, stuck each of them in a brain scanner, and watched what happened as the youth engaged with content they viewed on a platform similar to Instagram. Among the various findings scientists discovered something interesting... if not all that surprising. Everyone tended to like and respond to content that ranked high in "likes" already. In fact, when the same content was shown but manipulated by researchers, the results were astounding. Everyone generally felt better even about

their own photographs and words when these postings appeared with many likes than they did when these same photos and postings appeared with few or no likes. By this standard it became obvious that “good content” was embraced by many. But it’s no surprise that in the world of social media at least, popularity was an overwhelming factor in building the self-esteem of content creators and the values they communicated— either good or not so good. I’m not a betting man, but I’d wager what this study found to be true in teenagers would be more or less true in older adults, too!

Instagram was, of course, not a thing in 7th century BCE Israel. But as we read Jeremiah 23, we find that the values of Israel’s leaders seemed to be driven more by the messages people WANTED to hear than by the message they NEEDED to hear. When we grow too comfortable with our lot and our hearts become hardened to God’s will for us, we are like the people of Israel among whom God’s Word needed to become “like fire” and “like a hammer that breaks the rock into pieces” (23:29). Things haven’t changed much in 1400 years. Jesus did come to bring Peace on Earth (Luke 2:14), but His is not an easy peace that accommodates itself to a world of “likes” (12:31). What was different about Jesus is this: the Son of God, who was divided from His heavenly Father by the weight of the world’s sin He carried, suffered the fire and hammer of heaven for our sins as he died on the cross. He has accomplished all that is needed for us to enjoy true peace... and to work in the world on behalf of true community. That is a value worth embracing because it comes from God— not the world of our own popular culture.

The Law of God is never enough. But we need a Word of God that gets our attention and, at times, gives us a course correction. When it does, the same God is there to rescue. When we are burned and broken, our loving Lord is ready to heal. This week we look for wherever the Holy Spirit might be at work, through God’s Word, to enact a new path forward in us and for us. Praise God that wherever that course correction leads, our loving Savior is with us all the way!

Wednesday Night Workshop Begins September 7

More publicity will be coming shortly, but I wanted to get the word out to all of you that we will be fully engaging with midweek evening activities beginning September 7 with Wednesday Night Workshop at Resurrection Lutheran Church. This will be a

time for weekly Open Warehouse (youth group fellowship time), Confirmation instruction, choir and ensemble practices, and Adult Christian Education... as well as occasional K.I.C.K.S. (Kids in Christ Keep Shining, Grades 3-5) events and meals. There will be more to come about all of that later.

For now, I want to highlight a class I will be offering on September 7 called “The Thread.” The class will be open to exploring the varied nature of individual books and texts of the Bible but will highlight the one common thread that holds the rich tapestry of the Bible together. What is that one common thread? What difference will tracing this thread throughout the Scriptures make— not only for our understanding of God’s Word but our Spirit-enabled efforts to live it out? I invite you to join us as we look at various Old and New Testament passages where the most prominent themes of the Scriptures as a whole are in evidence. Edified by the message God brings us there, we will see how the Holy Spirit uses these messages in our worship to bless us and enable us to care for one another and serve our community.

You and I need a Word of God that corrects, inspires, and motivates us for life. Bible classes offer a unique opportunity to mine the treasures of God’s Word together. I hope and pray you can join us.

Peace and joy in Him,
Pastor Jonathan



*Prayers
of the Church*

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Worship Bulletins

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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 mornings at 9:30 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).

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services, August 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 Krupcale,
% Resurrection Lutheran Church, 100 W. Lochmere Dr.,
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.*

A white coffee mug with the text "COFFEE & Fellowship" overlaid. The word "COFFEE" is in brown, and "& Fellowship" is in blue. The background of the image is a light gray gradient.

**COFFEE &
Fellowship**

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



Congratulations to Pastor Zach and Kelsey Sarrault!

They welcomed their beautiful baby girl, Sophia Ann Sarrault, on Sunday, August 7
at 5:15 pm.



Tools4Schools



SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

August 1-August 21

**Place items in bins located in the Narthex
and Family Life Center Lobby.**



VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO LEARN MORE
WakeEd.org/Tools4Schools



Tools4Schools is a program of WakeEd Partnership that allows Wake County public school teachers to "shop" for school supplies for their classrooms.

Most-Needed Items:

- ✓ Crayons, Colored Pencils, Pens, Sharpies, Highlighters, Markers
- ✓ Pocket Folders, Binders, Spiral Notebooks, Composition Books
- ✓ Construction Paper, Post-It Notes, Easel Pads, Index Cards
- ✓ Clorox Wipes, Scissors, Glue Sticks, Pencil Sharpeners, Tissues

[Click Here for Full Wish List](#)

You can also order from the [Tools4Schools Amazon Wish List](#) and have it delivered directly to them!

Join us in supporting the teachers of Wake County!

The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

We thank all our volunteers who helped us to have a wonderful Coffeehouse on July 8! 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.

Next Coffeehouse is Friday, August 12 in the Family Life Center gym. *The Engraved Band* will play for us. **Sign Up:** <https://bit.ly/3kqoHGN>

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

Music Ministry

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.

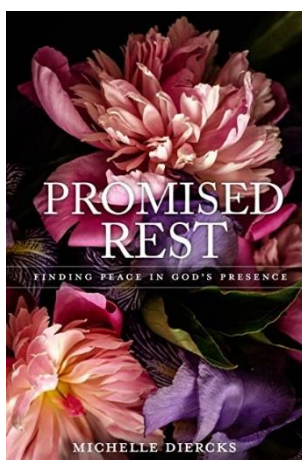
[Click here for full listing of the Music Ministry opportunities.](#) We are looking forward to the 2022-23 season, especially the upcoming Fall semester **starting Wednesday, September 7**, unless noted.

If you wish to participate in the Music Ministry at Resurrection or have any questions regarding the various opportunities, please contact Bob Unger, Director of Worship and Music Ministry, at robert.unger@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248 ext. 25.



Monday Night Women's Bible Study

Join us in person on **Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm, starting September 12** through 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 are 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).

Sunday Morning Adult Christian Ed

David and the Psalms

David (of the Old Testament) and the Psalms are forever linked. In this 10-week class, we will explore the life of David, whether boy or King, as well as the Psalms. Scholars are divided about how many of the Psalms David wrote but he wrote at least 46 of them - sometimes laments or of praise.

David -Shepherd, Warrior, King, Husband, and Father- he certainly had many roles in his life. The Psalms - written over a span of many years, speak of his personal triumphs and sometimes tragedies, are intricately linked with his life, his triumphs and tragedies. We'll explore the life of David, as well as reading some wonderful psalms and how they applied to the writer as well as to our lives today.

Bring a Bible with an Old Testament to class. There is no cost, no book to buy, but please register with the church (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org). We will meet in Room 151, Family Life Center, from 9:30-10:30 am, starting on **Sunday, September 18**. Led by Mindy Stephani. *Hope you will join us!*

Save the Date!

Pastor Jonathan's Ordination Anniversary Celebration
will be held on **Saturday, September 24** at 7:00 pm in the Family Life Center.

Details to follow in the near future.

Mission Opportunity!

Have a heart for short-term mission work? Life For Uganda is forming a mission team to visit Uganda in February 2023.

If you're interested in joining the team, or simply want more information, contact Cheryl Fike, Ron Bostick, or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

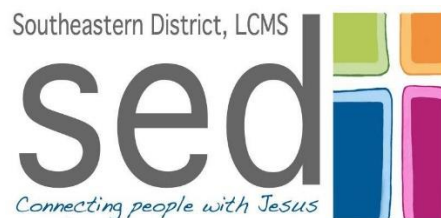


New Southeastern District President

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.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



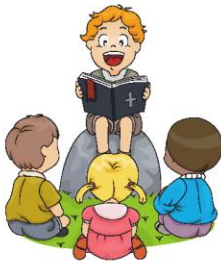
Sunday School

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

Questions? Contact Erika Hulse, Children's Ministry Director,
at erika.hulse@rlcary.org.

Student Ministry



Welcome to Breakaway (High School) and Ignite (Middle School)!

The goals of our Youth Ministry here at Resurrection is to build strong relationships with each other, with our church, and with Christ while having fun with our faith. Some of you are continuing on and some are just getting started. I am so excited to get the new year underway! Our calendar is set, and I am so excited. We also have mission trips to look forward to in Summer of 2023.

Looking Ahead...

- **Ignite - Open Warehouse/Youth Group**
Sunday, August 28 from 2:00-3:30 pm
We will have games and devotion and just be in our space again!
- **New Study Group for 6th-12th Grade**
Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm - Begins **September 7**
- **Ignite - Service Lock-In - September 9/10**
Mark your calendars for our big kickoff for the new school year! More information will be coming.

- **Connection Cafe (Sunday School for Grades 6-12)**
Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am - Begins **September 11**



I look forward to another year and another opportunity for the youth to get connected and continue on their faith walk.

Peace in Christ,
Jenny Piontek, Youth Director
jenny.piontek@rlcary.org

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

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



We are **interviewing qualified candidates** for:

- Middle School Science Teacher
- After School Care Director (Mon.-Thu.)

Please submit a resume or refer candidates to bobunger@rlscary.org.



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Junior Kindergarten-8th Grade

Latest Lion's Tale

In-Person Services

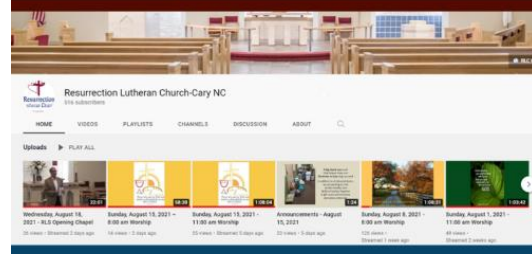


Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary
 Saturday, 6:00 pm
 Sunday, 8:00 am and 9:30 am

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 August 14

Attendance and Giving

Church Calendar



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Prayers of the Church – August 14, 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, *Geoffrey Wiggins, Marc and Elizabeth Langefeld's Baby Adoption, 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, Glenn Wagner, Pamm Haley, Judy Dean

For Expectant Moms

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Those Prayed for on August 7, 2022

Thanking God Today

- Safe Travels to Family Events
- Our RLC Family
- Abundant Generosity of RLC for Christmas in July and the Ministries Served
- New Fall Bible Studies, Planning and Preparation
- *John Heilman - Healing; *Randi Munns - Recent Progress
- Zachary & Taylor's Wedding (*Stephani's Grandson), Safe Travel for *Mindy/*Marty to Wedding
- Carol's Last Chemo
- Riley and Vayda's 2nd Birthday
- Our Many Blessings
- Marilyn's 91st Birthday
- Grandson Jackson Back This Morning From Ukraine

For Healing

- *Becky Berger
- Carol, Chemotherapy
- *Greta Hervey, Recovery

- All Those Exposed to COVID, with COVID, and Recovering From COVID
- *Pastor Daniel Haertling, Recovery
- Brian Reilly; Philip Flood; Chris Rogers
- *Teri McCarty's Mother, Renea Bunkelman
- *Brenda Peterson's Parents, Richard and Rosemary Staley
- *Eric Hammergren
- Bruce, Randi, Patti, Will, Chris, Cecilia, Barry, Sandy, Gordon, Kathy, Tim, Justin, Red, Brian, Timmy, Mark, Keith, Weston, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Anne, Skylar, Jacque, Riley, Carter, Lena, Ken, Harold, Donald, Bryan, Sue, Dick, Glenn, Pam, Eve, Lynn, Jan, Ellen, Julian, Pat, Shelby, Karen, Mara, Connie, Rick, Corey, Chuck

For Comfort

- Friends and Family of *Sandra McLaughlin, Wife of *Kerry McLaughlin
- Friends and Family of Courtney Bartels, Daughter of *Jack and *Darlene Bartels, Sister of *Bridget Peacock
- Friends and Family of Ronnie Morrison, Neighbor/Friend of *Jan and *Paul Wozniak
- Friends and Family of Caleb Zirpel
- Friends and Family of Kay Brummeyer, Sister-In-Law of *Terry Brummeyer

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- People of Ukraine, And All Those Who Serve to Support Them
- Persecuted Christians
- Uganda Lutheran Church
- Work of Call Committee for Resurrection Lutheran School Principal
- *Randi and Barry Munns; Annie Ruth Ford, *Dennis Ford's Mother
- *Eric and Jill Hammergren; *Pam Dickson
- *Bruce and *Annette Kennedy
- Healthy Pregnancy

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, and Their Families
- Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools Staff
- Area Pastors and School Staff

For Our Missionaries

- *Mark & Megan Mantey, Uganda; JP & Aimee Cima, Cambodia; Shauen & 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 – August 14, 2022

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, August 6

6:00 pm - 48

Sunday, August 7

8:00 am - 52; 9:30 am - 113; 11:00 am - 78

Total In-Person Worship: 291

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, August 7

8:00 am - 123; 11:00 am - 37

Total Online Views: 160 views

General Fund Giving and Spending - July 2022

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 102,871.82	\$ 102,871.82
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 100,123.69</u>	<u>\$ 100,123.69</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ 2,748.13	\$ 2,748.13

Last Week's Offerings: \$24,632.14

Average Weekly Giving for 2022/23: \$20,574.36

Average Weekly Giving Budgeted for 2022/23: \$26,908.65

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

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

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