



# Resurrection Lutheran Church

By Grace Through Faith For Service

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

August 11, 2019

## Prayers of the Church: (\*RLC Members)

### Ongoing Prayers

*Diane Cuper	*Eve Sommers	*David Brooks
*Anne Altieri	*Charlotte Raines	Stephanie Samuels
*Eric Hammergren	*Wes Wyatt	*John Whatley
Ava Conklin	*Joanne Schmitt	*Helen Puza
Frank Grace	Helen Wolf	*Anita Moore
*Wilma Brown	Elizabeth Smith	

Mike Zimmerman, Son of Mark and Sally, US Navy deployed, Spain

### Ongoing Cancer Treatments

*Susanne Mundorf	Jeff Marshall	Don	Craig
Carol & Frank	Rachel	Bill	Rob
*Mike Allen	Anne Price	Rene	Beth

### Those Prayed For on August 4<sup>th</sup>

<b>For the Sick:</b>	Jan	Anne	Sam	Ed Norse
Katharine Vetter	Danny	Noreen	Sarah	Annmarie
Karen Hatcher	Bonnie	Dave	Joe	John Clark
Justus Nikolai	Ellen	Jim	Sandy	Bob Bryan
Ron Van Haitsma	Martha	Larry	Randi	Tom Carr
Dave Rankine	Libby	Wish	Justin	John N.
Carolyn H.	Brian	Keith	Carol	Rosemary
Anne P.	Ann	Carlton	Terri	Anne A.
Brad B.	Deb	Penny	Mitch	Mary Claudia
Lori	Shane	Luis	Jackie	Donna
Estelle	Gavin	Julia	Dasha	Fuad
John	Herbie	Gloria	Joanne	Julie
Evelyn	Jeri	Josh	Lynne	Pete
Mike	Frannie	Shayne	Brad	Nancy
Barbara	Lydia	Joe	Dena	Karin

### In Celebration of:

Our Many Blessings      Son's Healing      Noah's Birthday  
 Agape/Kure Beach Mission  
 New Pastors Being Ordained and Installed Today

### For Those That Mourn:

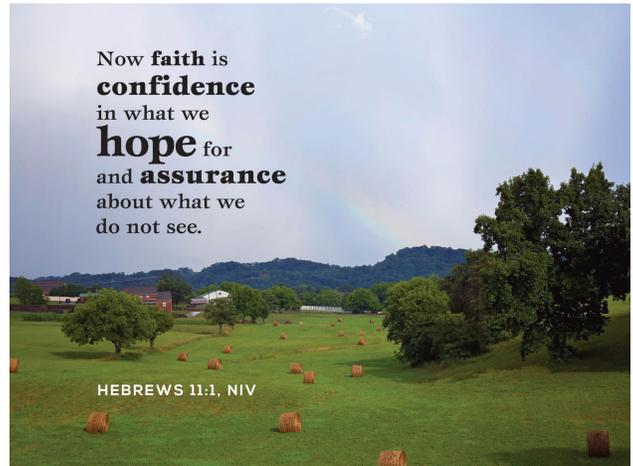
Todd and Dottie Nichols, Todd's Father, Alfred Nichols

### Other Requests:

Persecuted Christians	Oromo People	Those in Prison
Uganda Church, Pastors, Leaders		Our Missionaries
Safe Travels	Better Housing	Thanksgiving for Rain
Upcoming Surgery	Stress in Marriage	Nephew in Afghanistan
Maureen B. Family Help	Continued Healing	Ease Difficult People
Those to Enter Church Work	Friend Facing	New Beginnings in Life
Mitch and Tricia-Sale of House	For Son, Garrett,	for Healing and Strength
Mother with Alzheimer's	Entering Palliative	Hospice
Mass Shooting Victims and Families	in Texas and Ohio	
Safe Travel for Roy, Heidi, Shaelyn,	and Aiden To and From	Virginia This Week

### Missionaries:

Mark and Megan Mantey, Uganda  
 Shauen and Krista Trump, Kenya  
 JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia



The world, steeped in sin, rallies against God's Divine Promises, confusing us and causing our hearts and minds to be insecure. But, through Holy Baptism, God grounds us firmly in the gift of faith, magnifies our joy, and assures us of Life Everlasting. Faith is assurance and conviction of hope that it is not because of anything in us, but because of what faith grasps — namely, the Word and Promises of God, the content of faith. The reason for the existence of the Church is this thing called faith. It is not just a thought or the production of our minds. We walk by faith, as have the saints before us, to increase our security — as we seek to rely on God's Word of Grace.

**Our high school youth is excited to share their National Youth Gathering adventure at all services this weekend!**

After the Sanctuary services, stop by the Fellowship Hall to view a brief slideshow and speak to the kids.

At the 10:45 service, get there early! The NYG slideshow will be shown in lieu of the pre-service loop. The youth will also be available in the lobby after service to speak with you.



## Transition Guidance and Prayers

While it has been a year since I needed to move near my daughters for health reasons, I dearly miss and remember the relationships with RLC people for whom I loved and felt blessed. It was a joy to be a part of a team that served so willingly and fully.

You now face a new time and a challenge as you discern God's will for RLC mission and ministry as you wait for the Pastor God intends for you. I would not meddle with my thoughts and prayers for you, but I offer this as you pray, wait, and trust.

I am mindful of 1 Corinthians 1:4-9 – "I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, that in every way you were enriched in Him in all speech and all knowledge-even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you-so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord."

RLC has a legacy of mission mindedness. Forward looking to creative witness and sharing your faith in places and among people that have been drawn by your love, compassion, and faith. God has blessed RLC to thrive, grow, and deepen Gospel living and truth telling.

St. Paul wrote those words two thousand years ago. Corinth stood at the crossroads of a flourishing culture critically positioned at the crossroads of commerce. Cary is known for its growth, technological development, and in an epicenter of diverse educational opportunities. Corinth still exists today and was indeed a beehive of commercial activity.

But Corinth was also a magnet for disagreements and selfish behavior. In fact, in those days, if you used the expression that a particular person "acted like a Corinthian," this meant that person was very crude and immoral. And for that reason the city of Corinth of 2,000 years ago has a lot to say to us today. Due to lack of morality, families were often broken and it was not unusual for friends to turn on each other and become suspicious of one another. We find these challenges in our everyday life.

It was during these difficult conditions the apostle Paul wrote words of encouragement and hope to the community of Grecian Christians. The apostle encouraged these people by reminding them, "God is faithful." With this pointed statement and promise of the Lord in those days, Paul lifted up the weary, strengthened the weak, and gave hope to the dying. He spoke of hope in dark times. As you pray for a pastor who will further the Gospel ministry of love and truth, I can assure you that you are in my prayers and know how easy it is to get caught up with our own needs rather than asking God what He needs for his people. The first of the 95 theses of Luther was 'repent'! Jesus called disciples to repent. It means turn from your own mindset and examine your heart and then seek God's heart and mind for you which is full of grace and love. Pray with and for one another, worship God who blesses you to be a blessing to others. Go then with a contented heart and rest. Reflect on all the great things God has done for you and for RLC, a strong Gospel-centered church writing new chapters on your history.

I commend to you the type of uplifting and encouraging message still applies to you at this hour. While you are at a crossroad and feel some have let you down and disappointment creeps in. Remember, God is always faithful. In Jesus Christ, God is the one you can always count on. Just as the writer to the Hebrews conveyed when he penned God's message to us, "I will never leave you nor forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5b).

And you can count on that. Remembering you in heart and mind.

Pastor emeritus Jim Knuth



### Traveling this Summer and away from Resurrection?

Access Lutheran Sermons, Bible Studies, Programs and music through these sources during your traveling times!

**KFUO Radio** comes to you from St. Louis, MO. Christ for you. Anytime. Anywhere. Hear Sacred Music & Prayer, Worship Services, Bible Studies, Lutheran Confessions and Practical talk. Visit: <https://kfu.org/>

**Lutheran Public Radio** streams sacred music for the world. Hear instrumental and choral groups sing the music for the current season. Visit: <http://lutheranpublicradio.org/>

**Lutheran Hour Ministries** has been bringing the changeless Christ to a changing world for nearly 100 years. Check them out for Daily Devotions, Rev. Dr. Michael Ziegler's Sermon, or take a class! Visit: <https://www.lhm.org/>

All can be accessed through your Smartphone, iPhone, iPad or computer! Once you try them, you'll be hooked!

## Notice of Senior Pastor Divine Service Announcement

The Council met on Tuesday night, July 30<sup>th</sup>, to discuss the next steps in our Call Process. Pastor Merker, our Circuit Visitor, came at our request to provide additional "Spiritual Guidance".

At the start of the meeting, a recent communication from Pastor Morris was shared where he recommended that we move forward with the 2 Senior Pastor candidates due to the uncertainty of the length of his recovery.

**The Senior Pastor Divine Call Service will be held on Wednesday, August 28 at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary.**

Pastor Merker provided an outline of the proposed Divine Service. It is a formal worship service. The intention of the Divine Service is for us to **Take in the Holy Spirit** and come together and allow the **Holy Spirit to Work** during our worship time. At the start of the service, the Council will review the voting procedure and answer questions only about the voting procedure. The votes will take place during the service.

After much discussion, our voting ballot will include Pastor Adle, Pastor Blanke, and an "Other" check box. The "Other" box is designed for members who do not wish to call either of the Senior Pastor candidates.

To call a new Senior Pastor requires, according to our Constitution, a super majority vote (2/3rds) of the members present. Per our legal documents, member must be present to vote (no proxy voting). The vote total is based on **all the voting members** that have signed in. The results of each ballot will be counted by Council members, and then announced. All ballots will be retained.

The procedure that will be used in the voting is as follows:

1. After the first vote, if a candidate or "Other" obtains a 2/3 vote, that person has been elected.
  - If no candidate receives a 2/3 majority, an additional vote will take place.
  - If a candidate or "Other" obtains less than 15% of the vote, this person or "Other" is removed from the next ballot.
2. We will take up to 3 ballots to obtain a 2/3rds vote for a new Senior Pastor. If, however, on the third vote one of the candidates or "Other" receives less than 15% of the vote, then a fourth ballot will be taken.
3. If the last vote does not produce a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> super majority, we have an impasse and no-vote is the outcome. No call can be issued. We would have to restart the Call Process. The Call Committee has advised that it would most likely be 6 weeks or more for them to fully vet another Senior Pastor candidate and have him available for a congregational visit. At this point, the Council will review next steps in the Call Process with the Call Committee.

At the conclusion of our meeting, the Council affirmed the Call Committee. We believe that the Call Committee is formed through the working of the Holy Spirit and that the Holy Spirit has brought insight into their work. Their continued due diligence is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions, please contact Bob Shimmel, Council President, via his email at [bbshimmel@yahoo.com](mailto:bbshimmel@yahoo.com).

Continue to keep our Church in your prayers and trust that He is in charge and has already chosen the one to lead RLC forward.



In their hearts humans plan their course, but the LORD establishes their steps. – Proverbs 16:9

*Gracious Heavenly Father, we humbly come before You and acknowledge that You are sovereign over this place. Lord, we give You our plans; align them with Yours. We offer You our prayers, trusting You hear and embrace each one and are working all things for good. We give You our fears, doubts and discouragements, believing You are at work restoring our joy, infusing us with hope and reminding us of the blessed assurance that You are for us. Anchor of our souls, establish our steps in this transition, for You are our sure and present Foundation. Thank You, Jesus. In Your Name we pray, Amen.*



**Baptized** at the Saturday 6:00 pm service is

**Thea Rose Shepherd**

born July 17, 2019

son of Sage Edward Shepherd  
and Briemann Johanna Shepherd.

Godparents are Aubry Grabow,  
Joe and Jackie Bergman.

May God's blessing be upon Thea Rose  
as she grows in her baptismal grace.



**The Human Care Committee would like to thank everyone who participated in Christmas in July!**

You supported 3 great organizations - Raleigh Rescue Mission, InterAct of Wake County, and Families Together. All are thankful for your support.

We received this thank you note from Interact:

*We cannot say thank you enough for all that Resurrection Lutheran Church has done for us. I know that the families in our care are so grateful for the supplies you all donated. Please let everyone that donated know that these items are making a big impact here. I can only imagine that in a time of uncertainty and even fear, our clients feel more at home when they have the items necessary to provide for their family. I picture happiness when they have enough pots and pans to prepare a meal for their family, comfort when they have diapers for their children, and joy when they can purchase personal items at Target or Wal-Mart – and this is just to name a few of the items you all provided.*

**Come walk with us!**

The Emmaus Way walkers will meet for walking indoors at Cary Towne Center on **Wednesday, August 21**. Meet us in the food court at 9:30 am for a few laps around the mall followed by beverages and fellowship.

For more information, please contact Lyle/Sue Malotky ([lsmalotky@gmail.com](mailto:lsmalotky@gmail.com)) or Jamee Thieme ([jameethi39@gmail.com](mailto:jameethi39@gmail.com)).



**Join other moms for food, fun and fellowship!**

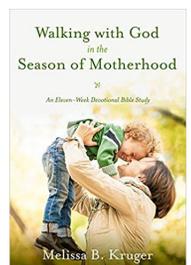
**Meet for a Play Date!**

**Saturday, August 24** at 10:30 am  
North Carolina Museum of Art  
Family Friendly Tour: Heroes and Monsters

Stay in touch on Facebook at [Moms Together - RLC!](#)

Starting **Tuesday, September 6**, we will enjoy a Bible study twice a month with *Walking with God in the Season of Motherhood* by Melissa B. Kruger. Join us in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30-11:30 am on the following dates:

September 6 and 20  
October 4 and 18  
November 1 and 15  
December 6 and 20



# TRIANGLE FAITH.ORG

*“And All Find Fresh Hope and Purpose”*

**August 25-26, 2019**

**6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

## FREE Evening Summer Seminars

Many of us are befuddled by changes in American life and also within the church. The good news is that we can understand what’s going on. The best Good News of all is that these different times teach us anew, or maybe for the first time, what faith in Jesus Christ is and means for our lives and for our congregation’s mission. 1 Peter leads us to find fresh hope and purpose as the people of God in Jesus Christ.

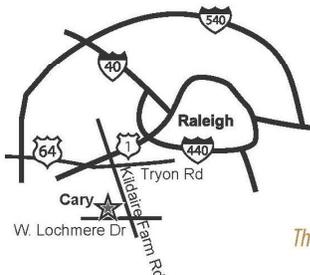
### Sunday, August 25 - Fresh Hope - Evening Session 1

- Feeling like aliens in today’s America – Grieving losses with understanding
- Peculiar people, more than you might realize! Born anew, chosen and elect
- “Royal priests, fulfill your calling” – Personal vocation
- “And all find fresh hope” – “Forward in Remembrance”

### Monday, August 26 - Fresh Purpose - Evening Session 2

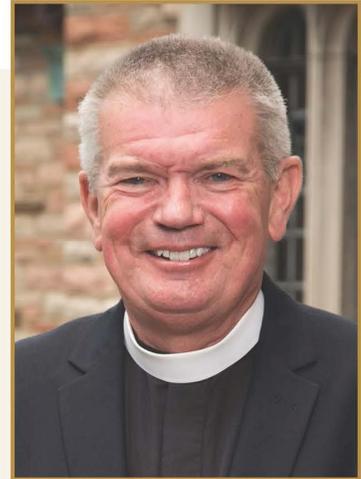
- “A bridge over troubled waters”
- “Do not be surprised” – Judgment begins at the household of God
- Witness in 1 Peter – Personal and Congregational
- “And all find fresh . . . purpose”

## Seminar Location



**Resurrection Lutheran Church**  
100 W. Lochmere Dr., Cary, NC

*TriangleFaith.org is a cooperative effort of congregations in  
The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod that seeks to bring the message  
of forgiveness to the greater Raleigh Triangle community.*



**Dr. Dale A. Meyer**

President

Concordia Seminary, St. Louis

Dr. Dale A. Meyer is president of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. He continues to serve as professor of practical theology in addition to his role as president.

Meyer has been speaking and preaching for more than 40 years. His areas of interest and study include 1 Peter, the church in a changing culture and the Sabbath applied to life today. Meyer was a speaker on The Lutheran Hour radio program (1989 to 2001).



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# Children and Family Ministry

## Nursery Care

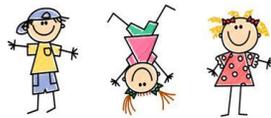
Over the summer, we will have nursery coverage during the **9:30 am service only. We want all to know that children are welcome in all of our worship services!** God loves the little children, and so do we! If there is ever a time that you feel your child needs a "break", feel free to use the nursery/preschool room during Sanctuary services and Room 151 in the Family Life Center during the praise and worship service.

There are rainbow bags available in both locations filled with books and other small items for the children to use during service. There are also books and often weekly hand-outs for the kids on the tables outside of the Sanctuary and Family Life Center. *Please, help yourself!*

## Kidz Live

In past years, there has been the opportunity for kids to play and be supervised during Wednesday night classes. In order for this to happen, we need volunteers willing to plan some games/activities and to supervise the kids from 6:30-7:45 pm. With enough volunteers, you would only need to be there one or two Wednesdays each month. We are looking for high school students and adults.

Please reply to [MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org](mailto:MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org), if interested, have questions, or want to sign up!



## Sunday School Teachers

We have the need for older teens and adults to be Sunday School teachers. We will provide a training prior to the beginning of classes and supply all materials required for teaching. The more teachers we get, the more opportunity we have to team teach, which also provides flexibility for teachers to share the responsibilities and not have to be present every Sunday. Our Sunday School classes range from toddlers through 8th grade.

If you have questions or want to get your name on the list, contact [Lea.Webb@rlcary.org](mailto:Lea.Webb@rlcary.org) or [MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org](mailto:MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org).

**Children's Church** for ages 3-6, is held weekly during the 10:45 worship service.

Children are dismissed before the sermon for 20 minutes to gather together for a short lesson or story about the theme of the day. They will work on a craft and/or sing a song that matches the story. This time will help grow their faith.

If you would like to help with Children's Church, contact [Lea.Webb@rlcary.org](mailto:Lea.Webb@rlcary.org) or [MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org](mailto:MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org).

## Acolytes

**For rising 5th graders and older students that need acolyte training**, which will take place in early September, please watch for the information and plan to attend. Dates for training will be sent through RCB email, as well as listed in the newsletter and announcements.

Being an acolyte allows our youth to be actively involved in serving at RLC. You are able to sign up online for dates and service times that work for your family.

**For current acolytes**, please continue to serve by signing up for services at [www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b48afa62c7-summer](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0b48afa62c7-summer).

## Wednesday Night Workshop (WNW)

We will begin on **Wednesday, September 4 at 6:30 pm** in the Family Life Center for an overview of the year, introduction of teachers and small group leaders. We will also be handing out this year's Confirmation Handbook.

**All students in grades 5-8 and their parents are invited.** Fifth grade students will not be regularly meeting on Wednesdays, but it will be helpful to attend. The 10 Commandments materials will be given to parents, as well as information on this class.

Questions? Please email [MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org](mailto:MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org).

## Small Group Leaders

If you served last year as a Small Group Leader for rising 6th-8th grade and are planning to continue in this role, please email [MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org](mailto:MaryAnn.Unger@rlcary.org). We need to schedule a time to meet to go over expectations and training for this upcoming year. I hope to get together as a group by mid-August, so we are ready for classes in September.



## LUTHERAN COALITION

### 2019 Build

September 7-November 9, 2019

#### Lutheran Coalition

Lutheran churches came together in 2006 to fund and build a Habitat Wake home in Raleigh. In partnership with Thrivent, Lutheran Coalition then built homes in 2007 (Raleigh), 2008 (Knightdale), 2009 (Cary), and 2015-2016 with the Building Independence project in Raleigh. The 2018 Build started an annual building effort.

#### Lutheran Coalition Special Events

##### *Wall Build and Wall-Raising:*

**Saturday, September 7 at 8:15 AM** at construction facility, 2615 Westinghouse Boulevard, and ending at construction site at 4:00 PM

##### *Wall-Raising Ceremony:*

**Saturday, September 7 at 11:00 AM** at construction site

##### *Church Staff Work Morning:*

**Thursday, November 7** from 8:15 AM-11:30 AM

##### *Dedication Ceremony:*

**TBD**

*September 7 - Day 1 Wall Build and Raising:  
Starts at the Habitat Warehouse*

#### Resurrection Lutheran Work Days:

(Sign Up at Habitat Volunteer Website Listed Below)

**September 21 - Need 7-8 RLC Volunteers**

**October 19 - Need 7-8 RLC Volunteers**

**November 2 - Need 7-8 RLC Volunteers**

**Dedicated Volunteer Registration Link:**

<http://vhub.at/lutheranbuild>

**For more information, contact Tim Hiteshew  
at 919-454-6505 or Hiteshew.Tim@Gmail.com.**



#### Resurrection Lutheran School

is about to begin its 17<sup>th</sup> school year! In just a few weeks, we will welcome 143+ students to join us on an exciting educational journey designed to promote inquiry, independence, and

a love of learning. Our commitment to Christian values, dedicated teachers, and parent support serve to motivate children to perform at their highest potential.

RLS continues to look for ways to meet the needs of the dynamic community that we serve in Cary and surrounding areas. To that end, RLS will launch

#### Full-Day Junior Kindergarten

in the Fall of 2019 to complement programming with Resurrection Lutheran Preschool (RLP).

Students must be 4 by August 31 to enroll. The school day will mirror current RLS school hours, 8:30 am-3:00 pm. Before and after school care is available. Limited space is available for the 2019-2020 school year. Questions? Contact [admissions@rlscary.org](mailto:admissions@rlscary.org).



**Resurrection Lutheran Preschool (RLP)** is seeking caring, passionate individuals that enjoy working with young children. Enthusiasm, patience, and a love for teaching and working with our next generation is essential, in addition to being part of an energetic, compassionate staff. While a degree in early education would be ideal, experience with children is considered and important. Our program is half day and works well with older elementary /high school families.

If interested or know someone that may be interested, contact Diane Hooper at [director@rlpcary.org](mailto:director@rlpcary.org) or 919-851-7270. Resumes may be sent to this email address.



**RLC Men’s Pickup Basketball**

Are you interested in joining a pickup game? Looking for men, 18 or older to play. Day and time TBD.

Contact [Eugene.Yamamura@gmail.com](mailto:Eugene.Yamamura@gmail.com) to express interest or for more info.



**Attendance - August 3/4**

Saturday 6:00 - 45      Sunday 8:00 - 88  
 Sunday 9:30 - 102      Sunday 10:45 - 160

Total = 395

Adult Bible Study - 35

**General Fund Giving and Spending - July 2019**

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$90,128.44	\$90,128.44
Total Disbursements	<u>\$92,733.46</u>	<u>\$92,733.46</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements -	\$2,605.02	- \$2,605.02

Weekly Announcements Deadline: Thursday  
 Submit to [Susan.Moore@RLCary.org](mailto:Susan.Moore@RLCary.org).

**Calendar for the Week of August 11-18**

Sunday	8:00am 9:15am 9:30am 10:30am 10:45am 3:00pm 5:30pm	Worship Adult Christian Ed Worship/Holy Communion Without Boundaries Contemporary Worship Mekane Yesus Fellowship SM Supervision
Monday		
Tuesday	11:30am 7:00pm	Women’s Quilting/Craft Group Church Council
Wednesday	12:30pm	Church Staff Meeting
Thursday	11:00am 6:30pm 7:00pm	Meals on Wheels RLS Board Meeting Reign! Rehearsal
Friday		
Saturday	7:00am 6:00pm	Men’s VDC Reunion Group Worship/Holy Communion
Sunday	8:00am 9:15am 9:30am 10:30am 10:45am 3:00pm 5:30pm	Worship/Holy Communion Adult Christian Ed Worship Without Boundaries Contemporary Worship/Holy Communion Mekane Yesus Fellowship SM Supervision



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Search “Resurrection Lutheran Church-Cary NC”

**100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518**  
**office@rlcary.org      919-851-7248**

# Middle/High School 2020 Summer Mission Trip



# Harrisburg, PA



**\$360\***

Price includes:  
transportation, food,  
boarding, tickets to  
Hershey Chocolate World and  
a lifetime of memories!



## July 12-17, 2020

In Harrisburg, our team will engage with the community in a variety of ways. Join local community development efforts working to improve the life of its residents. We will have the opportunity to serve with local children's programs, community gardens and senior care facilities. Our group will also assist local neighborhood associations with small home repair, community beautification and cleanup projects. In the evenings, visit Hershey's Chocolate World for a chocolate tour, attend a youth service at a local church and share a meal with friends you'll make during the week.

For questions or to register, contact LeAnn Trautman or Jenny Piontek  
[leann.trautman@rlcary.org](mailto:leann.trautman@rlcary.org) • [jenny.piontek@rlcary.org](mailto:jenny.piontek@rlcary.org)

\*\$180 deposit holds your spot. Due to the limited number of participants, no spots will be held without deposit. Discount on remaining \$180 will depend on participation and amount of funds raised at Fall Festival. Scholarships are available.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Deposit (\$180)

\$180 deposit holds your spot.

Due to the limited number of spots, no spots will be held without deposit.

## Resurrection Lutheran Student Ministry Scrip Program

**WHAT IS SCRIP?** Great Lakes Scrip Center offers gift cards to over 300 of the country's biggest brands, including grocery, department stores, gas stations, restaurants, hotels, home improvement, and more. Just by using Scrip to pay for your normal purchases, you can easily fundraise for our student ministries. It's time to put your shopping dollars to work! A complete listing of participating companies is available at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com).

**HOW DOES IT WORK?** Scrip cards are regular gifts cards sold to us at a discounted rate. RLC Student Ministry shares the difference between the face value and discounted amount rebated back to us. For example, if you purchase a \$100 Belk gift card, you pay \$100 for the card, but Belk donates 8% (\$8.00) to our youth programs. Free Money! And you will be amazed and astounded at how quickly it adds up simply by paying for your purchases "differently" through Scrip. Our middle and high school student families can choose to accumulate part of their purchases to be used to pay for their portion of trips such as YouthWorks, National Youth Gatherings, and other youth trips.

**WHAT TYPE OF GIFT CARDS ARE AVAILABLE?** Scrip has three different options for purchasing gift cards. Many companies offer all 3 gift card options but the options available vary by company.

1. **Physical Gift Cards:** We order these as a church group twice a month. You order these cards online any time during the month, then a church group order is submitted (on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of each month). Either pay for your cards at the time of ordering by presto-pay or deliver a check prior to the group order placement (see details below). In a few days, I'll receive the group's gift cards and distribute them to you via your church mailbox. Physical gift cards are great for gifts or for planned (and controlled) spending.

2. **Scrip Now E-Card:** Make purchases through your phone/computer/tablet and these cards are available usually *within minutes* of purchase. Your account must be set up for presto-pay (debit from your checking account) to purchase Scrip Now cards. Download the MyScripWallet app and your Scrip Now purchases are available to use and store right on your phone. These are perfect for those unplanned restaurant dinners or if you don't like keeping money tied up in physical gift cards!

3. **Reload:** Order a re-loadable physical card and once your card arrives, you have the flexibility to add money to the card anytime! These gift cards work well for places you regularly shop.

**GETTING STARTED:** Set up your own personal account at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) and link to the RLC account with the enrollment code that will be provided. Feel free to call me if you have problems and I will help you through the process.

You can pay with your **presto-pay** account (preferred method) or with a check to RLC Youth. If paying by check, **please deliver your payment to me before the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 17<sup>th</sup> to be included in the order.**

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