

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 14, 2023



Pastor's Corner for May 14-20

God's Word for Mothers' Day

Regarding moms, grandmothers, mothers-in-law, stepmothers, godmothers, foster mothers... and inspiring all of us who are blessed to have them in our lives... God's Word instructs us on this Mother's Day weekend:

- "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you" (Exodus 20:12).
- "The man called his wife Eve, for she was the mother of all the living" (Genesis 3:20).

- “Let your father and mother be glad; let her who bore you rejoice” (Proverbs 23:22–25).
- “Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck” (Prov 1:8-9).
- [The Lord says:] “As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem” (Isaiah 66:13).

And for all parents just struggling to hang in there, God’s Word brings encouragement and hope:

- “You hear, O Lord, the desire of the afflicted; You encourage them and listen to their cry” (Psalm 10:17).
- “Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; He will never permit the righteous to be moved” (Psalm 55:22).
- “The Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations” (Psalm 100:5).

Blessed Mothers’ Day, everyone!

Eastertide peace and joy...

Pastor Jonathan

Prayers of the Church



Last Adult Sunday School Class!

Poetry and Our Christian Faith

Poets have often addressed the key issues of life, such as love, faith, hope, grief, and death. This series of lessons will examine some of the world's greatest poems and will use them as springboards to examine what the Scriptures have to say on the same topics. Included in this study will be poems by Emily Dickinson, William Shakespeare, Elizabeth Barrett Browning, Dylan Thomas, T.S. Eliot, and William Butler Yeats.

**Join us on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 am
in the Fellowship Hall from March 5-May 14!**

You will want to bring your Bibles to each class. Copies of the poems will be distributed at each session. Led by Larry Cameron.

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities

- **Monday Night Women's Bible Study**

Join us for *Heroes of Faith*, based on Hebrews 11, **Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm** from April 17-May 22.

Hebrews 11 gives us a list of role models: ordinary people who trusted God in radical ways. This eight-session LifeGuide® Bible Study by Douglas Connelly on the heroes of faith will encourage you and help deepen your own trust in our great God who still keeps all his promises, so that you might live out your faith in radical ways today. For more information, contact Jamee Thieme through RCB.

- **Men's Ministry Weekly Study and Fellowship**

Meet on **Mondays, 7:00-8:15 pm** in Room 240, Family Life Center.

- **Last Tuesday Morning Bible Study and Fellowship**

We study the coming Sunday Scripture lessons from **10:30-11:30 am** in the Fellowship Hall with Pastor Jonathan Blanke and Pastor Zach Sarrault.

- **Men with Kids**

Our Wednesday night group is on break for the summer and will start back after Labor Day.

- **This Is the Church**

Three 90-minute gatherings on Saturday mornings (9:30-11:00 am on **May 27, June 3, and June 10**) in Room 151, Family Life Center, will focus on the basics of what Christians believe and how the Christian faith can be understood in distinction from other world religions. If interested, contact jonathan.blanke@rlcary.org.

The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults Friday, May 12

We thank all our volunteers who helped us to have a wonderful Coffeehouse in April! We couldn't do it without our faithful volunteers. Please come be a volunteer. Our special needs guests love to come and we need lots of volunteers to make them feel special and loved! We need Setter Uppers at **5:30 pm** (both food and room), Servers at 6:30 pm, and Cleaner Uppers at 8:30 pm.

The next Coffeehouse is Friday, May 12 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center Gym. We will have the *Every Voice Choir* entertain us, as well as Don Helmey! The *Every Voice Choir* is made up of many of our honored guests.

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

Questions? Contact Brenda Peterson or the church office at 919-851-7248 or office@rlcary.org.



Habitat for Humanity Lutheran Coalition

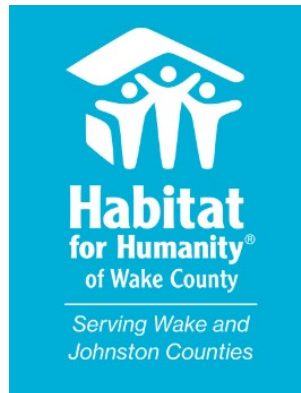
The Lutheran Coalition brings 11 Lutheran churches together to strengthen relationships while serving families in need of affordable housing. In 2023, we are building in our newest neighborhood, Old Poole Place in Southeast Raleigh.

Upcoming RLC Build Day - **May 13** (15 volunteers, ages 16+)
Additional Lutheran Build Day - **May 20** (10 volunteers, ages 16+)

Please note that they hold two slots on Thursday and Friday each week for Lutherans, if you are available during the week.

Please use this link to sign up:

<http://vhub.at/lutheranbuild>



Adult Game Night

Sunday, May 14 from 5:00-9:30 pm
Room 240, Family Life Center

Looking for a night of fun and fellowship? Like to play board and card games? We will gather the 2nd Sunday of the month from 5:00-9:30 pm in Room 240, Family Life Center.

Games provided. Invite a friend! Bring something to share for a simple potluck, if you can, and join us for all or part of the time.

Contact: Sandy Wuori or Ben Wuori through RCB, or the church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248).

MEN'S BREAKFAST



Saturday, May 20
at 8:00 am

Fellowship Hall

Come gather for fellowship, food, and message.
All men welcome.

Contact Tom Gebbia or mens-ministry@rlcary.org.

• YOUNG FAMILIES • *gathering*



Join us for Pizza in the Park! **Sunday, May 21 at 1:00 pm**, we will gather at the playground at Ritter Park for fellowship and food. RSVP to Pastor Zach (zach.sarrault@rlcary.org) for a count on pizza.

Young Adults Gathering

Are you 18-30 years old with no kids? Do you love Jesus?
Then join us for a new time of fellowship around God's Word!

Tuesday, May 23 from 8:00-9:00 pm, we will gather at Pastor Zach's house to look into God's Word and the challenges that come from this life-giving, life-changing Word!

Interested or need the address? Contact Pastor Zach (zach.sarrault@rlcary.org) or Elliot Lubak through RCB.



**YOUNG
ADULTS**

Food and Fellowship for the Blind Friday, May 26 from 5:30-7:30 pm

We enjoyed another wonderful evening on April 28 with our visually impaired guests! Thank you to all of the volunteers who make these evenings possible.

Our next fellowship dinner for the blind will be Friday, May 26 in the Fellowship Hall. We can always use more volunteers! If interested, please contact Annette Langefeld-Kennedy or the church office at 919-851-7248 or office@rlcary.org.

Graduating?

Please contact the church office with high school and college graduate information by May 28. We will highlight our graduates in the June newsletter.



Please include the graduate's name, school graduating from, and any future plans. Email susan.moore@rlcary.org or call 919-851-7248, ext. 33. Thanks!

RLC Worship Servants

There is a need for volunteers to help out in all of our worship services. If you have ever watched an usher, worship assistant, or lay reader and thought "I could do that", we would love to have you! Reach out to the following for more information:

- Saturday, 6:00 pm - Lori Jannings
- Sunday, 8:00 am - Brenda Peterson
- Sunday, 9:30 am - Dara Linn
- Sunday, 11:00 am - Suzi Heffner

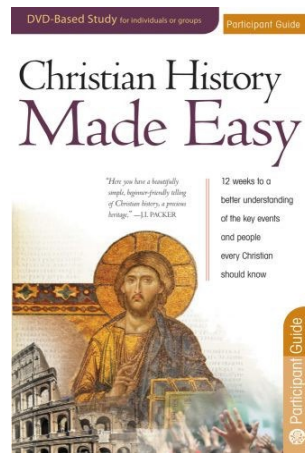
You may also contact the church office at 919-851-7248 or office@rlcary.org for assistance.

Summer Adult Christian Ed Class

Yes, we will again have a summertime Sunday School for adults. The class will be held **Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am** from June 4-August 20 in the Fellowship Hall. It's a 12-week program titled, *Christian History Made Easy*.

During the class, we will explore the people, places, and rulers who were notable for the Christian faith over the centuries. Starting with the time of Martin Luther, there will be a focus on Protestant Christianity. Scripture will also be featured in each class.

There are two study guides for the class and we ask for a donation of \$10. Mindy Stephani will lead with assistance from Tim Kearby. Put June 4 on your calendar and make plans to attend the Saturday night service or one on Sunday at 8:00 am or 11:00 am. Come and join us!



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

May Newsletter

Sunday School

Children's Sunday School is held in Resurrection Lutheran School classrooms
Sundays 9:30-10:30

May 7 -Lesson Food from Heaven

May 14 - Mother's Day - Lesson Waterworks

May 21 -Last Sunday School - Celebration with attendance awards



Children's Church

Upcoming Events

KICKS

Kids in Christ Keep Shining
Grades 3-5

Our May event will be May 24th from 6:30-7:30 in the Family Life Center Gym.



KICKS April Event Sportsmanship

Questions?

Interested in learning more about Children's Ministry at RLC?
Contact Erika Hulse at erika.hulse@rlcary.org

Vacation Bible School (VBS)
Monday, June 26 - Friday, June 30
9:00 am-12:00 pm



Shine a light on Jesus' love!

Let's launch on a cosmic quest where we'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar rockets us on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith building fun.

We welcome all children ages 4 through rising 5th grade to join us for this amazing week in God's Word. It will be filled with games, crafts, music, and most importantly, Jesus' learning that'll last for light years to come.

[Click Here to Register Now!](#)

Cost: Early Bird Price from March 15-May 31, \$5 per child or \$15 max per family
June 1-June 26, \$10 per child or \$30 max per family

Cash (exact change) or check accepted, payable to Resurrection Lutheran Church.
Mail or drop off to Church Office, 100 W. Lochmere Drive, Cary NC 27518.

Volunteers Needed!

Contact kelseysarrault@rlscary.org.

Student Ministry

Middle School and High School

Wow! It's almost the end of another school year! Our May schedule is a little wonky, but full of lots of our favorite events. Mark your calendar... we will be celebrating our Seniors in the 11:00 am service on June 4.

Congratulations to our Confirmands! It is such an exciting and important step in your faith journey. Just like Pastor Alan said at the Banquet however, this is just one chapter. The next chapter begins and I am so excited to welcome you to Breakaway along with our High School Crew on May 21 for our traditional Glow Night. ALL rising Freshman are welcome and invited! We look forward to welcoming you to the family!

Here's what is coming up...

- **Sunday, May 14 - Mother's Day**
9:30-10:30 am - Connection Cafe (Sunday School for Middle/High School)
No Breakaway (High School Youth Group)
- **Sunday, May 21**
9:30-10:30 am - **Last** Connection Cafe (Sunday School for Middle/High School)
Super Fun Bible Jeopardy and Donuts!
6:30-8:00 pm - Breakaway (High School Youth Group)
Glow Night! We will be welcoming our rising Freshman.
- **Sunday, May 28**
No Breakaway (High School Youth Group)



Questions? Contact Ms. Jenny, Youth Director
jenny.piontek@rlcary.org

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool



**Resurrection Lutheran
Preschool**

**3-year-olds
to rising kindergarteners**

(children currently in our 2's classes are eligible)
(ALL Ages **MUST** be toilet-trained)

June 5 – 8 (9:15-12:30)

June 12 – 15 (9:15-12:30)

June 19 – 22 (9:15-12:30)

Neighbors, friends, & family welcome!

EMAIL FOR BROCHURE & REGISTRATION FORMS!

Mark Your Calendars!

email- **office@rlpcary.org**

call- **919-851-7270**

Resurrection Lutheran School

Wanted

People Who Cherish Christian Education

Resurrection Lutheran School is looking for you. This summer, two school board positions will become open and we are looking for replacements. If you have any interest, please contact John Heilman, Bill Xenakis, or the church office at 919-851-7248 or office@rlcary.org.



Resurrection Lutheran School | 919-851-7271 | rlscary.org

Latest Lion's Tale

WORSHIP SERVICES

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

Praise Worship
in Family Life Center
Sunday, *11:00 am

**Services Live Streamed to YouTube*

Online Worship Bulletins

For online services, connect through our YouTube channel at
youtube.com/ResurrectionLutheranChurchCaryNC
or through our website at
rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship.

Attendance and Giving

Visual Faith

Church Calendar

Resurrection Lutheran Church 100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518
rlcary.org | 919-851-7248 | office@rlcary.org

Prayers of the Church – May 14, 2023

*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, *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 & Elizabeth Langefeld's Baby Adoption, Caitlyn, Mark Zimmerman, Justus Nicolai, Alex Fernandez, *Cheri Spitz

Ongoing Cancer Treatments

*Mike Allen, Anne Price, *Gary Ferro, Angie Price, Alison Zieglmeier, Carol Diliberto, Jackie, Linda H., Kathy Siemon, Scott Brinkley, *Bill Xenakis, Linda, Jimmy Ketner, Hope Mackelprang, Melissa Huntsman, Sue, Kathy, Pamm Haley, Judy Dean, Bob, Michael Murphy

For Expectant Moms

Brianne Kibler, *Janet Lucien

Those Prayed for on May 7, 2023

Thanking God Today

- Our RLC Family
- Family Celebrations and Time Together, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Weddings, Baptisms
- Our Many Blessings
- Safe Travels
- Caring Organizations Within Our Local Communities
- *Ed Altieri, Recovery
- *Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Recovery
- The Work of the RLS Principal Call Committee
- People Beginning New Jobs
- Mike Heffner's Birthday Today

For Healing

- *Becky Berger
- *Kim Goss
- All Those Exposed to COVID, with COVID, and Recovering from COVID
- Blind Ministry Guests - Maria Barker, Judy Dean, Sheila McNair, Linda Jones, Desiree, James
- *Brendan Nigg, Recovery

- *Cheri Spitz
- *Eve Sommers, Continued Recovery at Home
- *Marina de Moura Torres
- *Greta Nelson
- Shannon, Friend of *Katy Johnson
- Paul Wozniak, Cancer Treatment
- Mary Ann Wozniak, Cancer Treatment
- Randi, Bill, Richard, Ruthie, Janet, Tommy, Megan, Tim, Justin, Red, Brian, Kevin, Keith, Mark, Timmy, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Anne, Skylar, Stuart, Linda, Margaret, Meta, Alice, Paul, Brendan, Valter, Rich and Jan, Julian, Joann, Grace, Agnes, Harold, Ken, Donald, Debbie, Dana, Corey

For Comfort

- Friends and Family of Chris Rasmussen, Friend of *Lynne Hoffman
- Friends and Family of Glenn Wagner, Brother of *Dawn Leister

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- People of Ukraine, And All Those Who Serve to Support Them
- Persecuted Christians
- Uganda Lutheran Church
- All Those Supporting Family Members with Caregiving Needs
- Resurrection Lutheran School Principal Decision
- DCE Call Process and Staffing Decisions
- *Randi and Barry Munns
- Annie Ruth Ford, Mother of *Dennis Ford
- *Eric and *Jill Hammergren
- *Jan and Paul Wozniak
- Jan and Rich Bloom
- Stuart and Sue Sanders, and the *Boyer Family
- Linda H., In Hospice Care
- Those Enduring Marriage Struggles
- Those Seeking Jobs and Career Changes
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- People and Communities Affected by Spring Storms
- Prisoners

For the Lord's Wisdom, Guidance, Strength for the Health and Well-Being of the People They Serve

- Pastor Jonathan and Juli, Associate Pastor Zach and Kelsey, Assistant Pastor Alan and Faith, and Their Families
- Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools Staff
- *Bob Unger and Robin Hester's Leadership of RLS During This Interim Period
- Area Pastors and School Staff
- Our Stephen Ministers

For Our Missionaries

- *Mark and *Megan Mantey, Uganda
[Click here for the Mantey's Newsletter!](#)
- JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia
[Click here for the Cima Family Newsletter!](#)
- Shauen and Krista Trump, Kenya
[Click here for the Trump's Newsletter!](#)

*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.*

***RLC Members**

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Attendance and Giving – May 14, 2023

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, May 6

6:00 pm - 51

Sunday, May 7

8:00 am - 93; 9:30 am - 121; 11:00 am - 97

Total In-Person Worship: 424

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, May 7

8:00 am - 99; 11:00 am - 44

Total Online Views: 180 views

General Fund Giving and Spending - March 2023

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 91,385.92	\$ 962,570.07
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 112,168.78</u>	<u>\$ 983,183.70</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ -20,782.86	\$ -20,613.63

This Week's Offerings: \$27,368.44

Average Weekly Giving for 2022/23: \$24,681.28

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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