

Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 18, 2023



Pastor's Corner for June 18-24

You Can Do It (Matthew 9:37-38)

This is Father's Day weekend, a time to give thanks to God for dads, for the sacrifices they make for their children and families, and for all who fill the void of fatherhood when ordinary dads cannot be present. Experience teaches that some fathers excel at their vocation more readily than others. But the best dads do what they can to be strong for their families and they point to God and God's love for them as the ultimate and only long-lasting source of strength and hope.

Jesus was not an ordinary father, of course! But not only did He sometimes call His

disciples “little children” (John 13:33), He would point the way to the Father’s ability to use us to accomplish what seems impossible and overwhelming. Today Jesus tells His disciples as He looks with compassion at a crowd in need of healing and leading: “What a huge harvest! How few workers! On your knees and pray for harvest hands!” (Matt 9:38 [MSG]). Of course, Jesus is asking God’s “children” to pray. But wasn’t He also encouraging them, at the same time? In a sense, He is saying, “The needs out there seem... and at times truly are...overwhelmingly huge! But God answers prayer. He will use your prayers— and perhaps, even you— to accomplish His purposes. With your heavenly Father on your side, you can do it.”

Last Wednesday, Rev. Shauen Trump, RLC missionary and LCMS Regional Director for Africa visited the RLC community. He shared so much of what God is doing on the African continent. There are schools where girls— as well as boys— are given a chance to study and prepare for a vocation. There are seminaries where African churches are training future pastors. There are opportunities for mission partners to work together to literally “raise the roof” for new church buildings in places where infrastructure is limited. At the end of his presentation with us, Pastor Shauen reminded us that RLC is connected to the harvest God is providing in Africa through our prayers, financial support, and personal activity in places like Uganda. It was an encouraging message! It was a message not only about the vastness of the harvest, but what God was able to do through folks like you and me.

Whether in Africa or right here at home, it would be easy to see only the needs and feel like doing anything about them is simply too big a job. Where do we start? Jesus tells us there is much God can do in difficult situations and invites us to pray He might raise up workers for his harvest fields. We can’t do it alone. Our heavenly Father can— and does. Let’s keep praying for more harvest workers. And let’s consider what corner of the harvest field God is calling each and every one of us to be at work in.

Erika Hulse to Serve as Short-Term Missionary in Poland

This weekend, RLC Children and Family Ministry Director Erika Hulse will be sharing a bit with us about her upcoming trip as a short-term missionary to Bladnice, Poland. We look forward to hearing more about what God is doing through the Gospel of Christ in Eastern Europe and continue to keep this time of

preparation for her and the people she will serve in our prayers.

Organizational Meeting for '23-'24 Adult Christian Education Leaders, This Wednesday (6/21)

This coming Wednesday, June 21, all who are interested in leading or facilitating small group activities centered on God's Word between September 2023 and May 2024 are invited to attend an organizational meeting at RLC in the Fellowship Hall. We will talk about scheduling, topics of interest, and groups we are able to serve. If you are interested in helping, I invite you to join us!

Invitation to Join Planning for Wednesday Night Workshop Dinners

Wednesday Night Workshop dinners at RLC begin Wednesday, September 6. Kim Simpson, our Fellowship Committee leader, will be facilitating online conversations via Zoom to plan for these fall events. The Zoom conversations will be on Wednesdays starting at 8 PM. If you would like to help or find out more, I encourage you to reach out to Kim Simpson or the church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248).

Peace and joy in Christ,
Pastor Jonathan

Prayers of the Church

Welcome!
New Members



Bill Douglas, Jr.



Robin Hester



Shanise Manyfield-Russell



Baptized on Sunday, June 18 at 9:30 am

Vivian Claire Lucien

born May 23, 2023,
daughter of Ted Michael Lucien Jr. and Janet Niquette Lucien.
Godparents are Erika Rose and Avery Rose.

May God's blessing be upon Vivian Claire as she grows in her baptismal grace.

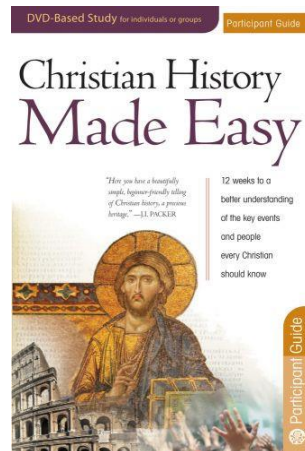
Summer Adult Christian Ed Class

Yes, we will again have a summertime Sunday School for adults. The class will be

held **Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am from June 11-August 27** 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!



Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, **June 17 and 18**. 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 Lochmere Drive West, 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!



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, June 20 from 8:00-9:00 pm, we will gather at Pastor Zach's house (7529 Faith Haven Ct., Willow Spring NC 27592) to look into God's Word and the challenges that come from this life-giving, life-changing Word!

If you're interested, contact Pastor Zach (zach.sarrault@rlcary.org) or Elliot Lubak.



Saturday, June 24

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.

Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry for
the Visually Impaired meets

Friday, June 30

5:30-7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

We thank all of our faithful volunteers who helped again to make our last meal and time of fellowship with our blind and visually impaired guests on May 26th such an amazing evening!

We appreciate anyone who would like to come and help! Contact Annette Langefeld-Kennedy or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

A promotional graphic for a Poland Mission Trip. It features a map of Poland on the left with a green arrow pointing to the location. In the center is a white box with a purple border containing the text "JESUS FREES US" and a stick figure with arms raised. Below this are the words "Forgive", "Trust", "Live", "Praise", and "Mercy". On the right is a cartoon illustration of a woman with glasses and a green shirt. At the bottom right is a photograph of a church building. The text "Parafia Ewangelicko-Augsburska Bładnice" is written below the church photo.

Poland Mission Trip

Erika Hulse, Mission Trip
July 31 - August 14

LCMS Short Term Missions

**JESUS
FREES
US**

Forgive Praise
Trust Live Mercy

Parafia Ewangelicko-Augsburska
Bładnice

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.

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: \$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

And just like that the school year is done! I am so grateful for all of the youth and families this year. I wish all of you a very happy summer and can't wait to see you again in the FALL!



On **June 18-23**, our Middle School youth will be traveling with the YouthWorks program to Rutherford County, North Carolina right in the foothills of the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains. This area is both a beautiful travel destination and a struggling manufacturing area that struggles with food insecurity, homelessness, drugs, and parents looking for safe spaces for their children while they work. We will be working alongside organizations like the Salvation Army, YMCA, the local Community Garden and Food Banks, to build relationships with community members and learn how we can use our hands to do Jesus' work throughout Rutherford County.

Our RLC group of 7 youth and 3 adult leaders will be immersed in devotions, serving at our sleeping location, serving the community, and coming together in both our small group and our larger group to give praise each night for the amazing work God is doing within Rutherford County. We ask for prayers for our group, as well as share the prayer YouthWorks has for our servant location:

“Please pray for the ministry of Work Projects and with our Service Partners that will happen in Rutherford County this summer and that we continue to build deeper relationships with the community members. Pray that as YouthWorks arrives for summer 2023, we can support the community well, add to the great things happening there already and shine Jesus' love and light.”

A special thank you to Harrison Hulse for being my number two on this Mission Trip. For helping with serving, caring and developing small group time that will be meaningful, and build the groups relationships with each other and God. Thank you to LeAnn Trautman (Jordan Lutheran) for coming along as a partner to help drive the group around all week, keeping the youth wrangled, and allowing them to have a safe, fun adult to see them through the highs and lows of a Mission Trip.



**Middle School Mission Trip
June 18-23**



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



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

Latest Lion's Tale

WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Worship in Sanctuary	Praise Worship in Family Life Center
Saturday, 6:00 pm	Sunday, *11:00 am
Sunday, *8:00 & 9:30 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



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Prayers of the Church – June 18, 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 and 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, Kathy Siemon, Scott Brinkley, *Bill Xenakis, Linda, Jimmy Ketner, Hope Mackelprang, Melissa Huntsman, Sue, Kathy, Pamm Haley, Judy Dean, Bob, Michael Murphy, Greta Nelson, Marina de Moura Torres

For Expectant Moms

Brianne Kibler, *Brittany McGrady, Katie Wozniak

Those Prayed for on June 11, 2023

Thanking God Today

- Our RLC Family
- Family Celebrations and Time Together, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Weddings, Baptisms, Confirmations, and Graduations
- Our Many Blessings
- Safe Travels
- Caring Organizations Within Our Local Communities
- *Brendan Nigg, Recovery
- Vacation Bible School and Volunteers
- Robin Hester Commissioned as Resurrection Lutheran School Principal
- Resurrection Lutheran School Staff Anniversaries
- Resurrection Lutheran School 2023 -2024 Enrollment
- Rebecca's 18th Birthday and High School Graduation
- Julie's 40th Birthday
- 61st Anniversary for Bill and Eileen

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
- *Cheri Spitz; *Eve Sommers, Continued Recovery at Home and Her Daughter, Janice
- *Marina de Moura Torres
- *Greta Nelson
- Shannon, Friend of *Katy Johnson
- Paul Wozniak, Cancer Treatment; Mary Ann Wozniak, Cancer Treatment
- Lonnie, Emergency Surgery and Recovery
- *Mindy Stephani
- *Greg Jarvis
- Julian, Shelby, Noreen, Mike, Peter, Esther, Viola, Jadi, Simona, Alice, Gordon, Carol, Denise, Marina, Bonnie, Bernie, Stuart, Justin, Blaise, Glen, Tim, Justin, Red, Brian, Mark, Keith, Kevin, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Skylar, Ruthie, Stephanie, Mara, Connie, Sue, Karen, Marti, Eric, Debby, Dana, Kris

For Comfort

- Friends and Family of Melissa Kirkendall's Grandmother, Daughter-In-Law of *Sara Kirkendall
- Friends and Family of Tom Thompson, Husband of Ann Thompson, VDC and TEC Community
- Friends and Family of Linda Hooper, Sister-In-Law of *Ken and *Diane Hooper

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
- Travel Mercies
- Barry Munns and Family
- 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
- Those Enduring Marriage Struggles
- Those Seeking Jobs and Career Changes, Especially Dave
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- RLC Voter's Meeting on June 11
- Staffing Needs at Resurrection Lutheran School
- Keep College Students Safe During the Summer, at Internships
- People Struggling with Mental Illness
- Kathy, Mourning Loss of Son
- Rain in Canada
- Mason and Katie

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
- Area Pastors and School Staff
- Our Stephen Ministers

For Our Missionaries

- *Mark and *Megan Mantey, Kenya
[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 – June 18, 2023

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, June 10

6:00 pm - 51

Sunday, June 11

8:00 am - 68; 9:30 am - 157; 11:00 am - n/a

Total In-Person Worship: 276

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, June 11

8:00 am - 108; 11:00 am - 37

Total Online Views: 154 views

General Fund Giving and Spending - May 2023

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 102,634.09	\$ 1,183,267.03
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 110,818.75</u>	<u>\$ 1,201,034.92</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ -8,184.66	\$ -17,767.89

This Week's Offerings: \$25,469.26

Average Weekly Giving for 2022/23: \$24,651.40

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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