

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 13, 2023



Pastor's Corner for August 13-19

"Little Faith" Followers (Matthew 14:22-33)

One summer after college, when I was working as a camp counselor in Michigan, I recall how exhilarated many of the boys in my charge felt to do a lot of things for the first time. These city kids weren't young men— not yet. But in learning how to ride a horse or build a fire or compete in a fun activity, many of them experienced a kind of exhilaration. It was summer camp, after all! Their newfound skill sets made them feel powerful... maybe even a little invincible. So, when it came time to learn basic safety before taking out the canoes on the lake, no one wanted to put on a life jacket! Such a precaution seemed only necessary for lesser mortals.

We don't know what was going through Peter's mind when he took those first

steps outside the boat, but something tells me it was pretty heady stuff. Life can be like that. Starting out with a measure of “success” in our family life, on the job, or even in our calling to share the love of God with others never means we’ve somehow mastered the chaos of life. Far from it. And if we ever make the mistake of living as if we have, it’s just a matter of time before we start to sink. As St. Paul puts it, “if you think you are standing firm, watch out that you don’t fall.”

Jesus rules the wind and wave! Jesus Himself has even withstood the testing of the Adversary and emerged victorious! As such, He is Lord even over the tempestuous seas of our most overwhelming challenges. One day we will experience in all its fullness the only victory that truly matters: our rescue from the storms of life for all eternity. In the meantime, when we fall, Jesus stretches out His hand and grabs us, always ready to forgive and to set us back on terra firma once again. Together like Peter, we are “little faith” followers. Thank heaven that Jesus’ hands are strong enough— and big enough— to always catch us.

Second Confirmation Info and Registration Session Sunday, August 13 @ 12:30 PM

If you missed the first opportunity to join us for registration info regarding the upcoming Confirmation year (beginning September 6), you aren’t too late! Our second session will be this Sunday at 12:30 PM in Room 151. Parents or legal guardians of all youth registering for Confirmation, whether this is their first year or not, are asked to attend one of our information sessions so as to receive registration documents and have any questions answered. Pastor Zach, Jenny Piontek, Anne Altieri and I are looking forward to an awesome year together with all of you!

Peace and joy in Christ,
Pastor Jonathan

Prayers of the Church

Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, August 12 and 13. 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!



COFFEE & Fellowship

Join us on Sunday
from 9:00-9:30 am
in the Fellowship Hall!

Summer Adult Christian Ed Class

This summertime Sunday School for adults is held **Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am from June 11-August 27** in the Fellowship Hall. The program is titled, *Christian History Made Easy*. During the class, we 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 is featured in each class.

There are two study guides for the class and we ask for a donation of \$10. Led by Mindy Stephani with assistance from Tim Kearby. Make plans to attend the Saturday night service or one on Sunday at 8:00 am or 11:00 am, and come and join us!



Poland Mission Trip
Erika Hulse, Mission Trip
July 31 - August 14
LCMS Short Term Missions

JESUS FREES US
Forgive Trust Live Praise Mercy

Parafia Ewangelicko-Augsburska Bładnice

The graphic features a map of Poland with a green arrow pointing to the location of Bładnice. On the right, there is a cartoon illustration of a woman with glasses and a green shirt, and a photograph of the Parafia Ewangelicko-Augsburska Bładnice church building.



Adult Game Night

August 13

Looking for a night of fun and fellowship?

Like to play board/card games?

Join us the 2nd Sunday of the month from 5:00-9:30 pm
for Adult Game Night in Room 240, Family Life Center!

We'll bring a variety of games, but feel free to bring your favorite.

For more information or to sign up, contact Sandy Wuori or Ben Wuori
through RCB or the church office at 919-851-7248 or office@rlcary.org.

This is a Volunteer Opportunity for you!

Come learn more about it on **Tuesday, August 22** at 10:00 am
in the Fellowship Hall.

Our church has an opportunity to team up with a program funded by the Rotary Club of Cary called, *Read-A-Book, Get-A-Book*, that provides support of young, emerging readers in a Wake County Public School.

If this looks like something of interest to you, I encourage you to consider giving an hour for one, two or three (your choice) mornings a week and join us for the information session noted above.

Please know that you do not need specific skills. You will be an encourager as children read to you. I am excited about this program! It's one way we can serve children in our community. By the end of the year, each child who participates will have a little library of books in their home they can read. The joy of reading opens up the world!

[Please reach out to me](#), Juli Blanke, and let me know if you will be able to attend the Info Session on Tuesday, August 22 at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.



Read-A-Book, Get-A-Book
A Supplemental Reading Intervention

Men's Ministry

All men invited to the
August Men's Summer Fellowship Event!

Wednesday, August 23 at 6:30 pm

BJ's Brewhouse – Cary

Questions? Contact Tom Gebbia at mens-ministry@rlcary.org.

Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry for
the Visually Impaired meets

Friday, August 25

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

Contact Annette Langefeld-Kennedy to learn more and for volunteer needs
or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

Wednesday Night Dinners

Mark your calendars! We are thrilled to announce the return of Wednesday Night Dinners from 5:00-6:00 pm in the Family Life Center Gym **starting September 6**. Begin with a delightful dinner, then stay for a variety of activities, including adult Christian ed classes, confirmation, youth events, and music ministry rehearsals.

Our dinners are thoughtfully prepared, catering to all ages with a kid friendly,

buffet-style setup. We will have a fantastic vegetarian option available upon request. Plus, a delectable dessert to satisfy your sweet tooth. An excellent opportunity to bond with family and friends over a sit-down meal!

In the upcoming weeks, we will begin to collect RSVPs through the church website and provide an online sign up for volunteers interested in helping with set up, serving, and cleaning. We also welcome individuals or groups who would like to contribute to preparing the food. Look for details in the weekly announcements.

Questions? Contact Kim Simpson through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org). We look forward to seeing you there!

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 (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248) for assistance.

Children and Family Ministry


CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Survey

Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to fill out the Children and Family Ministry Survey. Your input will help us plan for the upcoming year! If you haven't submitted your survey yet, please click here:
<https://forms.gle/kMmqeBLyy7v9nbC76>



TAKE SURVEY




Let the little children come to me.
Matthew 19:14

Registration

Registration is now open for the new school year. Please take a minute to register your child(ren) for upcoming classes and activities.
 Please click here to register:
<https://forms.gle/s4Hm91aa zPiNZm7m7>

REGISTER NOW



Volunteers

Want to make an impact in the lives of the children in our church?

Contact Erika at: erika.hulse@rlcary.org

Needs: nursery attendant
 teacher
 teacher helper
 leader of games & devotion

Links:

Survey - forms.gle/kMmqeBLyy7v9nbC76

Registration - forms.gle/s4Hm91aa zPiNZm7m7



Mama Bear Apologetics...also for Papa Bears

Join us at Resurrection Lutheran Church for a book study on Mama Bear Apologetics!
 We will offer 2 identical sessions each week.
 Tuesday afternoons from 2:00-3:00 in the Church Fellowship Hall or
 Wednesday evenings from 6:00-7:00 in Room 240 at RLS beginning September 5th and 6th.
 You will need to purchase the Mama Bear Apologetics Book.

You will want to attend if you have your own children or grandchildren, want to have children one day, or interact with children on a regular basis - anyone that has an intentional relationship with kids is encouraged to join us.

Learn how to raise kids who think critically, love Biblically, and stand firm against the cultural tide. This book study will equip you to teach your kids how to affirm Biblical beliefs about what is true and what is false. Through transparent life stories and clear, practical applications—including prayer strategies—these Mama Bears offer you tools to train yourself, so you can turn around and train your kids.

For more information, shoot us an email at
zach.sarrault@rlcary.org or erika.hulse@rlcary.org

Questions? Contact Erika Hulse, Children and Family Ministry Director
erika.hulse@rlcary.org

Student Ministry

Middle School and High School

I hope you all have had an amazing summer! Some of you I am sure are settling back into school routines, while others are getting supplies ready. I am so excited and eagerly awaiting the start of all things Youth here at RLC. Our summer mission trips were exciting, faith building, and energizing to move forward into a great year of activities and opportunities.

The RLC Youth Ministry focuses on relationships; building a relationship with God first, each other, our church, and our community.

Colossians 1:17, "And he is before all things,
and in him all things hold together."

We are a community that keeps Christ at the center while having fun in our faith! God has so many great things in store for the youth at RLC. Let's get started!

- [Health and Participation Forms](#)
- Follow the Youth on Instagram - [@youthatrlc](#)

Group Me will be updated over the next couple of weeks to add our new youth and families.

Important Dates:

- **Sunday, August 20** from 2:30-4:30 pm
Clean and Prep the Warehouse for a Great Year
Be ready to work, get messy, organize, and prep the room.

- **Sunday, August 27** from 2:30-4:30 pm
Kick Off of Youth Events with Parent Meetings

I am looking forward to a great year and walking on this journey of faith with your youth! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

Questions? Contact Ms. Jenny, Youth Director

jenny.piontek@rlcary.org

919-851-7248, ext. 24

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool



Resurrection Lutheran **PRESCHOOL** Enrolling NOW for **2023-24**

Around
\$23
for a **3-4**
hour day
of
preschool
includes:

+Classes for children 2-years-old thru 5-years-old+

- * Co-Teaching Teams develop a 'learning through play' environment
- * Developmentally age-appropriate, hands-on, child-centered experiences
- * Balance of social/academic opportunities
- * Experienced, nurturing, dedicated Staff
- * Average of over 10 years staffing stability
- * Weekly **Chapel & Music/Movement** for all ages
- * Weekly **Science** for 4's & T-K
- * Partnership with families to provide a top-quality program
- * A loving Christian atmosphere



Drive-Up Drop-Off/Pick-Up (for All ages)

To ENROLL or schedule a Tour- email office@rlpcary.org or call **919.851.7270**

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool | 919-851-7270 | rlpcary.org

Resurrection Lutheran School

Developing the 4C's in 5th Grade!
Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking



rlscary.org
Junior Kindergarten-8th Grade

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.

Visual Faith

Attendance and Giving

Church Calendar



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Prayers of the Church – August 13, 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, 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, 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, Paul Wozniak, Mary Ann Wozniak

For Expectant Moms

Katie Wozniak

Those Prayed for on August 6, 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
- Deb Oesterling and Don Morrow's Wedding on August 4, 2023
- J.P. and Aimee Cima's Visit to RLC, Their Ministry in Cambodia
- The Generosity of RLC for Christmas in July
- Good Test Results for Cody

For Healing

- *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

- *Marina de Moura Torres, Recovery After Surgery
- *Greta Nelson
- Shannon, Friend of *Katy Johnson
- Julie Wozniak, Recovery
- *Ginny Koren
- *Hope Studt
- *Mindy Stephani, Recovery
- Joseph McKinney, In Pediatric ICU Waiting Heart Transplant
- Patti, Alex, Brian, Alice, Charles, Linda, Karl, Sandy, Dana, Justin, Tim, Red, Brian, Kevin, Ira, Weston, Eve, Jim, Mary, Mark, Keith, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Anne, Skylar, Julie, Shirley, Amanda, Stuart, Sharon, Angela, Paul, Ken, Harold, Donald, Emily, Kathy, Shannon, Eric, Mara, Connie, Karen, Marti, Sue

For Comfort

- Friends and Family of *Randi Munns
- Friends and Family of Virginia Sherlin, Mother of *Jackie Ring
- Friends and Family of *Lena Licciardi

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 for All Traveling This Summer
- 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 and Families in Turmoil
- Those Seeking Jobs and Career Changes
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- Family Transitions, Especially College Students and Their Families
- *Erika Hulse, Short Term Mission Trip to Poland, July 31-August 14
- LCMS Convention
- Installation of Pastor Dakota, Whispering Pines

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 – August 13, 2023

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, August 5

6:00 pm - 57

Sunday, August 6

8:00 am - 57; 9:30 am - 116; 11:00 am - 130

Total In-Person Worship: 360

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, August 6

8:00 am - 77; 11:00 am - 35

Total Online Views: 112 views

General Fund Giving and Spending - June 2023

	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
General Receipts	\$ 91,526.83	\$ 1,274,793.86
<u>Total Disbursements</u>	<u>\$ 123,726.43</u>	<u>\$ 1,324,711.39</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ -32,199.60	\$ -49,917.53

This Week's Offerings: \$22,578.58

Average Weekly Giving for 2022/23: \$24,515.26

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 enter the 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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