

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2024



Pastor's Corner for February 18-24, 2024

Where Temptation Comes From (James 1:13-17)

Ever found yourself a little befuddled by the words of the Lord's Prayer? I admit I have. For example, ever thought it odd to pray to God "Lead us not into temptation"? The Scriptures tell us "God cannot be tempted by evil and he himself tempts no one" (1:13). That doesn't contradict the words of the Lord's Prayer but does invite more questions: If God doesn't tempt us, where does temptation come from? Is an all-powerful God somehow complicit in our being tempted? What are we praying for when we pray the Lord's Prayer?

There's a lot that might be said. The most important point is that EVERYONE experiences temptation. Our issue is not the problem of "feeling tempted," but the problem of no longer feeling the need to be rid of the temptation. Our problem comes in consenting to the temptation or not asking God to help us confront it. That's where the Lord's Prayer comes in. According to the Scriptures, temptation comes from one of three places: (1) our own sinful flesh, (2) the world, or (3) the devil. Luther described our own "sinful flesh" as the source of temptations related to unchastity, laziness, gluttony, drunkenness, greed, and deceit. Temptations by "the world" are categorized as temptations to be driven to anger and impatience. "There is in [the world]" Luther writes, "nothing but hatred and envy, enmity, violence and injustice, perfidy, vengeance, cursing, reviling, slander, arrogance, and pride, along with fondness for luxury, honor, fame, and power. No one is willing to be the least, but everyone wants to sit in the chief seat and be seen by all." Finally, the devil tempts us especially in matters related to faith. "His purpose is to make us scorn and despise both the Word and the works of God, to tear us away from faith, hope, and love, to draw us into unbelief, false security, and stubbornness, or, on the contrary, to drive us into despair, atheism, blasphemy, and countless other abominable sins" (LC 3, 104). I found it interesting — and truthful — when Luther says that while anyone can experience any kind of temptation, youths may be tempted chiefly by the flesh, older people by the world, and strong Christians by the devil (LC 3, 107). We don't live in the 16th century anymore, but some things haven't changed very much.

God is not complicit in our being tempted. Indeed, our heavenly Father has sent us a Savior. Jesus knows what we face. He faced it himself! Though we live in a world where we stand today and stumble tomorrow, "[Jesus] understands our weaknesses. He was tempted in every way as we are but did not sin" (Hebrews 4:14-16). So, we pray, "Lead us not into temptation" ... or in other words, "Lord, help us not to fall and yield to temptation." Though we know only defeat, the giver of every perfect gift declares Jesus' victory to be our victory. Jesus fought and won the fight we cannot. What joy to know that HIS prayer has now become OUR prayer too.

In the peace of Jesus' cross,
Pastor Jonathan

Please note, there will be no Sunday School for children and youth this week.

Prayers of the Church

New Sunday Morning Adult Christian Education

Life Lived Under the Cross of Jesus

Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am
February 18-March 24
Fellowship Hall

We will be using resources produced by Concordia Publishing House (Spirituality of the Cross, [3rd edition] by Gene Edward Veith, Jr. and Lutheran Spirituality: Cross by Holger Sonntag) to look at the issue of Christian spirituality, especially as it is understood in the Lutheran tradition.

Each session will offer meaningful interaction with God's Word and what the Scriptures have to say on topics like vocation, the hiddenness of God, the means of grace (and presence of God), etc. Ever heard of folks who claim to be "spiritual, but not religious"? This class is for people of faith who identify with the "religious" life of worship and spiritual disciplines, yet long to connect more meaningfully both to the ancient church and the contemporary need to experience Christ "authentically."

Materials will be provided. Led by Pastor Jonathan Blanke and Pastor Zach Sarrault.



Baptized on Sunday, February 18 at 9:30 am

Madison Paige Aiello

born August 10, 2023,
daughter of Nicholas Francis Aiello and Alison Kensmoe Aiello.

Godparents are Andrew Kensmoe, Britney Kensmoe, Jacob Kensmoe, and Brooke Kensmoe.

*May God's blessing be upon Madison Paige
as she grows in her baptismal grace.*



**Lenten Midweek
Worship**

**Join us on Wednesdays, 6:00 pm
in the Sanctuary starting February 21!**

Live stream available.

Wednesday Night Workshop will operate
on an adjusted schedule.

Lenten Offerings

Offerings received during the Lenten Midweek Worship Services this year will go to support the following:

Triangle Family Services

Since 1937, Triangle Family Services has served as a place for sustainable solutions helping families facing a crisis. They provide solutions to provide safety and security to local families and enabling our community to thrive. Their focus is on four core program areas: Family Safety, Financial Stability, Mental Health, and Homeless Engagement/Housing Stabilization.

Inter-Faith Food Shuttle

Since 1989, Inter-Faith Food Shuttle (IFS) has recovered and distributed over a million pounds of food per year and has taught skills for self-sufficiency including culinary job skills, shopping and cooking healthy on a budget, and how to grow food. They service seven area counties, including Wake County, and their programs support low-income families living in 'food deserts' and without the income to purchase healthy meals. They partner with food providers, houses of worship, and community housing to distribute access free food at mobile markets where needy families live. IFS was started by two women, a Christian and a Jew, who wanted to recover and distribute food that would otherwise end up in landfills.

Lutheran Braille Workers

Lutheran Braille Workers (LBW) provides God's word – the Bible and other Christian materials) to people who are blind or visually impaired, completely free of charge, in quality formatted Braille and specialized large print, and in multiple languages. LBW started in 1943 in response to a shortage of Braille Bibles for blind pastors in Germany and now provides materials throughout the world.

Please place your offerings in the specially marked offering envelopes or denote "Lenten Offerings" on your payment. Thank you for your generosity in supporting these important charities and ministries!

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday

Life Lived Under the Cross of Jesus

Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

February 18-March 24

Contacts: Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Pastor Zach Sarrault

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Training to Become a Stephen Minister

Starting February 25

Contacts: Pastor Alan Shaw, Jan Boyer, Sue Campau

Stephen Ministry training has been rescheduled and will now start on Sunday, February 25. If you missed the January deadline, now is your chance to join us. If you have an interest in caring for others when difficulties in their lives become a burden, then this ministry is for you! Please reach out to Jan Boyer or Sue Campau to get an application or to learn more about the training and ministry!

Monday

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

Measured by Grace: How God Defines Success by Sharla Fritz

Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm in Room 151, Family Life Center

Ongoing

Contact: Jamee Thieme

In the Bible, you'll find no lack of sinfulness, shortcomings, rejections, and broken people. People like Joseph, Rahab, David, Jeremiah, John the Baptist, The Samaritan Woman, Peter, and Paul. We see them as people God transformed, turning their lack into faithfulness for His good. Study these eight biblical figures to see that God does the same for you.

Men's Weekly

Christian History Made Easy

Mondays, 7:00-8:15 pm in Room 240, Family Life Center

Ongoing

Contact: Tom Gebbia

Current study is *Christian History Made Easy* by Timothy Paul Jones. This book summarizes the most important events in Christian history from the time of Jesus to today in 12 chapters, presenting key events and people every Christian should know.

Tuesday

Tuesday Morning Bible Study and Fellowship

Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

Ongoing

Contacts: Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Pastor Zach Sarrault

We will look at the appointed readings from each week that are used in the weekend sermons.

Wednesday

The Bible: Where It Comes from and Why It Matters

Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

February 21-April 24

Contacts: Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Ian Glenn

Introduction by Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kloha, Chief Curatorial Officer, Museum of the Bible. We all know that the Bible is at the center of what we believe, teach, and confess about God. Yet how many of us have learned how the Bible came to be over time? What role did God play in the formation of the entire Bible that was put together from its individual books? What are some of the differences between modern translations of the Bible? How "accurate" is the Bible we have today? How were the books of the Bible recognized as authoritative... and by whom? These are just some of the questions we will address as we read specific Bible verses and marvel at the gift of God's inspired Word to us today...the same Word spoken over God's people over the course of millennia!

Men with Kids

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 pm in Room 247, Family Life Center

Ongoing

Contact: Tom Gebbia

This group is designed to bring men in a similar season with similar life experiences and goals together. Currently studying Romans.

Christian education information, including detailed class descriptions, can be found [here](#).

To download the Christian Education Winter 2024, Block 2 Sheet, [click here](#). Paper copies are available at the Information Centers in the Narthex and Family Life Center Lobby.

Any questions can be directed to the church office at office@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248.

Wednesday Night Workshop Lent Schedule

5:00-5:30 pm

Dinner, FLC Gym

5:00-5:30 pm

Jubilee Bells, Sanctuary

5:30-6:00 pm

Rainbow Choir, Sanctuary

Sonshine Singers, Choir Room

6:00-7:00 pm

Lenten Midweek Worship

7:00-8:00 pm Adult Christian Ed

The Bible, Fellowship Hall

Men with Kids, RM 247

7:00-8:00 pm

Heavenly Handbells, Sanctuary

7:00-8:15 pm

Confirmation, RM 240

8:00-9:15 pm

Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

Wednesday Night Dinners

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!

Wednesday Night Dinner

5:00-5:30 pm in the Family Life Center Gym

(Please note time change for Lent)

All are welcome!

Suggested donation of \$5 per person or \$20 per family.

Cash, check, or card payable at door.

[Please register by Sunday evening here.](#)

Menu for February 21:

Ham, Scalloped Potatoes, Salad, Fruit, and Dessert

Interested in volunteering to help with set up, serving, and cleaning? [Sign up here.](#)
If there are any individuals or groups that would like to contribute to preparing a WNW dinner, we would love to have you!

Questions? Contact Kim Simpson through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).



It is with great sadness and in Christian love and hope that we announce that our brother in Christ, Stuart Sanders, was called to rest with Jesus.

Our prayers are with his family, especially his wife Sue and stepdaughter, Jan Boyer, at this time.

Funeral will be held on **Saturday, February 17, 11:30 am** at Resurrection, followed by a reception in the Family Life Center.

Live stream will be available at youtube.com/@ResurrectionLutheranCary.

Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry for
the Visually Impaired meets

Friday, February 23

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

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



Saturday, February 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.

Easter Flowers

Due March 6

Time to order Easter flowers to be used in the Easter services! Choose from 6" Lily (\$15), 6" Mum (\$18), 6" Hydrangea (\$20), and 8" Azalea (\$25).

Orders are due by Wednesday, March 6. Forms are available in the Narthex and Family Life Center. You may also email office@rlcary.org or call 919-851-7248 with your order. Payment can follow.

Make checks payable to RLC and place in Linda Merrill/Office mailbox. All proceeds go to Resurrection Lutheran School.

Plants are from Campbell Nursery. You may pick up your plants to take home after the last Easter service on Sunday, March 31.



The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

Friday, March 8

We thank all our volunteers who help us to have wonderful Coffeehouses! We couldn't do it without our faithful volunteers. Please come be a volunteer with us! Our special needs guests love to attend these events and we need lots of volunteers to make them feel special and loved. We thank God for this ministry among us. We need Setter Uppers at 5:30 pm (both food and room), Servers at 6:30 pm, and Cleaner Uppers at 8:30 pm. Sign Up: <https://bit.ly/3kqoHGN>

The next Coffeehouse is **Friday, March 8 from 7:00-8:30 pm** in the Family Life Center gym. We will have Jonathan and Emily Hambrock play for us!

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



New Online Giving Site

Resurrection is pleased to announce our [new and improved online giving page](#)! Vanco, our eGiving provider, has updated their online giving platform to make it easier than ever to make one-time gifts or set up recurring donations to our church.

The new page is live on our site now and [available on our website](#). Nothing about our online giving has changed, except the look of the page. You can adjust existing donations, set up new gifts, and update personal information from the new Vanco Online.

We are thrilled about our online giving page's new look. Please stop by the church office or call us at 919-851-7248, if you have questions or need assistance. You can also email treasurer@rlcary.org or finance@rlcary.org.

RLC Worship Servants and Training

There is always a need for more volunteers to assist in all of our worship services. Please consider being a greeter or usher, a worship assistant or lay reader, a slide tech or live stream team member. Feel free to reach out directly 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's Ministry News February 2024

Nursery - The Nursery is staffed by screened volunteers Sunday mornings during 9:30 Worship for your Birth-3 year old child(ren). It is available for family use whenever needed.

Sunday School - Pre-K to 5th graders are welcomed Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 for Bible accounts, games, crafts and fun! Join us!

Kidz Live - Wednesday Nights from 6:00- 7:00 in the Family Life Center (Room 151 and gym) for Pre-K to 5th graders.

We will pause during Lent.

Upcoming Events:

Easter Eggstravaganza - March 17 at 3 pm
Mother Daughter Interactive Tea - April 6
Vacation Bible School - June 24-28

Moms Together

Moms, you are invited to join other moms for daytime get togethers

to socialize, share tips, make new friends, and work on crafts/projects.

Childcare is available for a small fee.

We also meet for evening activities occasionally.

Moms Together at Resurrection Lutheran Church

February 25 - Galentine's 5 pm Nightingales, Holly Springs
February 26 - 9:30 Walk Lochmere Greenway
March 11 - Moms Morning 9:30-11 Fellowship Hall
March 16 - Quilter Open House 10:00-noon FLC Room 151
March 21 - DT Cary Moms Night Out 5:30 pm
Bond Brothers walk to new park
April 6 - Mother Daughter Tea 11:30-1 Fellowship Hall
April 15 - Moms Morning 9:30-11 Fellowship Hall
April 21 - Moms Afternoon out ZincHouse



For dates and to sign up: <https://bit.ly/3ZVhyB8>

Children's Ministry Wish List

Do you happen to have any of these pictured items? The Children's Ministry Team is accepting donations for VBS. If anyone would like to donate a Thrivent Grant, that would be welcome as well!

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Thrivent Action Team
Grant



Sea creature cut
outs for decor



ocean themed table
cloths or back drops



used pool noodles -
any color



foil pans for
science experiments



paper lanterns - any color



Kinetic sand
or
play doh

Vacation Bible School ~ June 24-28, 2024

Questions? Contact Erika Hulse, Children and Family Ministry Director

erika.hulse@rlcary.org.

Youth Ministry

Middle School and High School

Did you know that we have a Moms Group? It is not just for moms of little kids, it's for moms of all ages and stages. Let's support each other! Check out the Galentine's event on February 25 at 5:00 pm. I will be there, and I hope to see some of you!

Here's what is coming up...

- **No Connection Cafe This Week Only**
(Sunday School for Middle and High School)
Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am
- **Middle School:** Ignite Youth Group
Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm
We will not meet during Lent.
- **High School:** Breakaway Youth Group
Sundays, 6:30-8:00 pm - ***February 18 Only***
- **Laser Tag Lock In for Middle and High School**
Friday, February 23
Middle School until 11:00 pm, High School All Night

Sign Up by Wednesday, February 21 with Ms. Jenny

Cost is \$10 and must be paid by or on Friday, February 23

Cash or check only, if paying at event, or you may pay online.

Follow this link and mark *Youth Laser Tag* as the purpose:

[Make a Payment | Resurrection Lutheran Church \(myvanco.com\)](#)

Health/Participation Forms must be complete in order to participate.

If you are bringing a friend, it is your responsibility to share this information with them and have their completed forms before Friday.

Here is the link: <https://forms.gle/ZmiTEngvjSoyvNxD7>



Questions? Contact Ms. Jenny, Youth Director
jenny.piontek@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248, ext. 24

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

Enroll NOW for the 2024-25 preschool year!

We offer classes for children, 2-years-old through 5-years-old.

Our program provides a balance of social and academic opportunities by means of 'learning through play' in a loving Christian atmosphere.

Class openings are also available for the current preschool year, 2023-24.



SUMMERCAMP

**Resurrection Lutheran
Preschool**

**3-year-olds
to Rising kindergarteners**
(children currently in our 2's classes can come!)
(ALL Ages MUST be toilet-trained)

June 3 – 6 (9:15-12:30)
June 10 – 13 (9:15-12:30)
June 17 – 20 (9:15-12:30)

RLChurch VBS June 24-28

Neighbors, friends, & family welcome!
Brochures and Registration forms coming soon.

Mark Your Calendars!

rlpcary.org | 919-851-7270 | office@rlpcary.org

Resurrection Lutheran School



rlsclary.org | 919-851-7271 | contact@rlsclary.org

Latest Lion's Tale

Western Wake Crisis Ministry

Western Wake Crisis Ministry is in need of the following items for February:

Peanut Butter and Jelly
Pancake Mix (Complete, Just Add Water)
Pancake Syrup
Oatmeal
Cereal
Snacks/Crackers
Chicken Noodle Soup
Pasta Sauce

Diced Tomatoes

Tomato Paste

Canned Tuna

Canned Chicken

You may bring in your donations and place them in the bin under the coat rack near the church mailboxes.

You can also drop them off directly to Western Wake at 1600 Olive Chapel Road, Suite 408, (in the "540 Flex" Complex), Apex. They accept donations between 9:30 am-12:00 pm or 3:00-5:00 pm, Monday-Thursday.



Summer is the time for fun! Time for games, s'mores, new friends, old friends, campfires and so much more! **Summer camp registration is officially open**, so make sure to claim your campers' spot.

For information on our programs and to register, visit camp-agape.org or reach out to our Program Director, Lucas, at program@agapekurebeach.org.

We can't wait to see you this summer!



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

This Week's Visual Faith Sheet

Attendance and Giving

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, February 10

6:00 pm - 50

Sunday, February 11

8:00 am - 99

9:30 am - 149

11:00 am - 99

Total In-Person Worship: 397

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, February 11

8:00 am - 90

11:00 am - 40

Total Online Views: 130 views

General Fund Giving and Spending - January 2024

	Current Month	Year to Date
General Receipts	\$ 91,182.09	\$ 829,021.89
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 111,394.61</u>	<u>\$ 817,955.25</u>
Receipts Less Disbursements	\$ - 20,212.52	\$ 11,066.64

This Week's Offerings: \$23,908.85

Average Weekly Giving for 2023/24: \$26,742.64

Average Weekly Giving Budgeted for 2023/24: \$27,761.30

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 during the worship service
- Mail to Resurrection Lutheran Church, 100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary, NC 27518
- Online Giving through rlcary.org/ministries/online-giving
- Download the Vanco Mobile app, Search for Resurrection Lutheran Church

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

Church Calendar



100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518

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919-851-7248 | office@rlcary.org

Prayers of the Church – February 18, 2024

*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 Kuo, *Geoffrey Wiggins, 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, Bob, Michael Murphy, *Greta Nelson, *Marina de Moura Torres, Paul Wozniak,
Carol Stano

For Expectant Moms

Carolyn St. Laurent, Hannah Peterson, Analissa Vasquez, Sara Phillips

Those Prayed for on February 11, 2024

Thanking God Today

- Our RLC Family
- Family Celebrations and Time Together, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Weddings, Births, Baptisms
- Our Many Blessings
- Safe Travels
- Caring Organizations Within Our Local Communities
- Birth of Patrick Charles Hartman
- Thanksgiving and Blessing for RLC Youth Preparing for First Communion
- Birth of Alden Brooks Zieglmeier, Grandparents *Jim and *Lana Zieglmeier,
Great-Grandmother *Lorraine Kieffer

For Healing

- *Kim Goss
- All Those Exposed to COVID, with COVID, and Recovering from COVID
- Blind Ministry Guests - Maria Barker, Sheila McNair, Linda Jones, Desiree
- *Greta Nelson
- Paul Wozniak, Recovery

- Julie Wozniak, Recovery
- Patricia Wellington, Chemo Treatments
- Miriam Beyer, Daughter-In-Law of *Charlotte Beyer
- Jan Bloom, At Home
- Pastor William Otto, Cancer Treatment and Surgery
- Bruce, Brother of *Ralph Klevenow
- Michael
- *Pam Dickson
- *Stephanie Ford
- Jimmy, Cancer Treatment
- Emily, Cancer Treatment
- Imma, Recovery
- Betty, Memory Issues
- Javed, Recurrence of Cancer
- *Vern Ebert, Lessening of Pain and Help Managing It
- *Bill Xenakis
- *Mindy Stephani, Recovery
- *Paul Schmidt
- Nicole, Danny, Riva, John, Graydon, Dale, Olevia, Larry, Marion, Avery, Pam, Yvette, Paul, Mindy, Bill, Imma, Wilmette, Juliet, Alice, Tom, Anne, Casey, Patricia, Paul, Stella, Noreen, Sylvia, Raphael, Shelby, Ken, Don, Harold, Jack, Lynne, Dave

For Comfort

- Friends and Family of Stuart Sanders, Especially Wife Sue, Stepfather of *Jan Boyer
- Friends and Family of Patricia Buckner, Mother of *Kenn Buckner
- Friends and Family of Dirk Branson, Uncle of *Jill Hammergren

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- Persecuted Christians
- Uganda Lutheran Church
- People of Ukraine, and All Those Who Serve to Support Them
- People of Maui, Morocco, Libya, Afghanistan, and All Affected by Natural Disasters
- People of Israel and the People of Gaza, Peace in the Middle East
- All Those Supporting Family Members with Caregiving Needs
- Annie Ruth Ford, Mother of *Dennis Ford
- *Eric and *Jill Hammergren
- *Jan and Paul Wozniak
- Jan and Rich Bloom, Care Decisions
- *Ginny and *Ed Koren
- *Eve Sommers, Continued Recovery
- *Meredith A.
- Those Enduring Marriage Struggles and Families in Turmoil
- Those Seeking Jobs and Career Changes
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- RLC Financial Health and Stewardship
- Dave and Vonnie

- Upcoming Via de Cristo Weekend, February 15-18
- Javed - Benign Test Results
- Start of Stephen Ministry Classes Next Week

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
- Pastor Jon Richter, Serving St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Norlina NC
- Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools Staff
- Area Pastors and Schools 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**

Updated 2/16/24