

# Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

July 28, 2024

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*Pastor's Corner for July 28-August 3, 2024*

## **When the Plan Changes (Mark 6:45-56)**

Today you might miss something if you blink while reading the Gospel text from Mark. Did you notice the disciples didn't end up where they were headed? If you read closely, you'll notice that Jesus gets the disciples on the boat on their way to Bethsaida (6:45), a familiar place for three of Jesus' disciples, Peter, Andrew, and Phillip (John 1:44) on the northeast side of the Sea of Galilee. But the place they finally end up after the storm isn't Bethsaida at all. It's a place called Gennesaret, on the western shore of the lake. Even though Jesus got everyone headed in the direction of Bethsaida, they are blown off course and end up in Gennesaret. And it

is here that they once again encounter the swarms of people desperate to have Jesus heal their sick.

Was it God's will that the disciples end up in Bethsaida – or Gennesaret? Mark never answers the question. What we know is that the disciples encountered a storm on their way to their destination... and the destination changed. Sure, there are stories in the Scriptures about folks who get sidetracked (or even go running 180 degrees away!) from the place God would have them go – think Jonah, for example. But this second storm account in Mark is evidence that sometimes the plan CAN change. At times like that what matters isn't so much the destination. It's that Jesus is present with everyone who cries out for help. It's that Jesus is with his disciples even at their journey's end, continuing to do what only He can do... rescue and heal all who are in need, wherever He encounters them.

Have you experienced something that could be identified as a course correction due to a storm in life? Jesus is there. You might be still straining at the oars. You might still be crying out for help. But Jesus is there. And if the plan does change? That change might seem like a big deal now, but it's not too big a deal for God. God is there with you, no matter whether you end up in Bethsaida or Gennesaret. No matter where the storms in life take us, in Christ we know God will be there at the end of the trip, rescuing and healing us for all eternity.

As we live out the peace amid the storm that is ours through Christ this week, let's leave the travel plans to our Lord. That might just give us the chance to focus more intentionally on the people we meet along the way!

In peace and joy,  
Pastor Jonathan

**Prayers of the Church**

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***Last chance to bring in items!***



**Christmas in July is almost over!** The Christmas trees are located in the Narthex of the Sanctuary and the Lobby of the Family Life Center from **July 1-31**.

Each tree has numerous ornament "tags". Take a tag and return it to the tree with the requested item next time you are at church. No need to wrap them!

This year, our gifts will benefit Green Chair Project ([thegreenchair.org](http://thegreenchair.org)), Families Together ([familiestogethernc.org](http://familiestogethernc.org)), and Safe Families for Children ([raleigh.safe-families.org](http://raleigh.safe-families.org)).

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• **YOUNG FAMILIES** •  
*gathering*



All families with kids (5th grade and younger) are invited to a Young Families Gathering for food and fun!

**Sunday, July 28 at 4:00 pm**  
at the home of Elliot and Holly Canupp  
1404 Leanne Ct., Raleigh

RSVP to Pastor Zach, Elliot and Holly Canupp,  
or the church office (919-851-7248, [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).

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## Men's Summer Fellowship Series

Wednesday, July 31

In lieu of the weekly studies and gatherings, we are doing periodic events this summer. Our next event is **Wednesday, July 31** at 6:30 pm. We will meet at VPizza, located at 1389 Kildaire Farm Road in Cary (near Trader Joe's).

Keep your connection strong. You do not have to eat or drink to join this event. Most say the food is good. Our goal is to select different locations throughout the summer. Suggestions are welcome.



Questions? Contact Tom Gebbia at [mens-ministry@rlcary.org](mailto:mens-ministry@rlcary.org) or the church office (919-851-7248, [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).

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## The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

Friday, August 9

We thank all our volunteers who help us to have wonderful Coffeehouses! We couldn't do it without our faithful volunteers. Please join 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: [bit.ly/3kqoHGN](http://bit.ly/3kqoHGN)

The next Coffeehouse is **Friday, August 9** from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center gym. We will have *A Touch of Brass* play for us!

Questions? Contact Brenda Peterson through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).



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## Safe Families for Children

Saturday, August 10

A training session for Safe Families for Children will be held on **Saturday, August 10** in the Fellowship Hall. For new volunteers, meet from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Current volunteers are also invited to attend from 10:30 am-12:00 pm and stay for lunch.

Todd Valentine from Catalyst for Harmony will be teaching on *Cross-Cultural Compassion: Bridging Cultures with Care*. This is one of the four training topics identified by volunteers as essential to thriving as we serve. All active volunteers are highly encouraged to attend one of these growth opportunities a year.

Please RSVP to Dan Shaltanis, RLC Contact for Safe Families, at [dshaltanis@att.net](mailto:dshaltanis@att.net).

## BECOME AN ADVOCATE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

RESURRECTION LUTHERAN  
CHURCH - CARY



AND  
JOIN US FOR  
AN IN PERSON  
TRAINING

Children *SAFE* Families *TOGETHER*

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### RLC Worship Servants and Training

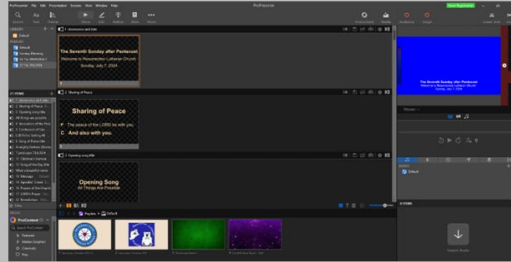
There is always a need for more volunteers to assist in all of our worship services. Please consider being a greeter or usher, a worship assistant or lay reader, a slide tech or live stream team member. Feel free to reach out directly to the following for more information:

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

## Interested in helping with worship slides?

Slide Tech Training Sessions - Sundays, July 21 and July 28  
Led by Chris Reed in Family Life Center



## Children and Family Ministry



SCUBA 2024 ~ Vacation Bible School was a splash-tastic adventure! With 160 kids served by 65 volunteers, we dove right into a friendship with God and oceans of fun. Filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences, like God sightings where we helped kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life.

[Check out our video!](#)

Questions? Contact Erika Hulse, Children and Family Ministry Director  
[erika.hulse@rlcary.org](mailto:erika.hulse@rlcary.org).

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**Youth Ministry**  
Middle School and High School



*Middle School  
Youth Ministry*

*Where fun and faith are one*


★ **ALL MS Youth and PARENTS!**  
**Wed, August 7 @ 7:00pm**  
**Sun, August 11 @ 12:30pm**

Information to be covered:


- Schedule for 2024-2025
- CONFIRMATION
- Fall Retreat
- Forms

Room  
240



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High School Youth  
Ministry

 **ALL HS Youth & Parents!**

Thurs, August 8 @ 7:00pm  
Sun, August 11 @ 5:00pm

\*Thursday we will meet in Fellowship Hall  
Sunday we will meet in Room 240

Information that will be covered:

- \*2025 Youth Gathering to NOLA
- \*Fall HS Retreat
- \*Schedule for 2024-2025
- \*Change in Schedule\*Participation Forms

If you have any desire to attend or be an adult leader on the  
2025 Youth Gathering, plan on attending one of the meetings.

**ENDURE**  
2025 LCMS YOUTH GATHERING

[See all the fun we have!](#)

Questions? Contact Ms. Jenny, Youth Director  
[jenny.piontek@rlcary.org](mailto:jenny.piontek@rlcary.org) or 919-851-7248, ext. 24.

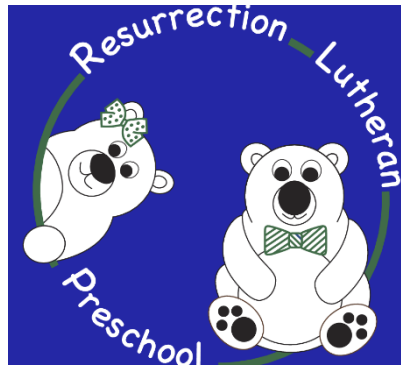
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## Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool (RLP) is looking for caring, dependable individuals who enjoy working with young children. Enthusiasm, patience, and a love of working with and teaching 2-year-old to young 5-year-old children is important, as well as being part of the team of the RLP Staff.

Although a degree in early education would be ideal, experience with children is considered. Our program is half day and works well with elementary/high school families' schedules.

If interested or you 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.



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## Resurrection Lutheran School



[rlscary.org](http://rlscary.org)

Junior Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

[rlscary.org](http://rlscary.org) | 919-851-7271 | [contact@rlscary.org](mailto:contact@rlscary.org)



For online services, connect through our YouTube channel at  
[youtube.com/ResurrectionLutheranChurchCaryNC](https://youtube.com/ResurrectionLutheranChurchCaryNC)  
or through our website at  
[rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship](http://rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship).

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## This Week's Visual Faith Sheet

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### Weekly Attendance

#### In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, July 20  
6:00 pm - 58

Sunday, July 21

8:00 am - 53

9:30 am - 98

11:00 am - 104

**Total In-Person Worship: 313**

### Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, July 21

8:00 am - 104

11:00 am - 45

**Total Online Views: 149 views**

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**Church Calendar**



100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518

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## Prayers of the Church – July 28, 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, \*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, Jimmy Ketner, Hope Mackelprang, Melissa Huntsman, Sue, Kathy, Pamm Haley, Bob, Michael Murphy, \*Greta Nelson, \*Marina de Moura Torres, Paul Wozniak, Ames, Doug Gill, Emily, \*Alison Whatley, Joe Huley

#### **For Expectant Moms**

Jessica, Taylor Stephani

#### **Those Prayed for on July 21, 2024**

#### **Thanking God Today**

- Our RLC Family
- Family Celebrations and Time Together, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Weddings, Births, Baptisms
- Our Many Blessings
- Safe Travels
- Caring Organizations Serving Our Local Communities
- Jacob's 26th Birthday

#### **For Healing**

- \*Kim Goss
- All Those Exposed to COVID, with COVID, and Recovering from COVID
- Blind Ministry Guests - Maria and Jeff Barker, Sheila McNair, Linda Jones, Melissa Tucker, Judy Dean, Ruby Franklin, Miriam Delgado, Betty Oglesby, Helen Rice-Lyles, Nancy Waggoner
- \*Greta Nelson
- \*Bill Xenakis
- Pastor William Otto, Cancer Treatment and Surgery
- Bruce, Brother of \*Ralph Klevenow

- \*Pam Dickson
- \*Stephanie Ford
- Jimmy, Cancer Treatment
- Emily, 8-year-old, Cancer Treatment
- Imma, At Home Recovering
- Betty, Memory Issues
- \*Vern Ebert
- \*Mindy Stephani, Recovery
- Doug Gill, Cancer Treatment
- \*Helen Campbell
- Joan Gresens, Mother of \*Phil Gresens
- Terrie Johnson, Mother of \*Jen Kirby
- \*Cheri Spitz
- \*Alison Whatley
- \*Dianna Spirovich, Recovery
- \*Sally Cotton
- Alice, Sister of \*Keith Leister
- \*Steve Robinson, Recovery
- Dave B.
- Lynn, Recovery from Surgery
- Juan's Dad, Brian, Karl, Kathy, Linda, Ricky, Gene, Lois, Ben, Megan, Cathy, Barry, Dale, Graydon, Nicole, Debbie, Tim, Justin, Red, Brian, Timmy, Kevin, Keith, Sam, Mark, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Anne, Skylar, Patty, Bill, Mindy, Paul, Cheryl, Sue, Dick, Peg, Jackie, Pat, Colette, Patricia, Karen, Lynne, Jonathan, Noreen, Kathleen, Sylvia, Shelby, Jimmy, Mark, Harold, Ken, Eric, Connie, Paige, Doug, Brenda, Virginia, Dave

### **For Comfort**

- Friends and Family of Connie Knuth, Wife of RLC's Former Pastor, Jim Knuth
- Friends and Family of \*Ed Fuge, Especially His Daughters
- Friends and Family of Fred O'Connor, Brother-In-Law of \*Garett Nigg
- Friends and Family of Barry Munns

### **For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance**

- Persecuted Christians
- People Around the World Affected by Natural Disasters
- People of Ukraine, and All Those Who Serve to Support Them
- People of Israel and the People of Gaza, Peace in the Middle East
- All Those Supporting Family Members with Caregiving Needs
- Safe Travels
- Annie Ruth Ford, Mother of \*Dennis Ford
- \*Eric and \*Jill Hammergren
- \*Jan and Paul Wozniak
- Jan and Rich Bloom, Care Decisions, Adjust to Transitions, and Discernment for Doctors
- \*Ginny and \*Ed Koren
- \*Meredith A.
- Those Enduring Marriage Struggles and Families in Turmoil

- Those Seeking Jobs and Career Changes
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- Sara, Upcoming Move, Peace and Comfort
- Our Country and Leaders
- For Those with Mental Health Issues
- Successful Medical Procedures
- Bill and Fran

**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, and Ellen
- 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.*