

Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 18, 2024



Pastor's Corner for August 18-24, 2024

God's Call (Ephesians 5:6-21)

I'll always remember the first time I heard someone talk about what God was telling them to do. It was the summer before senior year of high school, and I was talking with a recent graduate. I asked her about the local university I knew she was going to, but then she told me she wasn't going to college anymore. She explained that God was calling her in a different direction.

I didn't really know what to make of that. I was a pastor's kid (still am), went to church my whole life, Sunday school, youth group, and all the rest but I never really thought about what God wanted me to do. I knew the 10 Commandments, or at least the "important ones", and that He wanted me to tell people about Him, but those were things He wanted all His people to do. What was God calling me to? I had no idea.

Have you thought about that question lately? When was the last time you sat and listened for God's direction in your life? I'll be honest, I was a little skeptical when my friend was talking about her relationship with God, but now I think there is something to learn from her experience. Whether or not she was right in her decision, she was absolutely right in listening for God's call and His guidance in life. In a short passage, Paul twice tells us to follow God's direction...

"try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord" (v. 10)

"understand what the will of the Lord is" (v. 17)

Every baptized child of God who lives in His Kingdom-Church has a calling, a vocation, that God has brought them too. It didn't have to be dramatic or even a call you chose, but you are living in it right now. So what is "pleasing to the Lord" and "the will of the Lord" in your life today?

While it may be lived out in different ways, all of God's people are given the same guidance to "walk as children of light" (v. 8). Right after Paul tells us to understand the Lord's will, we are told where God finds joy and what His will is...


1. Be filled with the Holy Spirit, not the things of this world (v. 18)
2. Speak to each other with praise and thanksgiving (v. 19)
3. Speak to God with praise and thanksgiving, actually talk with Him (vv. 19-20)
4. Put yourself lower than everyone else because that's what Jesus did for you (v. 21)

No matter your vocation or calling, no matter what God has given you to do, the will of God and what He finds pleasing is the same for all of us. Don't burden yourself over what God wants you to do, instead find joy in knowing that He has

accomplished all things for and walk in that joy by loving and growing where we are.

Your joyful brother in Christ,
Pastor Zach Sarrault

Prayers of the Church



**Flowers on the altar
in honor of
Charles and Augusta Buckes
by Stephanie Ford**

Sign up for Altar Flowers in the Sanctuary and Family Life Center.
Click below or call the church office at 919-851-7248.
Flowers are from Cary Florist and cost \$45.

Sign Up: bit.ly/3Jrgu0h

Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, **August 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!



Baptized on Sunday, August 18 at 9:30 am

Ethan Preston Elmer

born January 14, 2022,
son of Preston M. Elmer and Sevil M. Elmer.

Godparents are Frank and Emma LaLumia.

May God's blessing be upon Ethan Preston
as he grows in his baptismal grace.



It is with great sadness and in Christian love and hope that we announce that our brother in Christ, **Bill Xenakis**, was called to rest with Jesus on August 12.

A Celebration of Life in Christ will be held on **Saturday, August 24** at 11:00 am. The family will be available to greet guests in the Narthex starting at 10:30 am. Reception in the Family Life Center immediately following the service in the main sanctuary. All are welcome.

Our prayers are with his wife, Fran, and all their family members at this time.



Saturday, August 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.

Discover Your Love Language

Wednesday, August 28

We invite you to an evening with Dr. Gary Chapman, Author of *The 5 Love Languages*, on **Wednesday, August 28** from 7:00-9:00 pm at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 2920 NC Highway 42 W, Clayton, NC. Register: bit.ly/3RLugj5

This is a free event, but Holy Cross is asking everyone who attends to bring one item of food, such as canned fruits, vegetables, meats, or stews, for their Backpack Buddies Ministry. Sponsored by the Thrivent Member Network–Southeast Region.

Plan to attend an unforgettable evening filled with insights, inspiration, and the opportunity to connect with renowned relationship expert, Gary Chapman, as he delves into the transformative power of the "5 Love Languages."

*DISCOVER YOUR
LOVE LANGUAGE*



WITH AUTHOR & GUEST SPEAKER
GARY CHAPMAN



WED. AUG 28TH
7:00 - 9:00 PM

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Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry for
the Visually Impaired meets

Friday, August 30

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).

Resurrection Lutheran Women are invited to register and attend the 69th Carolinas District Convention for Lutheran Women in Mission.

The Keynote Speaker is Deb Burma, Christian Author and Bible Study Leader. Her book, *Be Still and Know*, will be featured.

Mission Projects for the next two years will be chosen and supported by our Mite Box donations.

Families Together will be the recipient of Gifts from the Heart.

Registration forms can be found on the RLW Bookcase in the hallway near the restrooms. RLW will assist in the Registration Fee, so that many may attend.

Contact Carol Bostick through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

Help Wanted for Wednesday Night Dinners

We need 3-4 people to help cover and set the tables, make coffee, fill water pitchers, and help move the food to the buffet table.

Wednesdays, September 4-November 20, 4:15-5:15 pm

It is ok, if you can only help a couple times a month.

Sign Up: signupgenius.com/go/4090B48AAAB292-wednesday#/

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

Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

Friday, September 13

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! 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

The next Coffeehouse is **Friday, September 13** from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center gym.

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



Lutheran Women in Mission
69th Biennial Convention
September 20-21, 2024
Resurrection Lutheran Church

The event begins with Registration at 4:00 pm Friday. There is Communion Worship Service at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary (open to everyone) with a Reception following in the Fellowship Hall. The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Southeastern District President, Rev. Dr. William Harmon, will lead us in worship.

Saturday's activities will be held in the Family Life Center. Christian author, Deb Burma, will be the Keynote Speaker in the early part of the day. After lunch, we will hear about the Mission Projects to be funded by our Mite Boxes in the coming year.

Come and meet Lutheran Women from both North and South Carolinas!



Questions? [LWML Carolinas District - District Convention Central 2024](#).

There are several ways to help with this event. If you are interested in how you may serve, contact Carol Bostick through RCB or church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248).

News from the Human Care Committee

Tools4Schools

School Supply Drive, July 9-August 26

School will be starting soon at Resurrection Lutheran School and Wake County. If you would like to donate school supplies for Wake County Teachers, consider Tools4Schools. Visit their website for more information at wakeed.org/tools4schools.

This organization accepts new supplies and gently used office/school supplies to supplement classroom needs. All Wake County Staples Stores and the Office Depot stores in Apex and Cary have donation bins for you to deposit your supplies. In Holly Springs, you can drop off school supplies at The Masonic Lodge, 224 Raleigh Street. There is a container on the front porch for Tools4Schools drop-offs.

BACK *to* **SCHOOL** *with* **Tools4Schools**

2024 Neighbors Helping Neighbors Charity Golf Tournament
Western Wake Crisis Ministry
Monday, September 16 at MacGregor Downs Country Club

Ways to participate:

- Be a Sponsor
- Reserve a Team
- Support a Family for 30 days
- Simply Donate

Visit wwcm.org/golf for more information.



Seeking Worship Technology Assistant (Part-Time)

Resurrection Lutheran Church is pleased to announce that a part-time worship technology assistant position is now available, and we are asking all interested applicants from within the RLC community to apply.

Please direct all inquiries to the church office (office@rlcary.org) or to Pastor Jonathan, for details.



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

Survey

Please take a moment to fill out the 2024 Children and Family Ministry Survey.

Your input will help us plan for the upcoming year!

(link below)

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. Use link below.

Volunteers

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

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

Survey: bit.ly/cfsurvey2425

Sunday School Registration: bit.ly/sundayschool2425

Children's Ministry Volunteers Needed

Ways to serve:

behind the scenes helper
leader/teacher
co-leader/co-teacher
substitute teacher



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

Youth Ministry
Middle School and High School



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

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

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 2-year-old to young 5-year-old children is important, as well as being part of the team of the RLP Staff.

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 or 919-851-7270. Resumes may be sent to this email address.



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Resurrection Lutheran School

Let's roar into the new school year with JOY!



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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

Weekly Attendance

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, August 10
6:00 pm - 43

Sunday, August 11
8:00 am - 66

9:30 am - 162
11:00 am - 124

Total In-Person Worship: 395

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, August 11
8:00 am - 98
11:00 am - 40

Total Online Views: 138 views

Church Calendar



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