

Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

October 13, 2024



Pastor's Corner for October 13-19, 2024

Love of Jesus **(Mark 10:17-22)**

What does it look like to be a Christian? We, and the world, have a lot of answers to that question. Maybe it's appearance; clean and polite, a whole family with smiles all the time. Maybe it's actions; gives to the poor, always helping others, saying nice things. Maybe it's habits; at church all the time, reading the Bible and praying constantly. Some thoughts may be positive, some negative, but everyone has an idea of what a Christian looks like.

The rich man in Mark's Gospel was wrestling with this idea when he asked Jesus, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" They have a short discussion about the commandments, when the man proudly says, "all these I have kept from my youth."

But that wasn't the answer Jesus was looking for. Are keeping the commandments good? Yes, absolutely! As Christians, it's part of our calling to live out the will of, but is that what makes a Christian? Is that what gives us eternal life? No! The man was too focused on his looking up at God, his ability to do things and then looking toward God as if to say, "have you seen what I did?? I'm doing everything you asked, do I have eternal life now??" He has it all backwards.

And Jesus, looking at him, loved him (Mark 10:21a)

The appearance of a Christian is when Jesus looks at us, shining His light of grace, mercy, and forgiveness. When we meet the eyes of Jesus, we recognize that all our actions and stuff can't get us into Heaven, they don't make us a Christian. Instead, we see the love of Jesus giving us a new identity, making us different, and gifting us eternal life!

Then comes the action. Because Jesus looks upon us, shining His loving light on us, we are able to reflect that light to those in need. And opportunities to shine that light abound. Last week, we focused on opportunities to shine light on Western NC through the efforts of our Southeastern District. We will continue to collect items all through the month of October. This week, we are adding another opportunity to shine the light of Jesus with the help of Shaelyn Kerns. She is an active member of RLC, and a graduate of both RLP and RLS. Currently, Shaelyn is a student at Appalachian State and works in the healthcare field of Watauga County. She has asked if we could collect items (see list below and at the Information Tables in the Narthex and Family Life Center) to help support her area of ministry, and we are joyful to join her in God's Mission in Western NC.

As Jesus looks at us, giving us His identity as Christians, may we then reflect that light by helping those He places before us!

Your reflecting brother in Christ,
Pastor Zach Sarrault

P.S. A couple weeks ago, I announced that I had received a call to serve as pastor at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Altamont, Illinois. After prayerful conversation as a

family and your prayers as our Resurrection family, Kelsey, Sophia, and I have heard God's call to stay at Resurrection and decline the call to Immanuel. Please continue to keep God's people at Immanuel in your prayers as their search continues for a new pastor. Thank you for your prayers. We love you!

Supply List from Shaelyn Kerns:

High Demand: Adult Diapers (All Sizes), Peanut Butter, Protein Bars, Flashlights, Batteries, Baby Formula (Organic/Sensitive)

Other Needs: Air Mattresses, Bags of Dog and Cat Food, Baby Diapers/Wipes, Feminine Products, Cleaning Products, Rubber Gloves, Rubbermaid Tubs, Laundry Detergent, Granola Bars, Lanterns, Baby Food (Squeeze Pouches Preferred), Trash Bags, Manual Can Openers, Plastic Utensils, Paper Goods, Gas, Gravel, Sports Drinks, Tarps, Instant Coffee and Tea, Water, Distilled Water, Non-Perishable Food, Blankets (New)

You can also pick up sheets at the Information Centers in the Narthex and Family Life Center lobby.

There are a multitude of ways to serve:

- If God is calling you to go and serve in the areas of need, here is a link to sign up and serve, [LCMS Disaster Response & Training \(lcms-lert.org\)](https://lcms-lert.org).
- If you are not able to go and serve physically, we will be collecting Hygiene and Flood Clean-Up kits throughout the month of October. We will be looking for folks willing to drive these kits to Conover periodically throughout the month (sponsored by our Human Care Committee). You can [download the Supply List for both kits](#), pick up sheets at the information centers in the Narthex and Family Life Center lobby, or [order directly from Amazon](#) and drop ship to St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Conover, NC.

- If you would like to help financially, you can follow this link, [Emergency Alert: You can help neighbors affected by Hurricane Helene | Lutheran World Relief \(lwr.org\)](#).

Prayers of the Church



MEN'S BREAKFAST & PASTOR'S FORUM



Saturday,
October 12
8:00 am
Fellowship Hall

Come gather for fellowship, food, and message.
All men welcome.

A Pastor's Forum is an opportunity to ask the panel of Pastors questions in a comfortable, casual environment.

Contact Tom Gebbia or mens-ministry@rlcary.org.



Baptized on Saturday, October 12 at 9:00 am

Maia Elizabeth Dodd

born October 12, 2023,
daughter of Robert Wayne Dodd, Jr. and Katherine Donnelly Dodd.

Godparents are Matthew Donnelly and Ashley Riley.

May God's blessing be upon Maia Elizabeth as she grows in her baptismal grace.



Baptized on Sunday, October 13 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.

The Holy Land Christians and Crafts

This weekend, the Holy Land Christians will have a nice display of handmade olivewood religious carvings from Bethlehem available for purchase. These carvings include olivewood nativity sets, crosses, Christmas ornaments, candle holders, angels, and other religious crafts that would make nice wedding, baptism, Easter, and especially Christmas gifts.

Kay Ghanem, an indigenous Christian from Bethlehem, will speak in all services about the enduring hardships for Christians. The Christian population of the Holy Land went down from 30% in the last century to almost 1% today.



Proceeds support Christian families in Bethlehem. Visit their website to see the carvings, holylandcsc.com. And [check out this video](#) of a Christian craftsman from Bethlehem making a carving.

**The flowers on the Sanctuary Altar
this weekend are
in memory of Sarah Peterson.**

**Her 30th Birthday would have been October 12.
Her Baptismal Birthday is October 14.**

**Flowers given by her parents
Grant and Brenda Peterson with love.**

**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 for flowers!](#)

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities

SUNDAY

Book of Revelation

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

September 8-October 20

Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Pastor Zach Sarrault

MONDAY

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

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

The Rock Speaks - September 9-November 18

Jamee Thieme, Sharon Hahne, Dawn Leister

Last Men's Weekly Study and Fellowship

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

A Study of Heroes of the Faith - September 9-October 14

Mark Otten, Tom Gebbia

New Men's Weekly Study and Fellowship

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

Tell Someone Series - October 21-December 2

(No Class November 25)

Ron Bostick, Tom Gebbia

TUESDAY

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

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

Starting September 3, Ongoing

Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Pastor Zach Sarrault

WEDNESDAY

Intentional Parenting

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm - Room 240, Family Life Center

September 4-November 20

Pastor Zach Sarrault, Erika Hulse

Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm - Fellowship Hall

September 4-October 23

Tim Kearby

Men With Kids - The Book of Job

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

September 4-October 23

Tom Gebbia

Grace-ful Women

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm - Room 251, Family Life Center

September 4-October 23

Shane Jarvis

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

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

Adult Game Night

Sunday, October 13 - Starting at 5:00 pm

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 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. Snacks and food are welcome, too!



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.

Veterans Group Lunch

**Monday, October 14
at 12:00 pm**

IHOP
1301 Kildaire Farm Road, Cary

RSVP through RCB

Supper & Scripture Wednesday Evening Activities Schedule

5:00-5:30 pm Jubilee Bells, Sanctuary	6:30-7:30 pm Adult Christian Ed <i>Mere Christianity</i> , Fellowship Hall <i>Men with Kids</i> , RM 247 <i>Grace-ful Women</i> , RM 251
5:15-6:00 pm Dinner, Gym	6:30-7:30 pm Heavenly Handbells, Sanctuary
5:30-6:00 pm Rainbow Choir, Sanctuary Sonshine Singers, Choir Room	7:00-8:00 pm Confirmation, RM 240
6:00-7:00 pm Kidz Live, RM 151 Middle School Youth, Warehouse <i>Intentional Parenting</i> , RM 240	7:30-8:45 pm Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

Wednesday Evening Dinner

Join us for Wednesday evening dinners on **Wednesdays, 5:15-6:00 pm** in the Family Life Center Gym. All are welcome!

Suggested donation of \$7 per person or \$25 maximum per family. Cash, check, or card payable at door. Please RSVP through rlcary.org or to the church office by Monday Noon.

Menu for October:

October 16

Pizza, Salad, Fruit, Brownies

October 23

Jersey Mike's Sandwiches, Chips, Fruit, Cookies

October 30

Potluck Soup and Chili, Bread, Salad, Fruit, Pie

We all have busy schedules and being able to have a family sit down dinner is

always a blessing. *Please join us!*

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

Christmas Music Festival

The Advent and Christmas portions of Handel's *Messiah* will be presented by the Sanctuary Choir, accompanied by a chamber orchestra, at the **8:00 and 9:30 am Worship Services on Sunday, December 15.**

All youth and adults are encouraged to participate in this exciting preparation for Christmas. Rehearsals for *The Messiah* are scheduled for Wednesdays, beginning **October 16 from 7:30-8:00 pm.**

A choral "dress" rehearsal is scheduled for **Saturday, December 7 at 1:00 pm.**

If you are interested in participating, please contact Bob Unger at the church office (919-851-7248, robert.unger@rlcary.org) and/or be present at one of the initial rehearsals. It is okay if you are not able to attend all the rehearsals, we would rather you attend as your schedule allows, than to exclude yourself from participating in this wonderful opportunity.

Lutheran Witness Subscription

It is time to renew (or start) your Lutheran Witness subscription. This church magazine has timely, informative articles about the faith life of fellow Missouri Synod Lutherans.

The cost is \$22 annually. Make checks payable to RLC and either use the

designated offering envelope or note "Lutheran Witness" in memo. **Deadline is October 20.** New members to RLC receive a one-year free subscription for the church.

Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry for
the Visually Impaired meets

Friday, October 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).

Resurrection Lutheran Church

FALL festival

Ways to help:

- Decorate your trunk
- Donate candy
- Donate trinkets/prizes
- Volunteer to help

Sign up here:



**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27
3:00-4:30 PM
100 LOCHMERE DRIVE WEST
CARY**

**Please bring an item to donate for
Hurricane Helene relief.**



Questions? Contact Erika at erika.hulse@rlcary.org

Resurrection Women's Ministries Advent Tea

Save the date for the Women's Advent Tea on **Saturday, December 7** from 11:00 am-1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall!

Spend time in fellowship and reflection on the Advent season. Check your church mailbox for registration details.

Campus Maintenance Initiative

Campus Maintenance Initiative (CMI) Update:

Thank you for your generous initial donations to the CMI fund. We raised over \$13,000 to date and are beginning the gutter project.

Our next target project is the replacement of a number of decaying windows (~20k\$). As you begin your year-end tax planning, please consider supporting the upkeep of our facility.

- Facilities Management Team (FMT)

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:

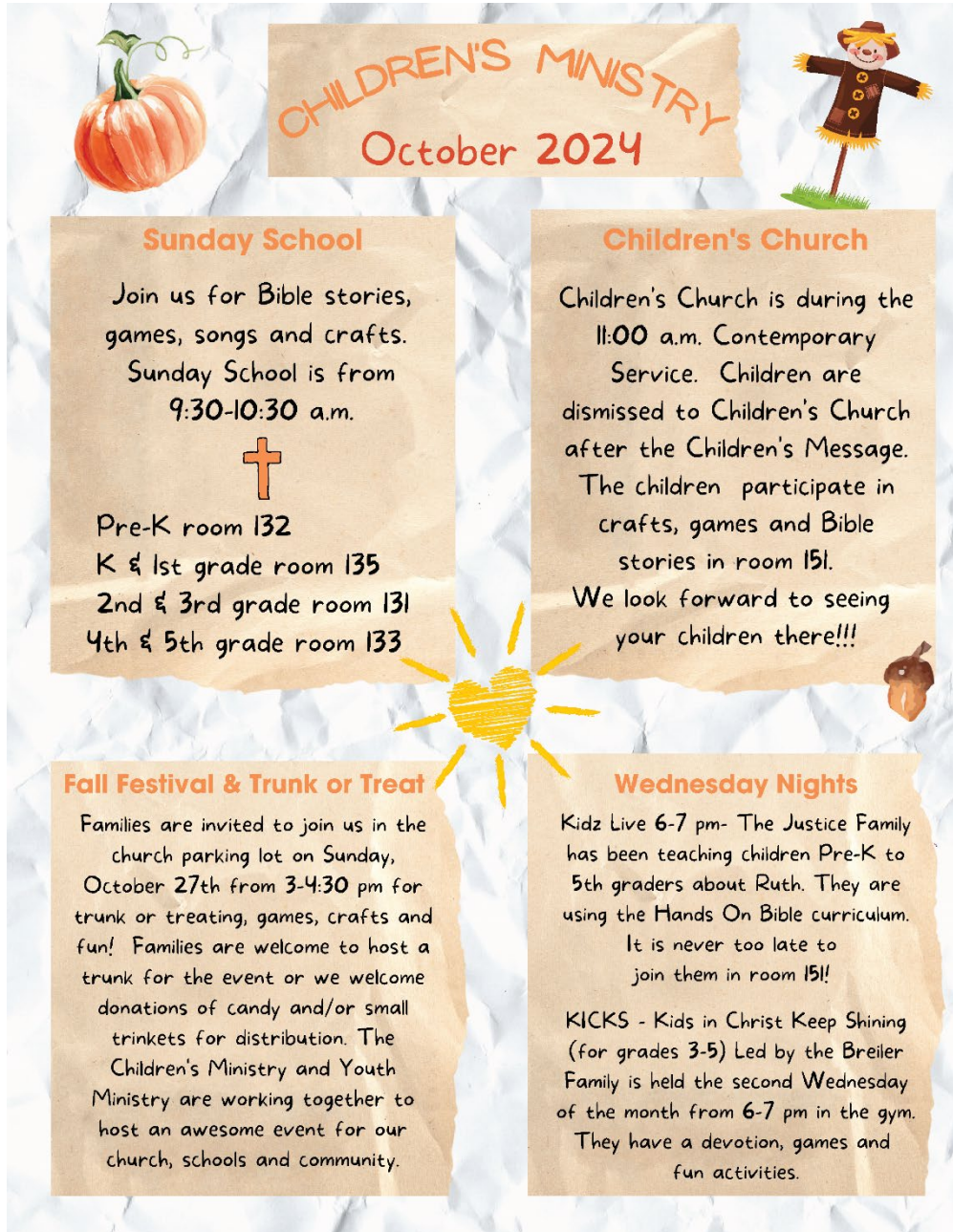
Saturday, 6:00 pm - Lori Jannings

Sunday, 9:30 am - Dara Linn

Sunday, 8:00 am - Brenda Peterson

Sunday, 11:00 am - Suzi Heffner

You may also contact the church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248) for assistance.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY
October 2024

Sunday School

Join us for Bible stories, games, songs and crafts. Sunday School is from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

✝

Pre-K room 132
K & 1st grade room 135
2nd & 3rd grade room 131
4th & 5th grade room 133

Children's Church

Children's Church is during the 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service. Children are dismissed to Children's Church after the Children's Message. The children participate in crafts, games and Bible stories in room 151. We look forward to seeing your children there!!!

Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat

Families are invited to join us in the church parking lot on Sunday, October 27th from 3-4:30 pm for trunk or treating, games, crafts and fun! Families are welcome to host a trunk for the event or we welcome donations of candy and/or small trinkets for distribution. The Children's Ministry and Youth Ministry are working together to host an awesome event for our church, schools and community.

Wednesday Nights

Kidz Live 6-7 pm- The Justice Family has been teaching children Pre-K to 5th graders about Ruth. They are using the Hands On Bible curriculum. It is never too late to join them in room 151!

KICKS - Kids in Christ Keep Shining (for grades 3-5) Led by the Breiler Family is held the second Wednesday of the month from 6-7 pm in the gym. They have a devotion, games and fun activities.

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

Youth Ministry

Middle School and High School



The graphic features a blue background with large, faint stars. At the top, a yellow rounded rectangle contains the text "RLC YOUTH WEEKLY SCHEDULE" in black, bold, uppercase letters. Below this is a table with three rows and two columns. The first row lists "WEDNESDAY" and "MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 6-7PM". The second row lists "SUNDAY" and "SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9:30AM". The third row lists "HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 5-6:30PM". At the bottom, the text "ALL 6TH-12TH GRADES ARE WELCOME!" is displayed in black, uppercase letters. The graphic is decorated with red and purple stars.

WEDNESDAY	MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 6-7PM
SUNDAY	SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9:30AM
	HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP 5-6:30PM

ALL 6TH-12TH GRADES ARE WELCOME!

Middle School Fall Retreat!



Youth Gathering Fundraiser!

Mark Your Calendars



EAT TO SUPPORT
Resurrection Lutheran Church
Youth Gathering Team
RSVP: www.groupraise.com/events/288356

11:00 AM - 8:00 PM
10.20.24

City
BARBEQUE

CITY BARBEQUE
1305 Kildaire Farm Rd, Cary

Powered by
GroupRaise

Meet and greet the youth and adults from 12:30 - 1:30pm

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

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

Our program offers opportunities and experiences that will enrich, expand, and develop a child's ever-increasing accumulation of knowledge in a loving Christian atmosphere. Classes available for 2-year - 5-year olds. *Call for a tour today!*



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

Resurrection Lutheran School



Discover
Resurrection Lutheran School
Kindergarten

Join us for an
Interactive Experience
for
Prospective Students &
Parents

October 22, 2024
9:30 - 10:45 am

Sign up
here to
attend



Attend and
get early
access to
2025-2026
Registration!



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

Latest Lion's Tale



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

**Please note, there will be no live stream available for the 11:00 am service
this week due to unforeseen circumstances. Thank you!**

This Week's Visual Faith Sheet

Weekly Attendance

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, October 5

6:00 pm - 51

Sunday, October 6

8:00 am - 82

9:30 am - 127

11:00 am - 87

Total In-Person Worship: 347

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, October 6

8:00 am - 117

11:00 am - 55

Total Online Views: 172 views

Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

August 2024

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$224,750.00

Actual Giving to Date: \$213,237.69

Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$(11,512.31)

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$241,666.67

Actual Expenses to Date: \$242,409.08

Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$(742.41)

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

Church Calendar



100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518

rlcary.org

919-851-7248 | office@rlcary.org

Prayers of the Church – October 13, 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, 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

Taylor Stephani

Those Prayed for on October 6, 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
- RLC Mission Fair
- RLC Women's Lunch
- For Amanda Powell Returning to Resurrection Lutheran School After Surgery Recovery

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
- Pastor William Otto, Cancer Treatment and Surgery

- Bruce, Brother of *Ralph Klevenow
- *Pam Dickson
- *Stephanie Ford
- Imma, At Home Recovering
- Betty, Memory Issues
- *Vern Ebert
- *Mindy Stephani, Recovery at Home
- Doug Gill, Cancer Treatment
- *Helen Campbell
- Joan Gresens, Mother of *Phil Gresens
- Terrie Johnson, Mother of *Jen Kirby
- *Alison Whatley
- *Sally Cotton
- *Mark Otten, Recovery After Surgery
- Christie, Cancer Treatment
- Steve Cottle
- Martha, Sister of *Charlotte Raines
- Mark, Son of *Charlotte Raines
- Ed, Bill, Jack, Joe, Corey, Dave, Pam

For Comfort

- Friends and Family of Daniel Blanke, Cousin of *Pastor Jonathan Blanke
- Friends and Family of Gerald Kreuger, Father of *Sandy Carpenter

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- Persecuted Christians
- People Around the World Affected by Natural Disasters, Especially Those Affected by Hurricane Helene in Western NC
- Families of Those Missing in Western NC, Especially Joseph and Inja Moore, Their Daughter Raechel, and Other Extended Family Missing
- Camp Linn Haven
- Mountainside Lutheran Church, Linville NC
- Safety for People Helping with Recovery Efforts
- People of Ukraine, and All Those Who Serve to Support Them
- People of Israel, People of Gaza, and People of Lebanon, 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

- Our Country and Leaders
- *Mark and *Megan Mantey, Moving Mercies
- Pastor Zach and Family for Discernment and God's Will Regarding Their 2 Calls
- Our Mountain Neighbors

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 Ongoing Mission and Outreach Efforts

- Newly Deployed Missionaries to the Dominican Republic, Stan and Dana Stigdon
- RLC's The Coffeehouse
- RLC's Blind Ministry
- Sleep in Heavenly Peace
- Safe Families for Children
- Families Together/PLM
- Camp Agape Ministries
- Read-a-Book at Reedy Creek Elementary School

For Our Missionaries

- 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.*