

# Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost

## October 20, 2024

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*Pastor's Corner for October 20-26, 2024*

### **Kept Occupied by Joy (Ecclesiastes 5:10-20)**

The book of Ecclesiastes (also known by its Hebrew name, “Qoheleth,” translated “Preacher”) is one of those books of the Bible that may not seem at first to mesh with the Good Book’s more upbeat portions. Be it reverently said, much that the Preacher has to say, when taken out of context, wouldn’t look good on a DaySpring or Hallmark greeting card! The Preacher tells us that the dead may be “more fortunate than the living” (4:3). He assures us that there is not only “a time to love” but also “a time to hate” (3:8). And how’s this for heart-warming and encouraging: “All the toil of a man is for his mouth, yet his appetite is not satisfied” (6:7)?

So, it does not surprise us to see that the Preacher’s wisdom on the topic of money – our appointed OT reading this weekend – begins on a similarly pessimistic note. Not being satisfied with what one has, he says, and loving money, is “vanity.”

Keeping one's wealth to oneself is "a grievous evil" (5:13)! But even this curmudgeonly Preacher has something positive on the topic of money to share. "All to whom God gives wealth and possessions and whom He enables to enjoy them, and to accept their lot and find enjoyment in their toil – this is the gift of God. For they will scarcely brood over the days of their lives because God keeps them occupied with the joy of their hearts." God-given joy... especially joy from ordinary activity seen in the light of vocations gifted by God... offers even this "tell-it-like-it-is" proclaimer of God's Word a reason to embrace hope.

It reminds me of a TED talk I saw online once upon a time that had a lot to say about joy. Michael Norton, who teaches at the Harvard Business school, opened his talk with the provocative statement: "Ever hear the line 'money can't buy you happiness'? That's wrong. It's how you spend your money that makes you happy." In the talk he proceeds to explain how spending money on others – not keeping it for oneself – is what makes people happy. It's giving stuff away that satisfies a deep human longing. Norton mentions a news story about people who won the lottery but now say the greed of others ruined their lives. He highlights a study at the University of British Columbia demonstrating how people who spent money on others were not only happier but performed better in their work and in their leisure activities. It all just goes to show you that the wisdom of the secular world often aligns with wisdom found in the Scriptures. Though we may at times be tempted to grab glory for ourselves, this is not where ultimate fulfillment is found.

No surprise then that true joy clinging to God's gift of everlasting life in Christ Jesus is what matters. So, why not extend last week's Stewardship Festival focus a bit? We not only take time to prayerfully consecrate our material possessions to God's mission on a response card at church. We see where God keeps us occupied: by the joy of giving life away! In Christ-Jesus our lack of trust and scarcity mindset is forgiven. God grant us all hearts that give cheerfully... and joyfully... today and always.

### **New Bulletin Format Being Finalized for Services in the Main Sanctuary**

You may have noted that worship bulletins in the traditional services have gotten longer and contain a slightly different style of formatting. This is due to a new process (for us) of building the worship services using a cloud-based system of file

sharing and collaboration. We are still in the process of producing the shortened outline form of the bulletins accompanying the slides with which you may be familiar. We ask for your patience as the switchover process continues. Many thanks in advance!

In peace and joy,  
Pastor Jonathan

## Prayers of the Church

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### Staff Anniversaries for 2024

Join us as we celebrate the staff anniversaries occurring this year at all services this weekend!

At Resurrection, we celebrate individual anniversaries on a five-year interval basis.

This year, we celebrate **Christopher Reed** (5 years), **Garett Douglas** (15 years), and **Bob Unger** (45 years) for their years of service!

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### Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, **October 19 and 20**. 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!*

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## Hurricane Helene Relief

**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://www.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, North Carolina.
- 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 \(lwr.org\)](#).

### Latest Southeastern District (SED) Update for Current Relief Needs:

- Click [here](#) for new relief needs published by the SED this week.

### 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.

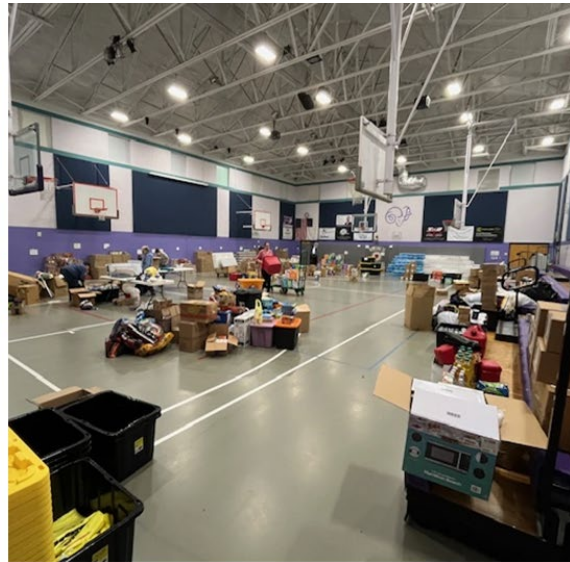
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RLC Members Tim Hiteshew and Leah Robison, plus two volunteers from Jordan Lutheran Church, spent part of last week supporting the work of LCMS LERT by serving meals in Asheville. Working alongside volunteers from New Jersey, Alabama, Missouri, and Louisiana, they provided about 4,000 warm and hearty meals. The families coming through were so appreciative and thankful. Many still did not have running water in their homes. One woman told Tim it was the first warm meal her family has had in two weeks.

Along with the meals, LERT is also running multiple muck-out and clean-up of homes in locations around Asheville. There are opportunities available through the end of October and beyond to assist in person. St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Conover has been an awesome host for the LERT volunteers, providing sleeping space, meals, and friendly encouragement. In addition, the LCMS and other's efforts

to collect relief kits, food, water, and even coats have almost overrun the ability to distribute items out to the community.

Anyone interested in serving should check out the information at [LCMS-lert.org](http://LCMS-lert.org).



## Weekly Bible Study Opportunities

### SUNDAY

#### **Last Book of Revelation**

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

September 8-October 20

Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Pastor Zach Sarrault

#### **New Different Ages, One Christ**

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

October 27-December 22

Ian Glenn

### 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

#### **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

***\*First meeting will start at 6:30 pm with a potluck.***

Ron Bostick, Tom Gebbia

### TUESDAY

#### **Tuesday Morning Bible Study**

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

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

### **Last Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis**

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

September 4-October 23

Tim Kearby

### **New Building a Christian Reconciliation Team**

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

October 30-December 11

Pastor Alan Shaw

### **Last Men with Kids - The Book of Job**

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

September 4-October 23

Tom Gebbia

### **New Men with Kids - The Book of Jonah**

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

October 30-December 11

Tom Gebbia

### **Last Grace-ful Women**

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

September 4-October 23

Shane Jarvis

### **New Grace-ful Women -**

**Looking Together at Biblically Based Spiritual Disciplines**



Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm - Room 251, Family Life Center  
October 30-December 11  
Pastor Jonathan and Juli Blanke

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

Any questions can be directed to the church office at [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org) or 919-851-7248.

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### 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.

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## Supper & Scripture Wednesday Evening Activities Schedule

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

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## 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](http://rlcary.org) or to the church office by Monday Noon.

### Menu for October:

#### **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](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).

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## 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 23 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](mailto: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.

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## 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](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).

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Resurrection Lutheran Church

FALL  
festival

**Join us for:**

Bounce House Fun  
Trunk or Treating (bring a bag!)  
Games  
Fall Snack Station

**Host a trunk:**



**-RAIN OR SHINE-  
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](mailto:erika.hulse@rlcary.org)**

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## The Last Coffeehouse of 2024 for Special Needs Adults

Friday, November 8

We thank all of 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](https://bit.ly/3kqoHGN)

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

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



## COMBINED BREAKFAST FOR MEN AND WOMEN



**Saturday,  
November 9  
8:00 am  
Fellowship Hall**

Come gather for fellowship, food,  
music, and message.

All welcome!

Contact Tom Gebbia or [mens-ministry@rlcary.org](mailto:mens-ministry@rlcary.org).

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### 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.

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## 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)

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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.

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## 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](mailto:erika.hulse@rlcary.org).

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**Youth Ministry**  
Middle School and High School



## Youth Gathering Fundraiser at City BBQ on Sunday!



**EAT TO SUPPORT**  
**Resurrection Lutheran Church**  
**Youth Gathering Team**

RSVP: [www.groupraise.com/events/288356](http://www.groupraise.com/events/288356)

11:00 AM - 8:00 PM  
**10.20.24**

CITY BARBEQUE  
1305 Kildaire Farm Rd, Cary

**City**  
**BARBEQUE**

Powered by  
**GroupRaise**

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

## Middle School Fall Retreat!



Camp Agapé adventures:  
team building, campfire church, games and lots of  
laughter! Thank you God for the adult leaders and  
amazing youth!

RLC MS Fall Retreat

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

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](http://rlpcary.org) | 919-851-7270 | [office@rlpcary.org](mailto:office@rlpcary.org)

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## Resurrection Lutheran School

Congratulations to the Girls Volleyball Team!  
They beat Youngsville Academy (2-0) securing a big Championship win in the  
Triangle Middle School Conference. TMSC Champs! Go Lions!



[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)

## Latest Lion's Tale

# WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Worship in Sanctuary	Praise Worship in Family Life Center
Saturday, 6:00 pm	Sunday, *11:00 am
Sunday, *8:00 & 9:30 am	

*\*Services Live Streamed to YouTube*

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, October 12

6:00 pm - 38

Sunday, October 13

8:00 am - 75

9:30 am - 147

11:00 am - 90

**Total In-Person Worship: 350**

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

Sunday, October 13

8:00 am - 124

11:00 am - No Live Stream

**Total Online Views: 124 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](mailto:finance@rlcary.org).

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Church Calendar



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## Prayers of the Church – October 20, 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, \*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 13, 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
- The Piecemakers and Many Quilts for Lutheran World Relief and Sleep in Heavenly Peace
- Donations for Hurricane Helene Recovery
- RLC Members Serving with Hurricane Helene Recovery
- Suzanne Moore's Family in Western NC, Found Safe

#### **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, Continued Recovery
- Doug Gill, Cancer Treatment
- \*Helen Campbell
- Joan Gresens, Mother of \*Phil Gresens
- Terrie Johnson, Mother of \*Jen Kirby
- \*Alison Whatley
- \*Sally Cotton
- \*Yvette Crawley
- Christie, Cancer Treatment
- Steve Cottle
- Martha, Sister of \*Charlotte Raines
- Mark, Son of \*Charlotte Raines
- Gene, Lois, Linda, Karl, Ricky, Lynne, Roy, Paul, Doug, Imma, Brian, Anne, Ryan, Eric, Connie, Mara, Doug, Mark, Grandson with Anxiety, Shim

#### **For Comfort**

- Friends and Family of Daniel Blanke, Cousin of \*Pastor Jonathan Blanke
- Friends and Family of Gerald Krueger, Father of \*Sandy Carpenter
- Friends and Family of Peter Kuo, Father of \*Nelson Kuo

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

- Persecuted Christians
- People Around the World Affected by Natural Disasters, Especially People of Western NC, SC, GA, TN, and FL
- Families of Those Missing and Lost in Western NC
- Mountainside Lutheran Church and Camp Linn Haven
- Safety and Thanksgiving 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.
- \*Fran Xenakis
- 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
- For All Those Homeless
- Victims of Hurricanes Helene and Milton

**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**

- 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 and Our RLC Volunteers

**For Our Missionaries**

- \*Mark and \*Megan Mantey, Kenya - As They Transition Home From the Mission Field
- 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.*