

Twenty-Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

November 17, 2024



Pastor's Corner for November 17-23, 2024

Confidence in God's Presence (Hebrews 10:11-25)

There's a Japanese proverb I find interesting. Translated word for word, it comes out as "A god you keep at arms' length can't hurt you." More loosely or colloquially translated it appears in dictionaries as "leave well enough alone," or "let sleeping dogs lie." I don't want to read more into the proverb than it allows. It was never intended to make a theological statement! But its words pick up on a lamentable picture of God/the gods based on fear and nothing else. It seems to imply that not only can God/the gods be manipulated to stay at a distance; it suggests their involvement in human affairs is to bring misfortune, and little else.

The Holy Bible has a thing or two to say about the fear of the Lord. According to our status as creatures of the Divine Creator, an attitude of reverent fear toward the Maker of all things is not inappropriate. Considering our status as sinners, we can't help but adopt a posture of fear in the presence of a holy God! But the writer

of the book of Hebrews wants us to hear loud and clear that dealings with the Triune God, revealed in the person of Jesus Christ, mean there is no reason... there is no need... to keep God at arm's length! In fact, just the opposite is the case. Because of the forgiveness of sins that Jesus has won for us, we are encouraged to "draw near" to God with "our hearts sprinkle clean from an evil conscience" (10:23). We have confidence to stand even in the presence of our holy God! The curtain in the temple that separated the Holy of Holies from God's people has been torn from top to bottom, now that Jesus' one-and-only sacrifice for sins has been made. We have confidence and hope in God's presence!

All of which is important to bear in mind as we remember again during this fall season that we are getting closer to the end of the church year... are looking with hopeful anticipation toward the Day of our Lord's appearing. Let us encourage one another as people with hopeful and confident hearts all the more "as we see the Day drawing near" (10:25)!

In hope and joy,
Pastor Jonathan

Please note for this week only, we will be live streaming the 9:30 am sanctuary worship only. We will resume our regularly scheduled programming next week. Thanks!

Prayers of the Church



Baptized on Sunday, November 17 at 9:30 am

Ryan James Pocock

born May 8, 2024,
son of Thomas Ryan Pocock and Hannah Staley Peterson.

Godparents are Nathan and Anna Everhart.

May God's blessing be upon Ryan James as he grows in his baptismal grace!



**Flowers on the Sanctuary Altar
in Honor of Ryan James' Baptism
by Grandparents, Grant and Brenda Peterson.**

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!](#)

Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, **November 16 and 17**. 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!



First Communion Family Info Meeting

Sunday, November 17 at 12:30-1 pm
Family Life Center Room 151

Contact Tyler Timm at tylertimm@rlscary.org
for more information.

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities

SUNDAY

Different Ages, One Christ

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

October 27-December 22

Ian Glenn

MONDAY

Last 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

(No Class November 25)

New Monday Night Women's Bible Study

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

Advent Studies - December 2-9

Jamee Thieme, Sharon Hahne, Dawn Leister

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

Ongoing

Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Pastor Zach Sarrault

WEDNESDAY

Last Intentional Parenting

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

September 4-November 20

Pastor Zach Sarrault, Erika Hulse

Building a Christian Reconciliation Team

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

October 30-December 18

Pastor Alan Shaw

Men with Kids - The Book of Jonah

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

October 30-December 18

Tom Gebbia

Grace-ful Women

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

Ragged - October 30-December 18

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 or 919-851-7248.

Supper & Scripture Wednesday Evening Activities Schedule

5:00-5:30 pm Jubilee Bells, Sanctuary	6:30-7:30 pm Adult Christian Ed <i>Christian Reconciliation</i> , FH <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 Sunshine 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

Last

Wednesday Evening Dinner

for the year! See you again in January.

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.

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).

Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry
for the Visually Impaired meets

Friday, November 22

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).



We gather for worship on the eve of this national Day of Thanksgiving with joyful hearts, and we raise our hymns and prayers in gratitude to God for an abundance of blessings.

God, in His Grace, has given us all that we need for body and soul. We respond with thanksgiving, recognizing that all we have is from His Grace.

Join us in the Sanctuary for Worship and Holy Communion!

Service will be live streamed to [YouTube @ResurrectionLutheranCary](#).

There will be no other Wednesday night activities held.

The Christmas Store Toys for Children

We are excited again to partner with The Christmas Store Toys For Children and our trees are up!

The Christmas Store exists to provide the gift of new toys at Christmas to children in low-income families by engaging volunteers in meaningful community service. Following the instructions of Jesus, The Christmas Store is designed to help families in the towns and cities of southern Wake County who are in need during the holidays.

Please take a tag (or 2!), purchase your item(s), and return them unwrapped with their tags by Sunday, December 1. Gifts can be placed under the trees in the Narthex and Family Life Center.

You can volunteer to assist on the days of the store (December 13, 14, and 16). To volunteer, sign up through their website.

For more information, visit The Christmas Store - christmasstorenc.com.



**RESURRECTION
LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

PARENTS NIGHT OUT



High School Youth and Adults will provide:

- Dinner
- Games
- A movie
- Crafts



**DEC 6
2024**

5:30-9:00 PM

\$20/CHILD

3 YEAR OLD POTTY TRAINED
TO 5TH GRADE



Resurrection
Lutheran Church
Family Life Center
Gym



Contact Jenny Piontek
jenny.piontek@rlcary.org

Sign up here!



Resurrection Women's Ministries

**Preparing for Jesus: An Advent Tea
Saturday, December 7**

11:00 am-1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Join your fellow sisters-in-Christ for a time of fellowship, encouragement and faith-building, as we prepare our hearts and minds for this upcoming Advent season (for the women of RLC and their guests)!

Tickets are \$10. **Registration due Sunday, November 17.** Please use the form located in your church mailbox to register.



Mark Your Calendars!

Voter's Meeting
Sunday, December 8

Following the 11:00 am Worship Service
In the Sanctuary

The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

A big thank you and all the Glory to God for another year of The Coffeehouse at Resurrection!

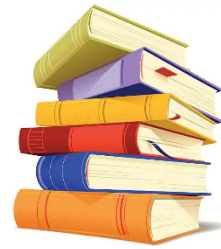
We do not have a Coffeehouse in December, so our next one will be **Friday, January 10** in the Family Life Center Gym. We will be starting our 23rd year! Come join us to volunteer!



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

RLC Library November Wish List

11/3/2024



Lutheranism 101

by Scot A. Kinnaman 3rd Edition

Law and Gospel: How to Read & Apply the Bible

by C.F.W. Walther

God at Work: Your Christian Vocation in All of Life

by Gene Veith

The Cost of Discipleship

by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Grace Upon Grace: Spirituality for Today

by John Kleinig

Heaven on Earth: The Gifts of Christ in the Divine Service

by Arthur A. Just

Reformation Graphic Novel Set

Family Wellness: Raising Resilient, Christ-Purposed Children

by John D. Eckrich

Our Faith from A to Z

by Ruth E. Meyer

From Abraham to Paul: A Biblical Chronology

by Andrew E. Steinmann

Questions? Contact Joyce Bocksnick through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@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.

Youth Ministry

Middle School and High School

RLC Youth
November Schedule

Sunday School
Nov. 10 & 17 ONLY

Youth Gathering
Nov 17
4:00-5:00

Service Project
Dec 1
12:30-2:30pm
Decorate the church
for Christmas

Middle School
Youth Group
Nov. 6, 13 & 20
6:00-7:00pm

HighSchool
Youth Group
Nov. 10, 17, 24
5:00-6:30pm



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

Home court advantage! Both our basketball teams secured wins in their first home games of the season. Go Lions!



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.

This Week's Visual Faith Sheet

Weekly Attendance

In-Person Worship Attendance

Saturday, November 9

6:00 pm - 68

Sunday, November 10

8:00 am - 60

9:30 am - cancelled

11:00 am - 303

Total In-Person Worship: 431

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel

Sunday, November 3

8:00 am - 152

11:00 am - no livestream (worship in park)

Total Online Views: 152 views

Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

October 2024

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$449,500.00

Actual Giving to Date: \$441,818.37

Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$(7,681.63)

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$483,333.33

Actual Expenses to Date: \$473,060.12

Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$10,273.21

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

Church Calendar



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Prayers of the Church – November 17, 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, *Hannah Yllanes

Those Prayed for on November 10, 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's The Coffeehouse, Last of the Year, November 8
- Special Music for Reformation Day and All Saints' Day, Our Music Ministry Team and All Our Musicians
- Sky Dawn's Baptism

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
- Betty, Memory Issues
- *Vern Ebert
- *Mindy Stephani, Continued Recovery
- Doug Gill, Ongoing Cancer Treatment
- *Helen Campbell
- Joan Gresens, Mother of *Phil Gresens
- Terrie Johnson, Mother of *Jen Kirby
- *Alison Whatley
- *Sally Cotton
- *Yvette Crawley, Recovery
- Christie, Cancer Treatment
- Martha, Sister of *Charlotte Raines
- Debbie, Colon Surgery
- Yvette, Pam, Lynne's Siter, Noreen, Kathleen, Sylvia, Shelby, Elio, Yvonne, Doug, Paul, Mike, Shim, Reggie

For Comfort

- Friends and Family of Diane Bean, especially Husband Pastor Matt Bean, Personal Friend and Colleague of *Pastor Jonathan Blanke

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 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
- Immanuel Lutheran Church, Altamont IL and Their Call Process
- Peaceful Election, Our Country and Leaders

- Mark, Son of *Charlotte Raines, and Their Family
- Lynne, Caring for Sister

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
- Our New Ministry of Presence

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

- 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.*