



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH

FEBRUARY 2025

From the Pastor

Thriving in a World of Change

(Jeremiah 17:5-8)

How well do you deal with change? Over the years I’ve learned that in times of change, routine can be helpful. I’ve noticed that an unusually cold weather day usually feels better if it begins with my “happy juice” ... dark, Café Bustelo Espresso coffee. I typically don’t watch a lot of news on TV, so on my way to the office or on the way home I usually enjoy listening to news podcasts. For me it’s most often Morning Edition or The Daily. I’d like to believe that I don’t have a sweet tooth, but lunch is always better when it’s followed by—well, you know, something sweet! Every day looks a little different when you’re a pastor. However, the little traditions in life help maintain the illusion that whatever comes our way we are managing change and doing so successfully.

The problem, of course, is that changes we cannot always foresee are ever present just beyond the proverbial horizon. A brief look at a Pew



Research Center report on change in 2025 points out that, despite the advantages brought by AI and other technologies, the challenge of fewer flesh-and-blood workers, tele-everything, digital propaganda/ misinformation, and social isolation are likely only going to increase.

And these are only the changes that the so-called “experts” envision. It can all be a little overwhelming and intimidating.

Jeremiah has a Word from God about navigating this world of change. According to chapter 17:5-8 there are two kinds of people: (1) the

God is LOVE.
1 JOHN 4:16



Dates of Interest:

- Men’s Breakfast.....Feb 8
- Newcomers Brunch.....Feb 8
- Soup-er Bowl.....Feb 9
- This Is the Church.....Feb 12
- Coffeehouse.....Feb 14
- Taize.....Feb 15
- Herod Family.....Feb 16
- Moms Together.....Feb 22
- Blind Ministry.....Feb 28

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Christian Discipleship in an Instant Society

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

January 5-February 9

Eugene Peterson's book, *A Long Obedience in the Same Direction*, uses the fifteen Songs of Ascent (Psalms 120-134) to provide the text for developing "discipleship in an instant society."

The Herod Family

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

February 16-March 23

Attend to better understand the New Testament by learning about the confusing collection of Herods who grew from a simple crime family into the rulers of Judaea and beyond. We will explore their inclusion in Scripture and their connections with the rich and famous like Julius Caesar, Marc Antony, Caesar Augustus, Cleopatra, and more.

Along the way, we will tour "Herod's Temple" to see where Jesus confronted the oligarchs of his time, where he taught, where a widow gave her mite, and more.

Bring your Bible.

Led by Paul Brandt.

person who trusts in his own strength and barely manages to scrape by and (2) the person who trusts in the Lord and therefore thrives, even in a time of drought, bearing fruit by God's strength. Both must endure the hostile and ever-changing atmosphere of the desert. Yet one taps into Living Water while the other is left to dwell in the parched places of the wilderness.

When we put down roots into living water and ask for God's help to produce good and lasting fruit together, there's no telling what God can do. God is at work among us...and we have much to be thankful for! This month I would ask you to keep RLC Praise Worship Director Christopher Reed in your prayers. Chris is embarking on a major change in ministry focus: he will be installed as SMP vicar at RLC February 8 while pursuing ordination as an SMP pastor, specializing in Music Ministry. Pray that God would continue to prepare his heart and ours for the journey we will soon begin down that road together. I also look forward to joining our Church Council, our pastoral team, all our church staff, and RLC Lay Deacon Tom Gebbia as we seek God's guiding for our church's newest strategic focus for 2025-2026. Rev. Dr. Travis Guse will meet with our team on February 22 and help us craft our strategy together. Please keep this time of vision-building and planning in your prayers too.

It's true: change is inevitable...growth is optional. May we seek godly wisdom to not only confront change, but to grow and thrive in it...by the grace of God!

Love in Christ,
Pastor Jonathan

Library Tidings

This month, we highlight a few titles on display in the RLC Library (Room 151, Family Life Center). All are welcome to browse, borrow, and read. Also, for those looking to donate books, the magazine rack near the window holds copies of the book donation request Wish List. For more information, contact Joyce Bocksnick or Ian Glenn through RCB or the church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248).

[102 Questions Children Ask About the Bible](#) with answers for busy parents by James C. Without, Rick Osborne, David R. Veerman, Daryl J. Lucas. Find thoughtful answers to questions like, "Why did Joseph's brothers sell him?" and "How did Paul send letters to churches if they didn't have mail boxes?"

[The What Would Jesus Eat Cook Book](#) by Don Colbert, M.D. This book offers a modern approach to an ancient way of eating. Enjoy recipes for Rosemary Chicken Stew, Creamy Pumpkin Soup, Ezekiel's Bread, and Grape Honey.



January 2025

The first meeting of the 2025 RLC Council was conducted on 14 January 2025, and began with a brief meeting with the Resurrection Lutheran School (RLS) Principal Robin Hester. Robin noted the replacement playground pavilion structure will be built by one of the RLS parents who owns a construction company and is now awaiting permit approval by the Town of Cary. This pavilion provides shelter for teachers and students during lunch breaks, etc. and will replace the current temporary structure which is very old and deteriorating. The school is using endowment funds to help pay for this replacement, but they are still looking for about \$13,000. Robin also asked us all to continue praying for two teachers and a student who are currently battling cancer.

During the month of February, the Council plans to meet with the Resurrection Lutheran Church (RLC) Staff to discuss the Strategic Plans Pastor Blanke has outlined for us in past Voter's Assemblies. Our time together will be led by Rev. Dr. Travis Guse, SE District Executive Director of Wellness and Coaching.

Pastor Blanke informed the Council that he and Chris Reed will be attending Chris' SMP (Specialized Ministry Pastor) Orientation February 3-6, 2025 at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. Installation of Chris Reed as Vicar for Resurrection Lutheran Church will take place during all four of the services of 8-9 February, 2025.

Because of all the developing needs of the Resurrection Campus, as reflected with the current Campus Maintenance Initiative, the Council is considering the next Capital Campaign. A complete assessment of the needs for the next 5-10 years will first be completed, followed by the more formal plans for a Capital Campaign much like The Next 40 Campaign. Tom Bolling will be compiling the needs during the next few weeks.

The Council is currently conducting its annual review of the Constitution, Bylaws, and Governance Documents. No immediate changes to the Constitution and Bylaws are expected, but the Council does need to complete a revision of the Governance Document it started in past Council Meetings.

Your Council members are listed below and are willing to take questions and suggestions.

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Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Join us for the Best All You Can Eat Pancake Supper, Pancake Races, and Fellowship on **Tuesday, March 4** from 5:30-7:00 pm in the Family Life Center Gym!

Free Will Offering with proceeds to the youth attending the Youth Gathering this summer.

We need many hands to make this a success! [Please sign up to help.](#)

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

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities



Monday

Monday Night Women's Bible Study

Meant for Good by Donna Snow

Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm

Room 151, Family Life Center, and Online via Zoom

Ongoing until May 19

Jamee Thieme, Sharon Hahne, Dawn Leister

Men's Weekly Study and Fellowship

Nurturing Your Faith: Patient Urgency by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

Mondays, 7:00-8:15 pm

Room 240, Family Life Center

January 20-February 17

Tom Gebbia

Tuesday

Tuesday Morning Bible Study and Fellowship

Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 am

Fellowship Hall

Ongoing until May 20

Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Pastor Zach Sarrault, and Pastor Alan Shaw

Wednesday

Intentional Parenting

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm

Room 240, Family Life Center

Ongoing until April 30

Pastor Zach Sarrault, Erika Hulse

Men with Kids

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm

Room 247, Family Life Center

Ongoing until April 30

Tom Gebbia

Grace-ful Women

Scandalous Stories: Commentary on Parables

by Daniel Emery Price and Erick Sorensen

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm

Room 251, Family Life Center

January 8-February 19

Shane Jarvis

This Is the Church

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm

Room 140, Family Life Center

February 12-March 19

Pastor Jonathan Blanke

First Communion

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm

Room 244, Family Life Center

January 8-February 19

Tyler Timm

Confirmation

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm

Room 240, Family Life Center

Ongoing until April 30

Pastor Zach Sarrault

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

Stephen Ministry

Compassion and Courage

Our Stephen Ministry theme for February is National Cancer Awareness Month: a time dedicated to raising awareness about cancer, supporting those affected by it, and promoting the importance of early detection and treatment. Cancer has had a profound impact on many of our church members, friends, and their families.



Our Stephen Ministers are here to offer compassionate support to cancer patients, their loved ones, and those grieving the loss of a loved one, who passed away from cancer.

Stephen Ministers are trained lay caregivers providing one-on-one, confidential care to those in need. They offer a listening ear, a caring presence, and spiritual support to help individuals navigate the emotional and spiritual challenges that come with a cancer diagnosis. Whether you are a patient, a family member, or someone who has lost a loved one to cancer, our Stephen Ministers are here to walk alongside you during this difficult time.

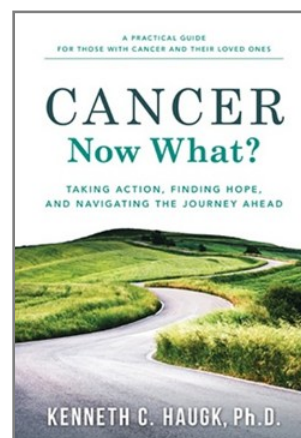
We encourage everyone to do early and regular screening for various types of cancer, especially if you have a family history of the disease. And if that screening, or doctor's visit, brings unexpected news, your Stephen Ministers can provide you and/or family members with emotional support and encouragement throughout the treatment decisions that must be made. Stephen Ministers can help people cope with the fear, anxiety, and uncertainty with a Christ-centered approach to keep focus on the life that Christ offers. By offering a safe space to express feelings and concerns, Stephen Ministers help patients find strength and hope.

For those grieving the loss of a loved one, Stephen Ministers can offer a comforting presence and a listening ear. We offer conversation that provides a non-judgmental space for individuals to share their feelings, memories, and struggles as they work through their grief.

Did you know that our church library has copies of "Cancer. Now What?" published by the founder of Stephen Ministry. It is written in 12-parts, so you don't need to read it from front to back to get the information you may be seeking. Check it out. And while you're at it, look at the other Stephen Ministry resources available in the library for you to borrow and return.

Cancer can be a long and difficult journey for patients and family alike. Sharing a confidential conversation with a Stephen Minister makes a difference. It is our "ministry of presence" to let people know they are not alone.

[To learn more about Stephen Ministry at RLC, click here.](#) If you or someone you know who could use a listening partner, consider emailing the Stephen Leader team at stephenministry@rlcary.org and ask about how to make a referral to a Stephen Minister.



Gifts & Memorials

For the Love Fund

In Memory of Eva Sommers
Kathy and Curtis Fisher

For Gifts and Memorials

In Memory of June Buckler
Bill and Jan Boyer

To Campus Maintenance Initiative

In Memory of June Buckler
Kathy Rihani

In Memory of Mark Raines
Kathy Rihani

In Memory of Darrell Moore
Keith and Dawn Leister
Devin and Heather Hilldale

To Campus Maintenance Initiative

From "The June Group"
(Jane Knuppel,
Emma Sutton, Ann Blimmel,
Emily Davidson-Begosh,
Susan Swallow)



Men's Ministry

Upcoming Events

Men's Weekly Study and Fellowship

Meets Mondays, 7:00-8:15 pm in Room 240, Family Life Center. The weekly series opens with fellowship, a brief faith-based video relevant to men's issues, followed by small table discussion, and more fellowship. All designed to strengthen the men's community and their relationship with Jesus. Men are invited to join any or all weeks as schedule permits. Friends and neighbors welcome.

Men and women, you are invited for a Combined Potluck on Monday, February 24 at 6:30 pm. Mark your calendars!

Bagel Bunch

Gathers Tuesdays, 7:30 am at IHOP Cary (1301 Kildaire Farm Road). All men welcome for coffee and fellowship.

Men with Kids

Meets Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 pm in Room 247, Family Life Center. Join us for fellowship, study, and small group discussion. All men welcome. Special invite to the Confirmation dads as we follow the Confirmation class schedule. Attend when you can.

Men's Breakfast

Held second Saturday of the month in the Fellowship Hall. We meet at 8:00 am for breakfast, fellowship, song, and message. Great way to start your Saturday! All men, teenager and up, are invited.

Next Breakfast: Saturday, February 8

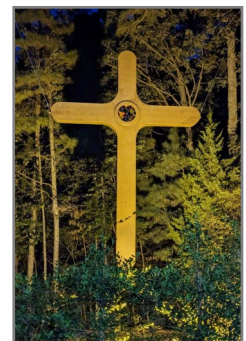
Men's Retreat and Service Weekend ~ March 7-9

All men are invited to this annual event from Friday, March 7 at 6:00 pm-Sunday morning, March 9!

The weekend will be filled with service, study, food, and fun! Held at Camp Agape (1369 Tyler Dewar Lane, Fuquay Varina NC).

2025 Theme is Equipped To Be Men of God. Study Leader will be Pastor Zach Sarrault.

Mark your calendars for this fun and impactful event!



Discover Resurrection

New to RLC?

We invite you to learn more about Resurrection, our mission, vision, and congregational life by joining us for our next new member events.

Welcome to Resurrection Brunch for Newcomers

Saturday, February 8 from 10:00-11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

This brunch is an opportunity for you to get to know us better and we can get to know you a little better, too! We will eat good food, have great conversation, and tour our facilities. Kids are invited.

This Is the Church

Wednesdays, February 12-March 19 from 6:30-7:30 pm in Room 140, Family Life Center

We will learn and review the basic teachings of the Christian faith. Great opportunity for those who are joining us from another denomination or are new to the church altogether. Led by Pastor Jonathan Blanke.

Discover Resurrection

Saturday, March 22 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

It is at this event that we invite you to officially join our Resurrection family as we take a closer look at how we do life together at RLC. Child-care can be provided.

To RSVP to any of these events or to ask questions, contact Pastor Zach at zach.sarrault@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248.

Happy Anniversary!

February 1

Fred and Daphne Harbinson
50 years

February 5

Mike and Cristina Fuller
20 years

February 6

John and Virginia Heilman
60 years

February 17

Ken and Mary Elder
57 years

February 27

Larry Cameron and
Marina de Moura Torres
20 years

RLC Worship Servants

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 or the church office 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

We encourage you to find areas of interest that best suit your natural gifts, and join us as we reach out with the love of Christ, by grace, through faith, for service.

Cross Cultural Mission Engagement Team

Mission Minute

The Cross Cultural Mission Engagement Team (CCMET) was chartered in February of 2024 and is celebrating one year of progress!

CCMET is comprised of members Paul Brandt, Susan Brandt, David Birner, Ron Bostick, Julie Blanke, Erika Hulse, and Pastor Jonathan Blanke (Ex Officio).

CCMET Mission:

To engage the Resurrection Lutheran Church community as participants in cross-cultural missions.

CCMET Vision:

RLC is known for its commitment to the Great Commission for international and local cross-cultural missions so that, across the RLC community, engagement in cross-cultural missions is a part of RLC DNA.

How can you become involved?

There are many ways: pray for missionaries, share your time and talents, provide financial support, volunteer for a short-term mission trip, or write letters of encouragement.

Cross-Cultural Mission Engagement Team will soon consider applications from congregation members for grants that can be applied to short-term mission trip costs. Please look for more information in the next newsletter on how to apply.

Overseas Mission Effort Involvement Opportunities

Recently, I've been contacted by three of you about ways that our congregation can get behind and support your own or your organization's efforts on behalf of the Gospel of Christ internationally.



Moya Shaw will be travelling to the Dominican Republic this spring. She writes, "On this trip, I'll have the unique opportunity to provide hands-on dental care to underserved communities while sharing the Gospel and the hope of Christ with those we serve. My faith is at the heart of everything I do, and this mission trip beautifully combines my passion for dentistry with my desire to serve God and others." If you would like to discover more about how you can support Moya's work, [you can reach out to her through email.](#)



Life for Uganda (an organization with roots in our own congregation) is partnering with the Lutheran Church Uganda. Current goal is to build a school in the remote Amudat region of Uganda on the same property as the Amudat Lutheran Church. First phase (preschool, grades 1 and 2) started, but additional funding is needed to complete Phase 1 and to begin Phase 2. And the Amudat parishioners have committed to feed and house the contractors who must be imported into the area. If you would like to find out more about how you can help bring the Gospel of Jesus to the children and families of this area, speak to Life for Uganda advocate at RLC, Ron Bostick, or email info@lifeforuganda.org.



Ilea Kuo will be travelling with fellow students from the church she is attending at Louisiana State University this summer to a country in Southeast Asia. Their goal is to “form connections and friendships with the students there and share the good news of the Gospel with them. Most of these students have never even interacted with a Christian, let alone heard the gospel.” Her involvement allows others living in the place where she will serve to make connections to follow up and build on the relationships she and others on her team initiate. To hear more and see how you can support Ilea, I [invite you to reach out to her through email](#).

What joy to be at a church where the mission of God to the nations is an active part of what our members do! Please consider reaching out to Moya, Ron, or Ilea to find out more. And as any of them will tell you... even if you can't give at this time, your prayers on behalf of the work they and their organizations are doing are always welcome.

Pastor Jonathan Blanke

Missionary Update

J.P. Cima and Family

Greetings from Phnom Penh, friends at Resurrection in Cary!

With this note, we want to THANK YOU for your sacrifice, for your partnership in the Gospel, and for your trust in us as we seek to announce and demonstrate the Gospel to the people of Southeast Asia. Every prayer and financial gift are such an encouragement to us, a reminder that we are right where God wants us. We are so thankful to have served in this part of the world for 17 years, but we could never do it without those who send us and pray for us. You are a part of our team!

One of the highlights of the last few months was the [national youth camp](#) for over 100 participants, put on by the Cambodia Lutheran Church (CLC), our partners here. For 3 nights and 4 days, we [studied Scripture](#), [played](#) lots of [games](#), [sang songs](#), and [worshipped](#). Each youth was [gifted a Bible](#). For many of them, it was their first personal Bible. The Bibles were provided by a team from Brookfield Lutheran Church, who also [helped lead games](#) and activities. What joy to see Lutheran youth from all over the country join this meaningful event!

It was a [busy Christmas season](#), joining Christmas celebrations all over the country. The highlight was seeing [23 kids baptized](#) at one location! We also keep ourselves busy with normal routines, including [school for the kids](#) as well as ministry for Aimee and I: weekly [youth group](#), [teaching the Catechism](#) in various locations throughout the country (J.P. just [wrapped up one cohort](#), [started another weekly cohort](#), and will start another cohort this coming weekend!) consulting with [human care work](#), [Sunday school](#) at our local church, and [pastoral care](#) as the need arises.

Thank you for being a part of all that God is doing in this part of the world! Of course, you can see here all the links to our photoblog, which is updated regularly. You can also access our whole archive of newsletters (17+ years' worth!) [here](#). If you are not receiving our monthly e-newsletter, please [sign up here](#). And, of course, you can always send us an email. We'd love to hear from you!

Today we give thanks for you and the ways you have blessed us. God bless and keep you!

In Christ,
JP, Aimee, Celeste, Bella, and Isaac Cima

cimafam.com

Human Care Committee

February News

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 5th this year. Our congregation will be collecting **Lenten Offerings** for Inter-Faith Food Shuttle and Manna Foodbank. All money donated during the Wednesday night services will be split equally between these two organizations.

Inter-Faith Food Shuttle states their mission is, "To feed our neighbors, teach self-sufficiency, and grow healthy foods by cultivating innovative approaches to end hunger." They provide shelf stable food through their pantry, have onsite gardens and administer the Backpack Buddies program which sends food home with food insecure school children on the weekends.

foodshuttle.org/feed

Manna Foodbank is located in Asheville, NC. Founded in 1982, Manna Foodbank is a private, not-for-profit service organization working to end food insecurity in the 16 counties of Western NC, including the Qualla Boundary. This group was hit hard by Hurricane Helene losing their warehouse and all the food stored there. Our donation will go a long way to help them rebuild and feed our friends impacted by the storm.

mannafoodbank.org

Kids Against Hunger is scheduled for March 29th. Save that date! More details to come.

Operation Inasmuch (OIAM) will be held on April 26th. A day of service from our congregation to many organizations who need help. There is always a need for new projects, especially ones that children can be involved in. If you have an idea for a project and are willing to lead that project, please contact Jan Boyer through RCB or the church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248).

Outreach Service to the Community

Families Together

Update on Fire at Emergency Shelter Apartments:

Families Together is deeply grateful for the outpouring of tangible donations to support families affected by the recent fire. The cause of the fire has been determined to be unknown and unintentional. We remain so grateful that the families escaped, and we are focused on helping them rebuild their lives while more families with children enroll in the Families Together program. Unfortunately, despite our best efforts, we have not been able to locate one resident's emotional support cat.

The good news is that your incredible support has helped move one of the families who escaped the fire into permanent housing after signing a lease! The other three families are expected to move into permanent housing in the next few weeks as well.

At this time, we are pausing our wish list requests to focus on distributing these generous contributions to the families, enrolling more families in additional extended stay hotels, and planning the next steps for our emergency shelter. You can still make a meaningful impact by giving a financial gift online at [this link here](#). Please make sure to include a note for "Fire Relief".

Your generosity helps provide emergency assistance to families directly impacted by the fire, supports post-fire recovery and rehabilitation efforts, makes resources available to provide shelter and support services for other families in need as Families Together navigates the loss of their Polly Street shelter. To stay updated on our fire relief efforts, [visit our blog post here](#) about the fire. It is being updated as we work through this challenge.

Youth Gathering Fundraiser

Come Support Our Youth on Sunday, February 9!

Have fun in fellowship, test your New Orleans and Superbowl trivia, hear from the youth attending the Youth Gathering trip what they are looking forward to, and enjoy some yummy food! We will be serving some traditional New Orleans food as well.

No need to bring any food. Soups, breads and baked goods will be available. Youth will be accepting a Free Will Donation to help with expenses for their summer trip. (Participant cost is \$1,860.)

We will also have \$1 raffle tickets for prizes, including a Ninja Grill, (2) Tailgate Buckets filled with goodies, and a Kid Bucket.

**NEW ORLEANS
SOUP-ER BOWL
FUNDRAISER**

**Raffles,
Trivia,
Food,
Fun**

**SUNDAY
9th
February
12:30pm**

**FREE WILL OFFERING
COME SUPPORT OUR YOUTH
GATHERING GROUP
Soups, Bread and baked goods**

RLC FAMILY LIFE CENTER

**JENNY PIONTEK
jenny.piontek@rlcary.org**

MORE INFORMATION

NO NEED TO BRING ANYTHING!

Youth Ministry

LCMS Youth Gathering 2025

Why do we fundraise?

Just in case you haven't heard, RLC will be sending a group of youth and adults to the 2025 LCMS Youth Gathering this July in New Orleans. We have been excitedly raising money, participating in pre-trip team building and bible studies, as well as lining up all the details.

But what is the cost of a trip like this and why do we fundraise?

RLC decided long ago that investing in the youth and youth programming is super important (I fully agree)!

RLC follows a 1/3 format for this trip:

1/3 is budgeted and set aside by RLC (thank you, church)

1/3 is paid for by the families themselves (thank you, families)

1/3 is earned through fundraising (thank you, community)

The Youth Gathering costs approximately \$1,860 per participant (adult leader and youth costs are the same).

Below is a breakdown of how we come up with that number:

LCMS Registration Fees: \$400 per participant

Airfare: \$450 per participant

Lodging: \$180 per room per night

Room Average: \$400 per youth (\$540/2 people, \$360/3 people, \$270/4 people)

Matching T-Shirts: \$50 per participant

Activities: \$100 per youth

Food: \$15/breakfast, \$20/lunch, \$25/dinner
(1 day=\$60, 6 days=\$360 per participant)

Transportation: \$75 per youth

The experience = PRICELESS

*Thank you for supporting our
2025 LCMS Youth Gathering Team!*



Questions? Contact Jenny Piontek,
Youth Ministry Director

jenny.pointek@rlcary.org or
919-851-7248, ext. 24



Children's Ministry News February

Nursery:

The Nursery is staffed by screened volunteers Sunday mornings during 9:30 Worship for your Birth - 3 year old child(ren). It is available for family use whenever needed.

Sunday School:

Pre-K to 5th graders are welcome Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 for Bible, games, crafts and fun!

Kidz Live:

Wednesday Nights from 6:00-7:00 in the Family Life Center (Room 151 and the gym) for Pre-K to 5th graders.

Important Dates:

No Sunday School - February 16

Mother Daughter Interactive Tea - March 1 at 11:30 am

Easter Eggstravaganza - April 13 at 3 pm



INTERACTIVE TEA PARTY

March 1

11:30



**Sign up
here:**



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

Outreach Service to the Community

First Responders Service Project

THANK YOU to all who donated supplies and put together boxes for our First Responder Family Service Project!

We assembled thoughtful gift boxes filled with snacks, handwritten cards, and heartfelt prayers. These boxes were given to 26 police and fire stations, reaching first responders from Morrisville to Fuquay.

Your support encouraged those who serve and protect our communities and served as a beautiful example of Christ's love in action. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus and teaching our children the value of service and gratitude.



Resurrection Lutheran
Preschool

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Enrollment for 2025-26

at Resurrection Lutheran

PRESCHOOL

+ Classes for children

2-years-old thru 5-years-old +

Our program provides a balance of academic and social opportunities by 'learning through play' in a loving Christian atmosphere.

Class openings are currently available for the **2024-25 preschool year.**

Mark your calendar for Summer Camp!

3-year-olds
to Rising Kindergarteners
(children currently in our
2's classes can come!)

All ages must be toilet-trained.

June 2-5, 9:15 am-12:30 pm

June 9-12, 9:15 am-12:30 pm

June 16-19, 9:15 am-12:30 pm

RLC VBS ~ June 23-27

Neighbors, friends, and family
welcome!

Registration opening soon!

NATIONAL LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

This week has been a joyful celebration of faith, fun, and fellowship! From 100th Day celebrations to wacky outfits, team spirit, pajama day, and our Spelling Bee, our students and staff truly embodied this year's theme, *ENDURE* from Hebrews 12:1-3.

Through daily devotions, chapel, laughter, and learning, we were reminded to fix our eyes on Jesus and persevere in all we do. Our students have shown incredible enthusiasm, perseverance, and school spirit, and we are so proud of them!

NC OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

We are excited to inform you that the application window for the 2025-2026 Opportunity Scholarship opens on February 6 and closes on March 6. This scholarship assists North Carolina families in covering tuition and required fees at registered private schools. For detailed information and resources, visit the Opportunity Scholarship page at k12.ncseaa.edu.

FROM THE PSO

Get your Saturday special treat on **February 8** and support the RLS PSO! Mention RLS PSO when you check out (in-person orders only) at Duck Donuts Cary (100 Wrenn Drive, #101, Cary). Duck Donuts will donate 25% of proceeds from all RLS PSO-related purchases from open to close (6:00 am-7:00 pm).

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- February 6** TMSC Boys Conference Semi-Final at RLS, 5:30 pm
(winner advances to Friday's game)
- February 7** TMSC Boys Conference Championship at RLS, 4:00 pm
- February 8** Spirit Day at Duck Donuts, Cary
- February 13** Camp Flintlock for 3rd-5th Grade
- February 14** Early Release, 11:30 am
- February 16** No School, President's Day



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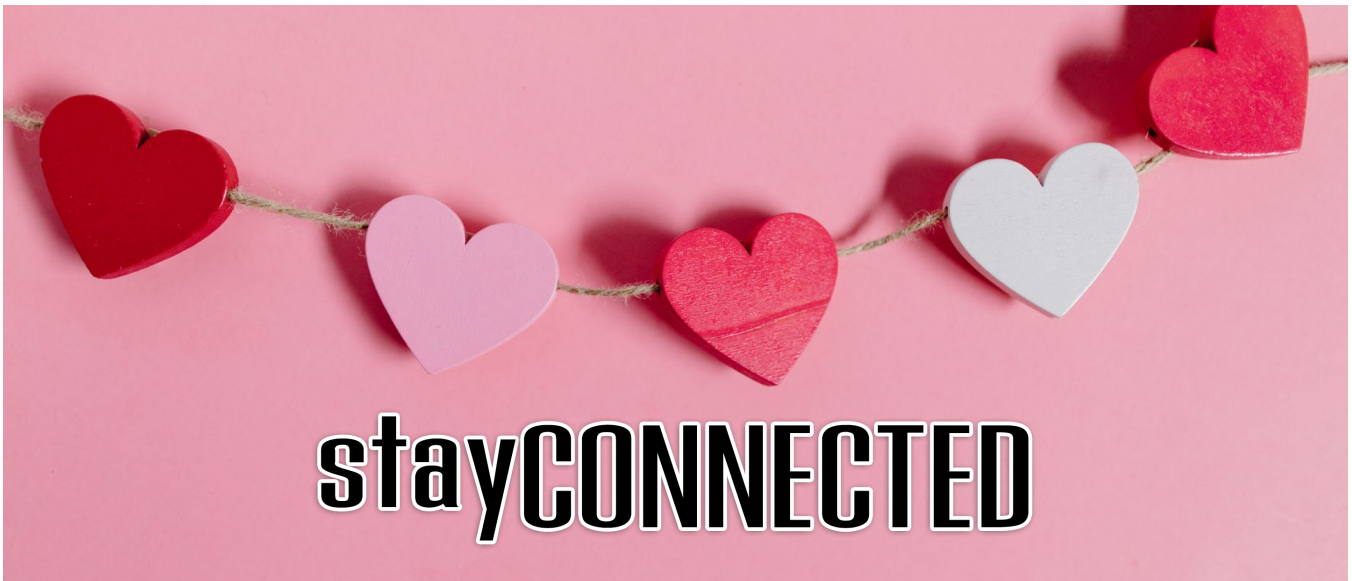
Choose JOY

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13 NIV

Mission:

Resurrection Lutheran School is committed to educating generations of children in the training and instruction of the Lord. Because of this commitment, we will provide a Lutheran educational experience that is Christ-centered, as well as academically focused for children in junior kindergarten through eighth grade.



WORSHIP

Join us for worship!

Saturday, 6:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00 am*, 9:30 am, and Praise 11:00 am*

*Live Stream Services

Connect through our YouTube channel

[@ResurrectionLutheranCary](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCResurrectionLutheranCary)

or through our website at

rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship



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Rev. Zachery Sarrault, Associate Pastor

Rev. Alan Shaw, Assistant Pastor

GIVING

We appreciate your contributions to our congregation. Here are the different ways to make your offering:

- Place in offering plate during worship
- Mail to 100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518
- Online through our church website at rlcary.org/ministries/online-giving
- Download the Vanco Mobile app to transfer funds from your account

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

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