

## Third Sunday After Pentecost

June 29, 2025

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*Pastor's Corner for June 29-July 5, 2025*

### **When Zealousness Is Not Enough (1 Kings 19:9b-18)**

Ever found yourself in a place where you've just simply had it?

That's where we find Elijah this weekend. The Queen Jezebel had a contract out on Elijah's life, following Elijah's showdown with the "her" prophets... the prophets of Baal. The Lord God of Israel had won that contest. Baal had lost. You would think such a victory would have given Elijah the adrenaline he needed to carry on for another day. It did not. Maybe Elijah was tired of running. Maybe he was tired of being a prophet. But whatever the circumstances, Elijah had discovered that his zeal was flagging. "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of hosts," he says, almost as if zealousness was a commodity he had once depended upon to keep moving but now found was

now all used up. Whatever his circumstances, Elijah had come face to face with the reality that zealousness alone in life is never enough.

Barbara Brown Taylor once said that the Bible story of Elijah on Mt. Sinai/Horeb is a kind of resurrection story. God shows up for Elijah in the middle of Elijah's escape to that mountain. But God is not in the wind, or the earthquake, or the fire... all manifestations of God's presence when MOSES met God there. No. After all of that, there is silence and a whisper. And it is the whisper that God gets Elijah's attention! It is by way of a whisper that God speaks to Elijah... and sends him on another assignment. I like to see in that silence and whisper a kind of "pointing ahead" in the Scriptural story to the cross and empty tomb of Jesus. It is there we realize our own zealousness for life is never enough. It is there we experience the grace of God and the gift of Life in Christ Jesus that bring us time and time again into the light of another new day. It is there we find, no matter our own reserves of strength or ability, God's call to new assignments and His strength for new opportunities to serve.

What joy to know that God's grace is always sufficient!

A very blessed Fourth of July to everyone!

Love in Christ,  
Pastor Jonathan

**Prayers of the Church**

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## Saturday, June 28

We will use the Taize format of worship for the Saturday, 6:00 pm service.

A darkened setting with candles, singing of short ostinato refrains of Biblical and liturgical phrases, periods of quiet for reflection, the celebration of communion, readings, and sermon.



Baptized on Sunday, June 29 at 9:30 am

**Clara Maeve Yllanes**

born February 12, 2025,  
daughter of Alexander Paul Yllanes and Hannah Elizabeth Yllanes.

Godparents are Aaron and Adrienne Grabow.

*May God's blessing be upon Clara Maeve as she grows in her baptismal grace.*

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**Flowers Placed on the Sanctuary Altar  
In Honor of Our Granddaughter  
Clara Maeve Yllanes's Baptism  
by Garry & Kristi Grabow**



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 Altar Flowers!\*](#)



During the month of July, the 11:00 am Praise Worship Service  
will be held in the Sanctuary due to maintenance  
in the Family Life Center Gym.



## **Ladies Fellowship Luncheon**

**Wednesday, July 2  
at 11:30 am**

**IHOP**

**1301 Kildaire Farm Road, Cary**

**RSVP through RCB Group  
or Church Office**

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### **The Next Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults**

**Friday, July 11**

We thank all our volunteers who help us to have wonderful Coffeehouses! We couldn't do it without our faithful volunteers. Please come be a volunteer! Our special needs guests love to attend these events and we need lots of volunteers to make them feel special and loved. We thank God for this ministry among us!

We need Setter Uppers at 5:30 pm (both food and room), Servers at 6:30 pm, and Cleaner Uppers at 8:30 pm. Sign Up: [bit.ly/3VAtWW0](https://bit.ly/3VAtWW0)



The next Coffeehouse is **Friday, July 11** from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center gym. Olliver Harper Fultz will be singing and playing for us.

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

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It is with great sadness and in Christian love and hope that we remember our brother in Christ, **Wayne Gene Conners**, who was called to rest with Jesus on May 19, 2025. Our prayers remain with his wife, Dorothy, and their family.

A Celebration of Life in Christ will be held at Resurrection on **Saturday, July 12** at 11:00 am, followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall.

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## Prayer Cards

Visual Faith® Ministry has provided prayer cards by the prayer sheets in the Narthex and the Family Life Center. We invite you to take a few cards home and add prayer notes for your family and friends for whom you are praying.

As you pray for those concerns, color the card, and then send it to the person with a note that says, "You've been in my prayers this week."

If you have questions, please contact Jamee Thieme through RCB.

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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 at 919-851-7248 or [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org) for assistance.

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## Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

### **Enrollment for 2025-26**

at Resurrection Lutheran  
**PRESCHOOL**

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



**+** Classes for children 2-years-old  
thru 5-years-old **+**

[office@rlpcary.org](mailto:office@rlpcary.org)  
**919.851.7270**



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## Resurrection Lutheran School

RLS has an opening for a part-time, two days per week **Front Desk/Administrative Assistant**. Inquiries reach out to [contact@rlscary.org](mailto:contact@rlscary.org).





**rlscary.org**

Junior Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> Grade



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## Latest Lion's Tale

# WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Worship  
in Sanctuary

Saturday, 6:00 pm  
Sunday, \*8:00 & 9:30 am

Praise Worship  
in Family Life Center

Sunday, \*11:00 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](https://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, June 21

6:00 pm - 46

Sunday, June 22

8:00 am - 66

9:30 am - 196

11:00 am - 107

**Total In-Person Worship: 415**

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

Sunday, June 22

8:00 am - 90

11:00 am - 167

**Total Online Views: 257**

## Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

### May 2025

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$1,337,625

Actual Giving to Date: \$1,313,090

**Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$(24,535)**

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$1,329,167

Actual Expenses to Date: \$1,290,792

**Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$38,375**

Questions? Contact [finance@rlcary.org](mailto:finance@rlcary.org).

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## Church Calendar



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## Prayers of the Church – June 29, 2025

*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 Douglas, 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, Hope Mackelprang, Melissa Huntsman, Sue, Kathy, Pamm Haley, Bob, Michael Murphy,  
\*Greta Nelson, \*Marina de Moura Torres, Ames, Doug Gill, Emily, \*Alison Whatley, Joe Huley,  
Lyn Becksford

#### **For Expectant Moms**

\*Melody Gerdes, \*Christina Benson, \*Emily Hooper Evans

#### **Those Prayed for on June 22, 2025**

#### **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
- College Graduates, High School Graduates
- Blessings on Vacation Bible School Week, Leaders, Volunteers, and Participants
- Cancer Free Alan

#### **For Healing**

- \*Kim Goss
- All Those Exposed to COVID, with COVID, and Recovering from COVID
- Blind Ministry Guests - Maria and Jeff Barker, Linda Jones, Judy Dean, Ruby Franklin,  
Miriam Delgado, Helen Rice-Lyles, Nancy Waggoner, Debbie Guice
- \*Greta Nelson
- Pastor William Otto, Cancer Treatment and Surgery

- \*Pam Dickson
- \*Stephanie Ford
- Betty, Memory Issues
- \*Vern Ebert
- \*Mindy Stephani, Recovery
- Doug Gill, Ongoing Cancer Treatment
- \*Helen Campbell
- Terrie Johnson, Mother of \*Jen Kirby
- \*Alison Whatley
- Bryon, Recovery from Brain Injury
- Marion Cecconi, Mother of \*Lecia Roberts
- Martha, Sister of \*Charlotte Raines
- Carrie Heilman, Cancer Treatment, Daughter-In-Law of \*John and \*Virginia Heilman
- Dave, Brother-In-Law of \*Susan Brandt
- Clare Roberts, Cancer Treatment, Mother of \*Michelle Wood
- \*Alan Sullivan
- \*Charlie Shiel
- Rhianna, Healthy Pregnancy
- \*Kathy Rihani
- \*Carol Klevenow, Recovery
- Leta Huntsinger's Mother in Hospice Care
- Cynthia Wyse
- Brian Gorneau, Recovery from Accident
- \*Cecelia Brown, Recovery from Accident
- \*Fern Frusti
- Deb, \*Pam Dickson's sister
- Tyler, Recovering from Burns, and His Family Supporting Him
- James, Gary, Gene, Lois, Doug, Melissa, Alice, Dave, Wendy, Jon, Joe, Richard, Rosemary, Kim, Janet, Michael, June, Lil, Clinton, Noreen, Sylvia, Dan, Bill, Shelby, Mark, Paul, Kelly, Ken, Harold, Eric, Mara, Clay, Susan, Tina, Bob

#### **For Comfort**

- Family and Friends of Michael Collins
- Family and Friends of John Healey
- Family and Friends of Jimmy Ketner
- Family and Friends of Sandra Neels, College Professor of \*Lily Moore
- Family and Friends of Kim, Sister of \*Lynne Hoffman
- Family and Friends of Johnny Gilliam, Friend of Sandy Douglas

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

- Persecuted Christians
- People Around the World Affected by Natural Disasters and Weather Events, Especially People of Western NC, SC
- Weather Events, Heavy Rain, and Flooding, Especially KY, OH, IN, TN, AR, WV
- Families and Businesses Recovering 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 and People of Gaza, 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 Wozniak and Her Family
- Jan and Rich Bloom
- \*Ginny and \*Ed Koren
- \*Meredith A.
- \*Fran Xenakis
- \*Ron and \*Carol Mitchell
- Those Enduring Marriage Struggles and Families in Turmoil
- Those Seeking Jobs and Career Changes, and Federal Workers
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- Dorothy Conners and Her Family
- \*Jim and \*Thelma Rhodes
- \*Anita Moore and Family
- Rundel Family
- Our Government and Leaders, Ease Tensions
- End of School Year Events, Exams, Graduations
- Jeanie and Family
- God's Guidance with Relationships
- God's Guidance in a Career Decision
- Family Vacations

#### **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
- Pastor Alan Shaw, Intentional Interim Pastor at Peace Lutheran Church, Goldsboro NC
- SMP Vicar Christopher Reed, SMP Training and Vicarage, and His Family
- Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools Staff
- Area Pastors and Schools Staff
- Our Stephen Ministers
- Our Ministry of Presence

#### **For Ongoing Mission and Outreach Efforts**

- 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

- Orphan Grain Train
- \*Ilea Kuo, Currently Serving on a Southeast Asia Mission Trip
- Eastern NC Lutheran Via de Cristo

#### **For Our Missionaries**

- JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia  
[Click here for the Cima Family 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.*

**\*RLC Members**

*Updated 6/27/25*