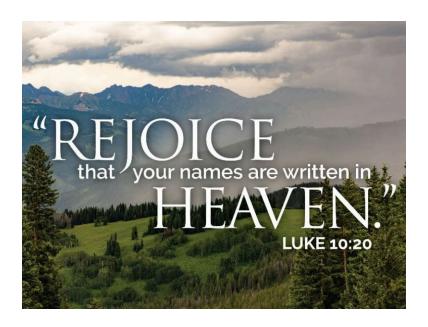
Fourth Sunday After Pentecost July 6, 2025



Pastor's Corner for July 6-12, 2025

Your Name (Luke 10:1-20)

Names are written everywhere. Having just celebrated Independence Day, you may recall going to Military Memorials on family vacations, reading the names of those who sacrificed their lives for our country. Names long forgotten but engraved in our nation's history as those who gave up everything so we may enjoy our lives in America today. There is always something solemn and reverent to stand before a memorial like the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall, read all the names of those I have never met. If you've ever been to such a memorial, you may whisper a quiet thank you to the soldiers long gone or say a prayer for the families who lost loved ones. It can certainly be an awe-inspiring place, reading those names.

Did you know that your name is being read by someone right now? Your name is recorded in a book, not a memorial book, not in remembrance of things you have done or sacrificed, not to be read in quiet reverence or a whispered thank you, but to be shouted in joy and celebration.

"Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven." (Luke 10:20)

Jesus said this to the 72 disciples that He had sent out on His Mission to heal the sick and proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is here. Upon returning to Jesus, these 72 were thrilled over all they had done. They couldn't believe everything they were able to do, and they were awe-struck at what God had done through them on His Mission. But Jesus brings them down a peg or two. He tells them not to celebrate over what they had done, but to rejoice that their very names are already written down in heaven.

Their names, and your name too, isn't in heaven because they had done awesome things, but because they were already disciples of Jesus. This Mission Jesus sent them on wasn't an audition to see if they were worthy of their names to be written in heaven, but they were sent on Jesus' Mission because their names were already written in heaven. How awesome is that! Your name is written in heaven and known by God (Isaiah 43:1) simply because you are a child of God. More than your name being written in the book of life and held by God, your name is continually spoken to your Father God by Jesus in the heavenly places (Revelation 3:5), never to be forgotten or unknown.

Your name is recorded in heaven, but not because of the great things you've done or out of honor for what you have sacrificed like the names of those engraved on Military Memorials. Instead, your name is written with the lifegiving, eternal blood of the Son of God to live forever in heaven with Him.

Your known brother in Christ, Pastor Zach Sarrault

Please note, the church office will be closed Friday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

Prayers of the Church



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.



Sign Up for Altar Flowers!

Christmas in July is here!

The Human Care Committee is sponsoring our Christmas Giving Tree in July. This effort will give our congregation the opportunity to support these organizations that assist families working to stabilize their housing and financial situations.

The Christmas tree is located in the Narthex of the Sanctuary from **July 1-31**. The tree has numerous ornament "tags". Take a tag (or 2) and return it to the tree with the requested item and tag next time you are at church. No need to wrap them!

This year our gifts will benefit Green Chair Project (<u>thegreenchair.org</u>) and Families Together (<u>familiestogethernc.org</u>).



Emmaus Way Walking Group

Come join the Emmaus Way Walking Group on Wednesdays! Meet in the Java Jive parking lot at **8:30 am** (*note time change).

Java Jive is located across Kildaire Farm Road from RLC. (2425 Kildaire Farm Road, Suite 403, Cary)

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

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



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).



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.

Men's Ministry ~ Summer Gatherings

During the summer, we are meeting up for casual gatherings. Enjoyed our time together at the Tap Station in Apex during our June event!



All men welcome! Our next event will be **Wednesday**, **July 23** from 6:30-8:30 pm at the Cleveland Draft House in Fuguay Varina.

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

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."

Free Evening Seminar for All to Attend!

TRÎANGLE FAITH.org

Sunday, August 10, 2025 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Revealing Jesus: Christ's Fulfillment of the Old Testament

Jesus' words are saturated with the Old Testament. He speaks of Himself and His work as the fulfillment of everything promised by Moses and the prophets. Everything! From Genesis to Malachi, every word drips with Jesus. Let's take a look at how Jesus uses the Old Testament to make His person and work known. We'll examine specific Old Testament texts to understand them in their original context and then see how Christ fulfills them. Not only will our appreciation of the Old Testament grow, but we will have a deepened insight into what the New Testament teaches us of Christ.

- Walking with Jesus to Emmaus: Christ's Self-Reference to the Old Testament
- Reading the Old Testament on Its Own Terms
- · How the New Testament Reads the Old Testament

Workshop Location

Hosted by: Jordan Lutheran Church Location: 309 Holleman St., Apex, NC

TriangleFaith.org is a cooperative effort of congregations in The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod that seeks to bring the message of forgiveness to the greater Raleigh Triangle community.



Dr. Kevin Golden
Associate Professor of
Exegetical Theology

Dr. Kevin Golden is associate professor of Exegetical Theology, dean of Theological Research and Publication, and director of Resident Field Education at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. He joined the faculty in 2021.

Golden's research experience includes Hosea, biblical usage of the divine name, Genesis 6-9, Jonah, the Book of the Twelve (Minor Prophets) and biblical intertextuality.

He is the author of *Blessed Be His Name: Revealing the Sacred Names of God* (Concordia Publishing House, 2021), *God's Own Son Is Born A Child* (Concordia Publishing House, 2019) and *LifeLight: Minor Prophets* (Concordia Publishing House, 2009). He contributed to the festschrift, *The Mercy of God in the Cross of Christ: Essays on Mercy in Honor of Glenn Merritt* (LCMS, 2016).



In addition to this free evening seminar, Dr. Kevin Golden is offering a continuing education workshop geared for pastors, church workers, and laity interested in digging into the Scriptures on **August 11-13**.

This workshop will take place at the office of Jordan Lutheran Church, Monday through Wednesday. <u>Click here</u> to get details on the three-day workshop entitled, *It Stands Written: The New Testament Appropriation of the Old Testament*.

Giving Statements

Giving Statements through June 30, 2025 are available in your church mailbox. Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

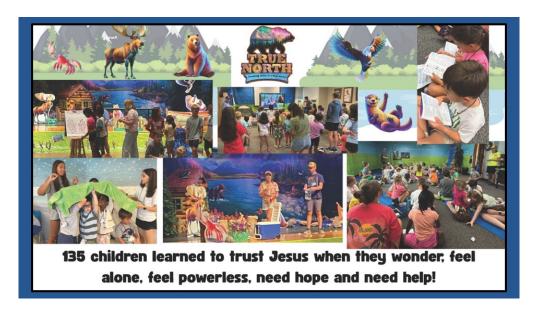
RLC Worship Servants and Training

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 at 919-851-7248 or office@rlcary.org for assistance.

Children and Family Ministry





Questions? Contact Erika Hulse, Children and Family Ministry Director, at erika.hulse@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248, ext. 62.

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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, June 28 6:00 pm - 58

Sunday, June 29 8:00 am - 71 9:30 am - 204 11:00 am - 79

Total In-Person Worship: 412

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel:

Sunday, June 29 8:00 am - 87 11:00 am - 31

Total Online Views: 118

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

Church Calendar





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Prayers of the Church – July 6, 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, *Shannon Dawe, *Renee Guerin

Those Prayed for on June 29, 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
- *Alan Sullivan, Cancer Free
- Lutheran Women in Mission Convention in Omaha, NE
- The Campau's Wedding Anniversary

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
- *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, Sister of *Pam Dickson
- Tyler, Recovering from Burns, and His Family Supporting Him
- Kim, Sister of *Paul Schmidt
- Belle, Cancer Return, Healing
- Laurie, Hospitalized, Healing
- *Jackson Lonseth
- Joe, Jessica, Cathy, Olevia, Sam, Dana, Sandy, Tim, Justin, Red, Brian, Kevin, Keith, Mark, Carlton, Anna, Anne, Paul, Skylar, Patty, Scott, Rhianna, Doug, Alice, Lois, Melissa, Richard, Rosemary, Bob, Bill, Janet, Joyce, Joe, Brandon, James, Amanda, Gary, Gene and Lois, Carrie, Virginia, Darlene, Ruby, Noreen, Syliva, Clinton, Faye, Dan, Shelby, Harold, Ken, Kelly, Jeri, Dave, Sandy, Kris, Dusty

For Comfort

- Family and Friends of Kim, Sister of *Lynne Hoffman
- Family and Friends of Johnny Gilliam, Friend of Sandy Douglas
- Family and Friends of Patrick Barefoot, Especially Friends Brandon and Jason Boyer

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, Especially the Community of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
- Dorothy Conners and Her Family
- *Jim and *Thelma Rhodes
- *Anita Moore and Family
- Rundel Family
- Our Government and Leaders, Ease Tensions

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 7/3/25