## Twenty-Fifth Sunday After Pentecost November 10, 2024



Pastor's Corner for November 10-16, 2024

# What are you waiting for? (Hebrews 9:24-28)

"What are you waiting for?" How often have you spoke those words? Maybe it's to your kids as you're trying to get out the door in the morning. Or to your spouse as you figure out what you're doing for date night. Maybe you say it quietly as you stand in a checkout line, staring at someone painfully slow in front of you. Maybe you yell it at your phone, waiting for a video to load, or the helpline to finally answer your question. Maybe you think it as you sit in the cold, waiting for a deer to walk out of the woods (ok, that one might just be me!).

We are a notoriously impatient people. God's people always have been. We are impatient with our family, friends, complete strangers, and even God. When we are impatient, when we grow tired of waiting, sin is always creeping close. We become irritable, angry, depressed, anxious, sometimes fearful. When things don't happen according to our timing and the way we want it to go, we inevitably treat people the wrong way. We end up hurting those that God has given us.

None of us like to wait. But, as people of God, we are all waiting for something. There is one last promise that God has given that we wait for. We are waiting for Christ to return. That is the final act of God that, not only do we wait for, we long for it. How are you doing at waiting for Jesus? Is it even something that crosses your mind?

The writer of Hebrews says that Jesus is coming for "those who are eagerly waiting for Him" (Heb. 4:28). We look forward to Jesus' coming back! That will be a grand and glorious day like none of us have ever imagined before. It will be a loud, triumphant, beautiful day of eternal victory and celebration! On that day, heaven and earth will be united eternally, God will physically dwell with His people, and we will no longer have to wait for anything. No more pain, anger, depression, anxiety, or fear. All of it will be gone.

So, what does that mean for us today? It means we get to participate in God's restoration of all things right now. Waiting for God = living with God. It is always the same thing. Our lives are eternal now, because we know who is coming and we don't have to wait to live with Him. Jesus is with us now, preparing us for the final day, when all waiting is over.

Your eagerly waiting brother in Christ, Pastor Zach Sarrault

The church office will be closed Monday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day.

### **Prayers of the Church**



Childcare available.

Contact Tom Gebbia or <a href="mailto:mens-ministry@rlcary.org">mens-ministry@rlcary.org</a>.

### Worship in the Park

Sunday, November 10

**This Sunday, November 10**, join us as we celebrate Worship in the Park, including a musical offering by Resurrection Lutheran School students, at Ritter Park (across from church).

Sunday School for Children begins at 10:00 am, **Worship at 11:00 am**, followed by family games and food.

### There will be <u>no</u> 9:30 am Worship Service or Adult Christian Ed class.

Note: Sunday School for Middle and High School will remain at 9:30-10:30 am in The Warehouse (Room 253).



### **Weekly Bible Study Opportunities**

### **SUNDAY**

### No 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

### Men's Weekly Study and Fellowship

Mondays, 7:00-8:15 pm - Room 240, Family Life Center *Tell Someone* Series - October 21-December 2 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

### **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 <a href="mailto:office@rlcary.org">office@rlcary.org</a> or 919-851-7248.



# Supper & Scripture Wednesday Evening Activities Schedule

5:00-5:30 pm

Jubilee Bells, Sanctuary

5:15-6:00 pm

Dinner, Gym

5:30-6:00 pm

Rainbow Choir, Sanctuary Sonshine Singers, Choir Room

6:00-7:00 pm

Kidz Live, RM 151 Middle School Youth, Warehouse Intentional Parenting, RM 240 **6:30-7:30 pm** Adult Christian Ed

Christian Reconciliation, FH Men with Kids, RM 247 Grace-ful Women, RM 251

6:30-7:30 pm

Heavenly Handbells, Sanctuary

7:00-8:00 pm

Confirmation, RM 240

7:30-8:45 pm

Sanctuary Choir, Sanctuary

### **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 <u>rlcary.org</u> 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).





### Help decorate the church for Christmas, order a poinsettia!

Pick up an order form at the Information Tables in the Narthex and Family Life Center lobby. Cost is \$15 per plant with a choice of red or white flowers.

### Orders are due by Thursday, November 14.

Place your completed order form and check made payable to RLC in the office mailbox of Linda Merrill or mail to 100 W. Lochmere Drive, Cary NC 27518.

You may take home a plant after the 10:00 am worship service on Christmas Day. Plants not claimed will be donated.

### College Ministry - NC State

Calling all NC State and other college-age students in the Triangle area! Do you want to come and howl with the Lutheran Pack? LCMSU @ NCSU is having its inaugural meeting on **Thursday**, **November 14** from 5:00-6:00 pm at the NC State Study Center, 201 Brooks Avenue, Raleigh.

At our first meeting, we will give more details about what LCMSU is and what we want our chapter to look like, and end with a "Brief Service of the Word" led by Rev. Alan Shaw from Resurrection Lutheran Church. Snacks and drinks will be provided.



LCMS University (LCMSU) is a college outreach program developed by The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod that understands that "College is tough. You need Jesus." You can find out more about the main organization at <a href="lcms.org/how-we-serve/national/campus-ministry">lcms.org/how-we-serve/national/campus-ministry</a>. LCMSU @ NCSU will primarily serve the students attending NC State University, but is open to those from UNC, Duke, Elon, and surrounding colleges in the area as well as those studying at home.

If you or someone you know is interested in attending our first meeting, please reach out to Pastor Alan at <a href="mailto:alan.shaw@rlcary.org">alan.shaw@rlcary.org</a>.

### 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 <u>by Sunday</u>, <u>December 1</u>. 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 - <a href="mailto:christmasstorenc.com">christmasstorenc.com</a>.





### **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.



### **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.

### **Children and Family Ministry**



Questions? Contact Erika Hulse, Children and Family Ministry Director <a href="mailto:erika.hulse@rlcary.org">erika.hulse@rlcary.org</a>.

**Youth Ministry** 

Middle School and High School



### Over 200 Attend the SED High School Youth Gathering!

This past weekend, more than 200 students and adults attended the 2024 SED High School Youth Gathering at Watermarks Camp in Scottsville, Virginia. Rev. Nick Gonzales from the Lutheran Church of St. Andrew in Silver Spring, Maryland, served as the session speaker, while Vicar Ray Dubert from Our Savior's Way in Ashburn, Virginia, led a music group composed of youth and adult leaders. The event's theme, "God's Plan: Prosper, Future, Hope," inspired by Jeremiah 29:11, emphasized the deep comfort, hope, and joy in the promise that God's plan for us is greater than we can imagine.

In addition to full-group and small-group sessions, students enjoyed a variety of camp activities like archery, paintball, zip lining, boating, rock wall climbing, the Mega Spin, an Escape Room, outdoor games, and even the challenging "Leap of Faith." Each fall, usually in late October or early November, the SED organizes a

District-wide High School Gathering. The dates for the 2025 event will be announced soon — stay tuned for more details!

Tom Kolb
Executive Director of Schools and Youth
LCMS Southeastern District



Questions? Contact Ms. Jenny, Youth Director <u>jenny.piontek@rlcary.org</u> or 919-851-7248, ext. 24.

**Resurrection Lutheran Preschool** 

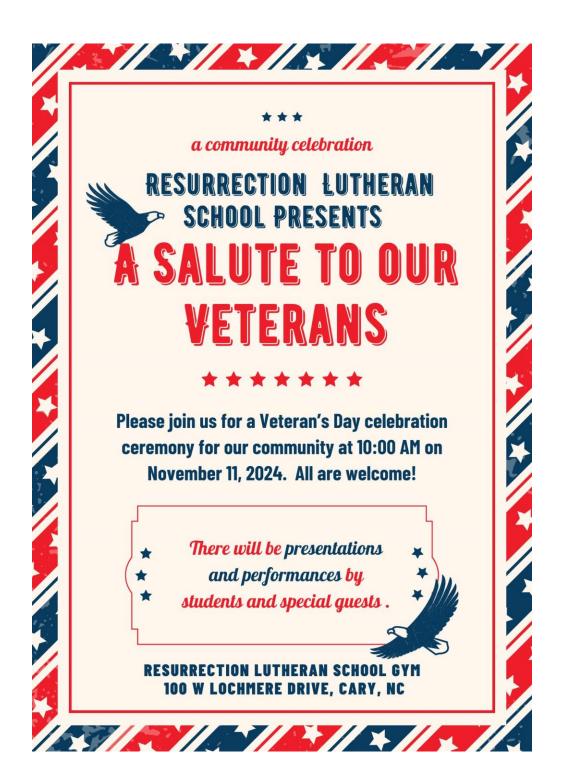
Our program offers opportunities and experiences that will enrich, expand, and develop a child's ever-increasing accumulation of knowledge in a loving Christian atmosphere. Classes available for 2-year - 5-year olds. *Call for a tour today!* 



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### **Resurrection Lutheran School**





### **Latest Lion's Tale**



For online services, connect through our YouTube channel at <a href="mailto:youtube.com/ResurrectionLutheranChurchCaryNC">youtube.com/ResurrectionLutheranChurchCaryNC</a> or through our website at <a href="mailto:rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship">rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship</a>.

This Week's Visual Faith Sheet

### **Weekly Attendance**

### **In-Person Worship Attendance**

Saturday, November 2 6:00 pm - 57

Sunday, November 3

8:00 am - 107

9:30 am - 156

11:00 am - 106

**Total In-Person Worship: 426** 

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

Sunday, November 3 8:00 am - 113 11:00 am - 45

**Total Online Views: 158 views** 

### Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

### September 2024

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$337,125.00 Actual Giving to Date: \$324,665.78

Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$(12,459.22)

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$362,500.00 Actual Expenses to Date: \$359,018.24 Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$3,481.76

## **Church Calendar**





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#### Prayers of the Church – November 10, 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 3, 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
- All of Our New Members
- Fun Fall Festival!
- 90th Birthday of Sara, Mother of \*Dawn Leister
- Birth of Zoe Madison Collins, Granddaughter of \*Greg and \*Shane Jarvis
- Our High School Youth Group Retreat
- Aryana's 10th Birthday

#### **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, Cancer Treatment
- \*Helen Campbell
- Joan Gresens, Mother of \*Phil Gresens
- Terrie Johnson, Mother of \*Jen Kirby
- \*Alison Whatley
- \*Sally Cotton
- \*Yvette Crawlev
- Christie, Cancer Treatment
- Martha, Sister of \*Charlotte Raines
- Mark, Son of \*Charlotte Raines
- \*Bruce Kennedy
- Karl, Linda, Ricky, Yvette, Jocelyn, Cathy, Jessica, Trina, Tim, Justin, Red, Brian, Kevin, Keith, Mark, Paul, Carlton, Carol, Anna, Anne, Skylar, Patty, Lynne, Roy, Doug, R. Scott, Gene, Lois, Steve, Alice, Imma, Kathy, Noreen, Sylvia, Joann, Shelby, Ken, Harold, Joe, Gerry, Shim, Dave, E.P., Roseanne, Reggie, Eric, Connie

#### **For Comfort**

- Friends and Family of Peter Kuo, Father of \*Nelson Kuo
- Friends and Family of Bill Bord, Uncle of \*Susan Moore
- Friends and Family of Rob Dempsey, His Radio Morning DJ
- Friends and Family of Ed Jorden, Especially Wife Lesley, Brother-In-Law of \*Eileen Douglas

### 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
- Our Country and Leaders
- Immanuel Lutheran Church, Altamont IL and Their Call Process
- For a Healthy Pregnancy, \*Hannah Yllanes
- In Remembrance Alice Galina
- Good Test Results for Ken

#### 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.

\*RLC Members Updated 11/6/24