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Sunday Service Times

8:00 & 11:30 am - Traditional Worship in the South Building Sanctuary 9:00 & 10:30 am - Contemporary Worship in the North Building Worship Center

Livestream is available at 8:00 & 10:30 via youtube.com "Risen Savior Chandler" Communion is served at the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month and at every 11:30 am service.



We hope you're enjoying "The Story" series so far. We will be continuing with this series for several more weeks, but will break for Easter. Be sure to keep your book handy and take this time to catch-up if you have gotten behind on your reading. You are still able to get added to the weekly handout e-blast by using the QR code or emailing info@rslcs.org.





Midweek Lenten Services

March 6 at 12:30 pm/6:30 pm in the Sanctuary
March 13 at 12:30 pm/6:30 pm in the Sanctuary
March 20 at 12:30 pm/6:30 pm in the Sanctuary
Palm Sunday March 24, the usual Sunday Service schedule

Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday Services March 28 at 12:30/6:30pm Good Friday Services March 29 12:30/6:30 pm

Livestream will be available at 6:30 pm.



See more details about the Saturday night service/Spring Fling on page 12.

How to Place a Prayer or Request a Pastor Visit

*Submit a prayer request by emailing prayers@rslcs.org or use the QR code below. Prayers remain on the list unless an update is provided. To have someone pray with you by phone or in-person email prayers@rslcs.org.

*To notify the church of a surgery or hospitalization, please email prayers@rslcs.org. Please include the facility and contact number.

*After hours that need a timely response from a Pastor, please call 480.895.6782 ext. 120 and leave your name and phone number.



SERMON ARCHIVE

If you are unable to join us in-person or via livestream worship at our service times available, don't worry, the entire sermon is uploaded the same day after 1:30 pm. Visit rslcs.org under "Sermon Archive" and you can view any of the previous sermons at your convince.

Livestream Every Sunday!

If you go on vacation, fall ill or miss church one Sunday, you can always join us live on YouTube.com "Risen Savior Chandler" or Facebook. If that still doesn't work for your schedule, we always upload the sermons the same day onto our website, rslcs.org, so you can watch anytime.

Admin Building
Office Hours
M-Th 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Fri. 8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Office is Closed 4/1

BAPTISM AT RISEN SAVIOR

If you are someone you know is interested in getting more information on being baptized, contact the Church Office at 480.895.6782 or scan the QR code below and complete the form.





Refreshed for the Journey Capital Stewardship Campaign

All members can expect to receive a phone call from another member (see the list below) to schedule a visit about the South Building renovation plans. Visits will last approximately 30 minutes. These visits are extremely informative regarding the plans for the entire South Building. If you are excited about the campaign and ready for your visit, feel free to contact anyone on the list any time. Be sure to get your visit scheduled to ask the questions you have! Contact the Carl Graber at carl.graber@rslcs.org if you have any additional questions.

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Mondays at 10:00 am in SB Room 110.

March 4 there will be a reunion for those who have ever attended Grief Share. Please join us for fellowship and connection.

Grief Share is a grief recovery support group where you can find help/healing for the hurt of losing a loved one or if you or a loved one has a terminal illness. Contact the Church Office with any questions.



Piece Maker Quilter's

Wednesdays from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm in the SB Fellowship Hall.

In January, the quilt ministry put together 50 quilts and had 16 knitted hats donated.

36 quilts were donated to: My Sisters Place (1), Salvation Army (6), Timeout Payson (10), and Hamilton High School (19)

We invite anyone interested to join us, as there really are so many benefits to quilting., such as;

- Fellowship with a wonderful group of women
- Sharing the love of Jesus through a warm comfy quilt to those in need
- A chance to share new ways of quilting or see projects brought in for "show and tell"
- Eating yummy snacks
- And EXERCISE! Yes, exercise.

We do LOTS of stretching (to reach those squares in the middle) or picking up pins dropped on the floor. Fine motor skills (to pick up those pins again when they slip out of our grasp and threading needles), weight bearing workouts (moving variously sized boxes, bins, and carts), obstacle course (dodging large rolls of batting, tables, chairs, carts, people etc) You can probably see many more ways we keep physically active once you join us. Contact us if you are interested. Gale Solway 805.404.7604 or Dottie Mitchell 480.749.0977.



Volunteer Event (at their location in Mesa)

Saturday, March 16th • 9:00 am - 11:00 am

All are encouraged to participate!

If you missed last year, you won't want to miss this one! This is an event where food is packaged to help feed people in over 100 different countries. Use the QR code to sign-up today.

You will need to create an account.

(Note: No children under the age of 5 are permitted to participate, due to safety concerns) Email info@rslcs.org if you have any issues signing up.





His Story, Our Story Begins April 3 at 6:00 pm in the NB Multi-Use Room.

Our desire is for everyone to take their next step in faith through worship, connecting with others, developing their faith, and answering God's call upon their lives. This is a 5-week course for those who desire to walk deeper in their faith. If this sounds like you, RSVP today. If you have questions, email kevin.austin@rslcs.org.





Once again...Great job Risen Savior on being such a generous congregation!

Last year we provided AZCEND with 4,743 lbs of food between all of our donations. The city of Chandler is blessed by each of you!





Women's Christ-Centered Yoga Mondays at 6:00 pm in the NB. Nurture your body, mind, heart and spirit. Please bring a mat (if you have one) and wear comfortable clothing. This group meets every Monday. RSVP, as space is limited, to Dawn at dawn@inspiritusyoga.com.

"WE SHARE BECAUSE WE CARE" FOOD DRIVE

April 13-14

Summer is quickly approaching, which means many of you are planning your "escape" from the Arizona summer heat! You may also have extra food that you don't want to leave behind in your homes all summer, so instead, drop it off at the Food Drive!

Risen Savior Lutheran Church is coordinating a non-perishable Food Drive with AZCEND to help with the needs of many people in the local area. The food pantries find it especially difficult to keep "stocked" during the summer months. We are seeking your involvement in this effort by inviting you to drop off any non-perishable foods to the North Building on April 13 between 10:00 am - 3:00 pm.

Monetary donations can also be made at the Admin Building during the week of April 8-12 or on April 13 at the North Building food drop off area. Checks need to be made payable to "AZCEND". All donations are tax deductible.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jayne at (602) 625-1494 or Kay at (480) 385-8549.

Thank you in advance for your participation.



When you give to ACSTO, you help provide tuition scholarships for students at Risen Savior Early Childhood Center and receive a **dollar-for-dollar** tax credit against your 2023 state income tax obligation.

You can give your 2023 tax credit donation any time up to Tax Day. (Your donation must be made prior to filing your taxes, but no later than Tax Day—whichever comes first.)



SCAN THE QR CODE TO DONATE TODAY!

donor.acsto.org



CONTACT US

480.820.0403

www.ACSTO.org



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Hooks and Needles Ministry

Tuesdays at 10:00 am in SB Rm 110.

This group meets weekly and all are welcome. If you would prefer to work at home, patterns and instructions are available outside the Fellowship Hall, and in a drawer under the bed in the First Aid room in the North Building. If you need yarn or have any questions, please contact Marion at 602.920.3319.

VISTITATIONS

If you or someone you know would like a visitation, please notify the church of a surgery or hospitalization or other care emergency by emailing visits@rslcs.org. Be sure to include the facility and contact number.



Blood Pressure Screenings

March 10 in the SB Narthex from 8:45 am—9:15 am & in the

NB First Aid Room from 10:15 am—10:45 am. Screening will be available the second Sunday of each month. If you are interested in serving on the Care Ministries team, c o n t a c t N a n c y a t nancygooding59@gmail.com.

Landscape Ministry

This group meets Thursdays at 6:00 am for fellowship and to care for the church campus grounds. Contact Chuck for more information cmdeuth1@gmail.com.

SUNDAY PARKING

A friendly reminder that there is additional parking available at the Administration Building and we have permission to use the Safeway parking lot for our Sunday service overflow. Also, if you are able to walk a little further, it would be kind of you to leave the front handicapped spots open to those who

Padre Dave's "Theology Thoughts" Blog



Thinking out loud about God, Christian theology and more specifically the evangelical catholic theology as lived out amongst we Lutherans; and my attempt to get you to relax and let God love you! Pastor Dave Poedle invites you to join him on this adventure through his blog..."Theology Thoughts" are his random reflections on topics that come to his mind on any given day. Visit https://padrepoedel.substack.com



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Risen Savior Monthly Financial Review

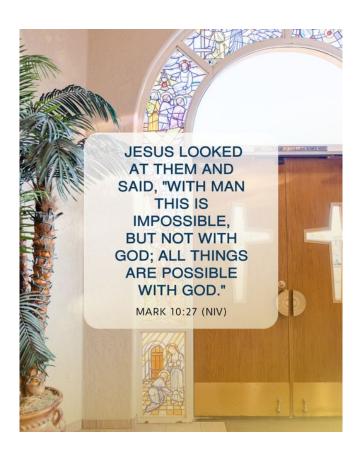
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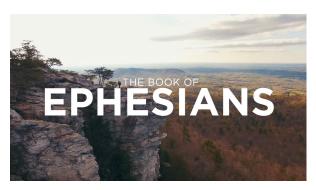
We are changing how we report on financials. On a monthly basis you will see a high level overview of the activities of the month that will include a comparison to the previous year. Then, on a quarterly basis, there will be a more in-depth look at the financials. If you desire more detail on a monthly basis, please contact our Director of Operations, Susan Mello at susan.mello@rslcs.org.

Monthly Financial Overview

Key Financial Indicators

	February 2024	Budget	Difference	February 2023	Difference
Operating Cash	(4,464)	NA	NA	(21,144)	16,680
Weekly Tracked Giving	41,163	41,250	(87)	26,196	14,967
Weekly Loose Plate	1,932	2,650	(718)	1,587	345
Net Income	1,167	(13,665)	14,832	3,221	(2,054)





Ephesians Bible Study
Sundays at 9:05 or 10:15 am in the
North Building Multi-Use Room.
Join us for this new Bible Study on
Sundays Barry Ritchie.



Quenched by His Word: Women's Evening Bible Study

March 12 at 6:30 pm in the South Building Rm 110.

NO Meeting March 26

Join us for "Be Thou My Guide: A Bible Study on Trusting God" written by Margo Heath Dupre. This group gathers on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month for Bible study and prayer. Contact 480.393.3801 with any questions.

Adult Forum

Sundays at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall. Join Pastor Dave for new study each week. All adults are welcome!

Maricopa Bible Study: Good & Evil

March 4 & 18 at 6:30 pm (RSVP for Address).

This study meets every other Monday and just started a new study "Good & Evil". Contact Linda for more details and to RSVP 480.452.8980.



Men's Early Bird Bible Study with Pastor Kevin

March 9 & 23 at 7:30 am in the NB Multi-Use Room.

Doors open at 7:00 am for coffee, donuts and fellowship. Feel free to bring a friend or fellow member, all men are welcome. Contact Chuck at 480.766.3626 with any questions.



What are Stephen Ministers?

Are you going through a tough time? Stephen Ministers are a member of the congregation who listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support to people who are facing a crisis, or going through tough times. The care you receive is confidential, free and very helpful. You are not required to be a member of Risen Savior to meet with a Stephen Minister. Contact the Church Office at info@rslcs.org for more information.

Life Quote: "Please rejoice in knowing prayer works (God hears our prayers) and keep praying for the states who still haven't banned abortions and for those states trying to ward off those who want to bring it back. We are not done praying and never will be. God is on our side, and He has a plan." Virginia Flo, lutheransforlife.org



Use the QR code to check our calendar for a new Bible Study!



Prayer Warriors & Prayer Focus

Wednesdays at 9:30 am RSVP for Location. If you have a passion for talking to the Lord in prayer or lifting up those in need, join us every Wednesday! Contact Joan at mandjscott@cox.net with any questions. This ministry prepares a Prayer Focus that all the congregation is invited to partake in. It's a weekly prayer for a specific topic, all you do is add this prayer to your prayer time! The Prayer Focus for each week this month is:

March 3 - Thank God for the faith building Alpha Study and for God's unique blessings on the participants and volunteers. (James 1:5, Proverbs 3:5-7, Psalm 111:10, John 8:32)

March 10 - During this season of Lent, with the help of the Holy Spirit, pray for repentance and forgiveness of our sins and for us to forgive those who have sinned against us. (1 John 1:9, Mark 11:25, 2 Corinthians 7:10a, Matthew 6:14-15)

March 17 - Ask for the Holy Spirit's guidance in confessing your sins, then give praise and thanksgiving for the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross for us. (Psalm 51:1-3, Acts 2:38, Philippians 2:6-7, Psalm 146:1-2)

March 24 - Hosanna, Hosanna with great joy and thanksgiving, give praise and honor to Jesus the King of Kings, who willingly went to the cross. (John 12:13, Psalm 118:28-29)

March 31 - Thank God that we can sing loud Alleluias with great joy and praise for the resurrection of Jesus! (Matthew 28:5-7, Colossians 3:16, Psalm 33:1, 3-4, Psalm 100)



LWML Monthly Meeting

March 14 at 1:00 pm in the SB Room 110. Join us for our monthly general meeting and fellowship. All women are welcome.

LWML Mission Grant Update

Disaster Response Team, Trinity Lutheran Church, Tyler, TX - \$50,000. This team is entirely volunteer large machinery workers who set up a base camp in areas affected by hurricanes, tornadoes, and floods. The Mission Grant provides monies for equipment repairs and replacement parts so that the team can continue to be Christ's hands and feet, sharing God's love to people affected by disasters.



NO Meeting on March 28

Thursdays at 9:00 am in the NB Multi-Use Room. Join Women's Ministry for "The Story" book's 31-session series, church-wide experience. Discover the heart of God's Upper Story-His masterplan unfolding in the lives of the Bible's characters as well as in your own life-and experience the joy that comes as you align your story with God's!



Women's Ministry Guest Speaker Lynne Hartke, "Spiritual Practices" Verse Mapping and Bible Journaling

April 4 at 9:00 am in the NB Multi-Use Room.

We hope you can join us for fellowship, coffee and muffins, sisterhood connections and prayer. RSVP to anniewolfchandler@gmail.com.

YOUTH AND TEEN INFORMATION

NURSERY

(Age 3 and under)

Available on Sundays during the 9 & 10:30 am services in the North Building



Experience the joy of Easter like never before at our Family Easter Service in the Worship Center! After the uplifting service filled with children signing and lots of great music, stick around for a fun-filled celebration featuring pizza, jump houses, and a special visit from the Easter Bunny! It's an afternoon the whole family won't want to miss. See you there!



SUNDAY SCHOOL (AGE 3-GRADE 6)

While the grown-ups study"The Story" book series this year, the youth will be learning the full story of the Bible too! Join us weekly for lessons targeted at each age group as they learn and explore the greatest story ever told!

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March 31

Nursery is available

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IGNITE PRE-CONFIRMATION (GRADES 6-8) MEETS SUNDAYS AT 6:00 PM IN THE NB.

IMPACT (Grades 9-12) MEETS SUNDAYS AT 7:00 PM IN THE NB.

Have questions regarding any of our youth groups? Contact our Director of NextGen & Family Ministry, Jill Lopez at Jill.lopez@rslcs.org



