

THE MESSENGER

Monthly Newsletter



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Update from Pastor Kent

A Summer of Holy Spirit - Pentecost!

The celebration of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the early disciples, often referred to as the birth of the Church, coincides with the start of summer (May 24th). As new life grows all around us, so too the new life of Christ grows in us, through us, and around us as well, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Throughout this summer of Pentecost, we will be reflecting on the ways the Holy Spirit, shapes us, gifts us, and empowers us to be Christ's disciples and servants in the world.

Disciples of Jesus Christ organize our lives around three movements:

- Be with Jesus
- Become like Jesus
- Do as Jesus did

You are invited to spend time with Jesus this summer, opening yourself to the Holy Spirit through worship, Bible reading and reflection, prayer, acts of loving service to your neighbors, sharing stories of faith. In the process we become more and more like Jesus and do as Jesus did as his love and grace permeates our heart, mind, soul, and life.

10AM Sunday Morning Worship Service this Summer – starting May 24 (Memorial Day Weekend)

Starting on Memorial Day Sunday, May 24, through Labor Day Sunday, September 6, we will be having one worship service on Sunday mornings at 10:00am. We will be using the liturgical settings from Marty Haugen's "Now the Feast and Celebration," along with a variety of music styles of hymns, songs, and anthems for special music.

As always, worship will be streamed online on our YouTube channel. So, wherever you happen to be enjoying your summer activities, you can always join us online for worship!

Sunday Worship Volunteers

We are looking for ushers, communion servers, greeters, and readers.

It takes many helpers to make a Sunday run smoothly at RLC, and to show good hospitality to all who enter our doors. If you or members of your family are interested in helping on Sunday mornings, please contact Mary in the church office at mjohnson@rosevillelutheran.org or 651-487-7752, or stop by the Welcome Desk on Sunday mornings.



Important Dates & Events in June/July

May 31st
RLC Jazz Concert

June 7th
Adult Ed Summer Psalm
Series Begins

June 11th
RLC Reads Book Selection

June 27-28
Twin Cities Pride

For a full calendar
of church events,
please check out
the church website
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CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE

Volunteer Opportunities: Habitat for Humanity-Our former child-care house was sold to Habitat for Humanity. The house is in the process of being renovated. Much of the renovation is being done by volunteer groups called Bud's Bunch and the Holy Hammers. Bud Helman, a beloved member of Roseville Lutheran, was instrumental in the formation of these groups. Holy Hammers has grown into a group of 14 area churches. They would like to see RLC involved in their work across the St Paul area. Joe Ziegler has agreed to serve as our contact for Holy Hammers. Let Joe know if you want to volunteer: joe@mrwrite.biz

Council approved the Discovery Team's report on the future of youth and family ministry: The report evaluates the current state of youth and family ministry programs and creates a strategic vision for the future. The report is the culmination of that work intended to be a guide for staffing and programming. In March, Council authorized the hiring of a full time Youth and Family Director. The search process has begun. Contact Pastor Marty if you have questions. To view the full Discovery Report, scan the QR code.



Budget News: We have a small budget surplus at this time. This is partly due to increases in giving. In addition, expenses are down because we have staff positions that are not yet filled. Because of the surplus, we did not host a pRaise fundraiser campaign this year. However, there will be a neighborhood celebration. See below. Thank you for your support of programs at RLC. Your continued support will ensure that we can grow our ministries to our members and the community.

RLC Jazz Concert: Join us for a full day of joyful music and worship on Sunday, May 31! RLC Jazz will lead the music during our 10:00 am worship service, bringing a vibrant and uplifting sound to the morning as we gather in community. Then, come back at 4:00 pm for a special Celebration Jazz Concert featuring an exciting program of inspiring and spirited selections. Following the concert, all are invited to stay for a light reception and time of fellowship. Whether you join us for worship, the concert, or both, we welcome you to come celebrate the gift of music and community with us!

Welcome to Chris! Our New Day Custodian.

I'm married to a Special Ed. Teacher (West St. Paul) and have 2 adult children (19 & 26) I also have one Grandson named Kingston who's 2 1/2. In my spare time I enjoy photography, being out in nature and traveling. I have spent the majority of my life living in Como Park.



Chris joined the staff on April 21 and will be working Monday – Friday and a few weekend hours as needed. Please be sure to say hello and introduce yourself if you see Chris in the building. During the transition period our evening custodian, Bean, and several volunteers stepped up to help with keeping our church clean. We are so grateful to them for this work. Thanks all!

CYF Ministry Staffing Update:

The Discovery Team submitted their final Discovery Report to council in March, after 5 months of discernment work. Our Search Team will begin meeting in May, with the goal of continuing the work of the Discovery Team and eventually hiring a full-time Children Youth and Family Ministry Director. Special thanks to our Search Team members, and blessings on their work this summer:

Pastor Marty Wyatt, Nancy Brown, Rachel Dickinsen, Lily Dullea, Nico Gonzalez, Ben Guengerich, Doug Richter, and Priya Storlie.

Feed My Starving Children

YOU DID IT! Once again, RLC demonstrated that many hands are "All Hands on Hope."

On Wednesday, April 22nd through Sunday, April 26th groups and individuals from Roseville Lutheran Church went to Incarnation Lutheran Church to participate in the All Hands on Hope Mobile Pack for Feed My Starving Children. Some packed meals, some worked the warehouse (like Pastor Kent), some labeled bags, some made the boxes, and some worked as specialized volunteers. A huge THANK YOU no matter what your role, how many hours you helped and/or your financial support, YOU made a difference in this amazing partnership that RLC has had with Incarnation for many years. And most of all, you helped reach the goal of packing 614,304 (actual 614,520) meals, which will feed 1,684 kids for a year. THANK YOU!!!!



If you took a photo of your group, family, or a fun selfie at the mobile pack, we'd love it if you'd share it! Photos can be emailed to Beth Jacobson: ebeth.jacobson27@gmail.com

Sunday Morning Coffee Update

For those that gather before the Sunday morning service, please note that coffee and water will be available for the summer months.



BILLION THANKS...

To the Preschool Cleanout Task Force for their MANY MANY HOURS to sort, pitch, clean, and NEATLY organize the Preschool items for sale or giveaway the beginning of May. The task of finding pieces of puzzles, animals for farms, and parts for toys seemed never ending for this tenacious group. The Preschool Sale provided other preschools and childcare providers reasonably priced items to be repurposed and gives RLC CYF ministry funds for future needs. Give a ROUND OF APPLAUSE to the following for their time and energy and organizational skills: Julie Hanson, Lori Haaland, Gena Mickley, Lorene Roste, & Heidi Gaedy.

RLC Reads Update

RLC Reads will meet again on Thursday, June 11, to select books for the next season. All are invited to suggest a title whether it is new to the best seller lists or an oldy but goody, and whether it is history, fiction, or otherwise. Gather in the 'Coffee Shop' area near the church office at 7:00 pm. Questions? Email erik.wolhowe@gmail.com.

Adult Education

The Summer Psalms series begins on the first Sunday in June with a line up of excellent speakers.

June 7: Doug Richter

June 14: Marybeth Hatteberg

June 21: Jeff Johnson

June 28: Linda Nelson

Please note the NEW time slot for Adult Ed. It will be 9:00 for the month of June.

The next sessions of Adult Ed will be in September, no sessions in July and August. Have a great Summer.

Participate in Pride

We will participate in the Twin Cities Pride Festival again this year with a booth in Loring



Park June 27-28. You can sign up here to help staff the booth. If you are interested in helping design the booth before the festival, please call or email Pastor Marty. This is a great opportunity to meet our neighbors, talk to people, and invite others into community!

Sign up by scanning the QR code:



Website Development Team Update

We've made strong progress in forming our Website Development Team and building a solid foundation. The team includes Andy Walz, Trupti Storlie, Dawn Holmberg, Julie Wendland, and Dan Meyer, bringing a diverse mix of perspectives and expertise.

In recent weeks, the group has aligned on goals, identified key priorities, and begun shaping ideas around structure, content, and user experience. The focus is on creating a site that is both functional and welcoming.

Next steps include defining roles, gathering stakeholder input, and outlining a timeline. More updates to come.



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Finance Committee Update

Finance Committee Update (As of 4/30/2026)

Fiscal Year July 2025 to June 2026

Operating Budget (July-April)

	Actual	Budget	Budget vs. Actual	
Offerings	980,805	979,750	1,055	Offerings more than budgeted
Other Receipts	90,635	78,683	11,952	Other Receipts more than budgeted
Total Income	1,071,440	1,058,433	13,006	Total Income more than budgeted
Expenses	921,470	1,122,358	(200,889)	Expenses less than budgeted
Totals	149,970	(63,925)	213,895	Cash flow positive year to date

With April reports we again see a positive number in the budget and hopefully actuals will continue to run a surplus. We are running a surplus in Actuals due to staffing expenses still running lower than budgeted due to open positions.

On line giving: Go to <https://www.rosevillelutheran.org/giving/offering>

If you need help signing into an account you already set up, give

Tammy (ext. 232) or Nancy (ext. 203) a call to get a new password