# First Sunday in Advent November 30, 2025



Pastor's Corner for November 30-December 6

Who Is This? (Matthew 21:1-11)

Imagine you're on a walk, enjoying the Christmas lights, and you pass by a plain front yard holding only a single light shining on a manger scene. The light glows so that you can only see the manger itself, all other characters fade in darkness behind the newborn Jesus. One of your group stops and pointing to the feeding trough asks, "Who is that?" How do you respond? Do you say it's baby Jesus, or is He something more?

When you come to church on the first Sunday of Advent, you'll hear the Palm Sunday story. It might sound out of place, but it's a story that echoes the whole Salvation Story. As the crowds saw Jesus riding into Jerusalem the whole city asks, "Who is this?" (Matthew 21:10). That's always the question. Everywhere

Jesus goes, everywhere His story is told, people are asking that question. When Jesus rode into Jerusalem, some in the crowd missed the mark, only calling Him a prophet (Mattew 21:11).

During His ministry, Jesus asked His disciples who people thought He was and they said, "Some say John the Baptizer, others say Elijah, and other say Jeremiah or one of the prophets." Again, they miss the mark. As Jesus stands on trial before Pilate, he asks Jesus, "Are you the King of the Jews?" and he too misses the mark. Jesus can't just be a prophet. He can't just be King of the Jews. He must be more.

We can only imagine the questions running through Joseph's mind when he finds out Mary is pregnant. "Who is this?" probably isn't even the start of all his questions. "Is this just some kid? Is he a mistake? A problem I have to deal with?"

Who is this? How would you answer? He must be more than a baby Jesus. He is more than a prophet that tells us great things to come. He is more than the King of one people. He is more than a mistaken identity of one who comes with nice rules. He must be more or He isn't worth celebrating.

Who is this? "This is the Jesus, the Saving One, God with us!" the angel told Joseph (Matthew 1:20-23). "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God!" Peter declared (Matthew 16:116). "This is the Son of David who comes in the name of the Lord!" the crowds shouted (Matthew 21:9). "This was the Son of God!" the centurion confessed (Matthew 27:54). "This is Jesus, the crucified and risen One!" the angel proclaimed (Matthew 28:5-6).

When you see the manger scene, there lies the Christ Child who has lived, healed, taught, died, and rose for you, me, and all people. This Advent season, we celebrate with all creation who this is. This is Jesus, the Savior of all people who comes to live with us!

Your excited brother in Christ, Pastor Zach Sarrault

Please note, there will be no Sunday School for children and adults this week.

**Prayers of the Church** 



For full listing of the Advent services, click here.

<sup>\*</sup>Live stream available on YouTube @ResurrectionLutheranCary.

Please note, some Wednesday evening activities will operate on an adjusted schedule for Advent. There will be no dinners served in December.

# Reaching Out with the Love of Christ to All People through Advent Offerings

Each season of Advent, RLC designates ministries to support in reaching out with Christ's love to all people. This year, the following organizations were chosen:

#### Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels of Wake County provide our homebound and senior neighbors with a nutritious hot meal, along with a check-in and visit. Their services provide the opportunity for seniors to continue living well nourished, independent and safe lives, in their own homes and communities.

Learn More: Meals on Wheels Wake County

#### Warmth for Wake

Warmth for Wake is a seasonal energy assistance outreach program that is sponsored by Wake County Health & Human Services. The goal of the program is to provide assistance to low-income residents of Wake County during the coldest winter months with firewood or space heaters.

Learn More: Warmth for Wake

Please use the Advent Offering envelopes or indicate 'Advent Offering' on memo of checks.

# **Adult Bible Study Opportunities**

### **Sunday Morning**

No Holy Communion
Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am ~ October 26-December 21
Fellowship Hall
lan Glenn

Using Luther's Small Catechism and the Bible, this class will be focused on the Lutheran understanding of Holy Communion, where it comes from in the Bible, and what we can learn about it from the early church writers. There will also be discussion on the similarities and differences between the Lutheran understanding of the sacrament with those of other Christian denominations in an effort to help prepare participants for discussions that might arise in day-to-day life. It is hoped that participants will gain a richer understanding and appreciation for the sacrament of the Lord's Supper and how it has shaped Christian worship throughout the centuries. Bring your Bible and Luther's Small Catechism. Some will be available.

# **Tuesday Morning**

Tuesday Morning Bible Study
Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 am ~ September 2-May 19
Fellowship Hall
Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Pastor Zach Sarrault

God gives His Word to instruct, guide, and bless our lives. The Scripture lessons in worship offer a menu every week to build up the people of God in faith and hope. We will study the lessons for the following Sunday, and as we do, we expect that this Word will enrich and edify our community prayer, faith, and servant life in Christ.

#### Wednesday Evening ~ Supper & Scripture

# No Christian Parenting During Advent

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm

Room 240, Family Life Center

Erika Hulse, Children and Family Ministry Director, and Pastor Zach Sarrault

Women of the Word (WOW)
Everlasting: Peaks, Valleys, and Grace in the Psalms
Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship at 6:45 pm)
September 3-December 10
Fellowship Hall
Jamee Thieme

All women are invited to this discussion-based study using the book, *Everlasting: Peaks*, *Valleys*, *and Grace in the Psalms* by Christina Hergenrader. Feel free to jump in, even though we already started!

Anxious. Worthy. Ashamed. Nostalgic. Lonely. Secure. This is just a handful of emotions we observe in the Psalms – and in our day-to-day lives, too. In this women's Bible study, you'll be guided through 25 psalms, digging into their genres, perplex emotions, glimpses of Jesus, and more.

Men's Ministry
Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship at 6:45 pm)
Room 245, Family Life Center
Tom Gebbia

On **December 3 and 10**, Larry Cameron will be presenting to our group some poems about the nativity of Christ. John Donne and John Milton were both 17th century British poets and prominent figures in the current affairs of their day. John Donne served as Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral while John Milton occupied a cabinet post in Oliver Cromwell's Puritan government following the English civil war. Their poems may cause us to reflect in new ways on the events surrounding the birth of Christ.

Sacred Marriage
Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm
October 29-December 17
Room 251, Family Life Center
Pastor Alan Shaw

Whether you are married now or plan to be someday, this workshop will look at marriage as much more than a union between two people. It is a spiritual discipline ideally suited to help you know God more fully and intimately. *Sacred Marriage* shifts the focus from marital enrichment to spiritual enrichment in ways that can help you love your mate more.

Whether it is delightful or difficult, your marriage can become a doorway to a closer walk with God. Everything about your marriage — from the history you and your spouse create, to the love you share, to the forgiveness you both offer and seek — is filled with the capacity to help you grow in Christ's character. Books will be provided.

View the Christian Education Booklet, Fall 2025, Session 2

# Last Weekend! The Christmas trees are here!

The Christmas Store is an outreach of United Church at 820 East Williams Street (Hwy. 55) in Apex, NC and exists to provide gifts at Christmas to children in low-income families by engaging volunteers in meaningful community service.

The Christmas trees are in the Narthex and Family Life Center lobby. Please take a tag, purchase your item(s), and return them unwrapped with their tags <u>by Sunday, November 30</u>. All toys collected will go to the Christmas Store. New this year, cards on the trees have a QR code you can scan to order toys to be delivered directly to United Church.



The Christmas Store will be open on December 13 for families to shop. Volunteers are needed at United Church to help with parking, greeting, gift wrapping, shopping, and more. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer to work at the Christmas Store, please go to this link: christmasstorenc.com/volunteers

Contact the Human Care Committee (Jan Boyer or Dara Linn) through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).



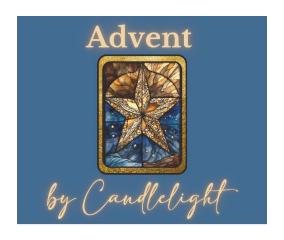
Parent Information Sessions will be **Sunday, November 30** at 12:15 pm and **Wednesday, December 3** at 5:15 pm. Both sessions will be held in Room 251, Family Life Center; only need to attend one.



RSVP to Marcia Shaw through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

# Preparing for Jesus: An Advent Tea

Saturday, December 6 from 12:00-2:00 pm



# We are moving to the Family Life Center!

Look forward to joining our adult sisters-in-Christ for a time of fellowship, encouragement, and faith-building, as we prepare our hearts and minds for this upcoming Advent season.

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



# **Council Candidates**

The six candidates are listed below:



Joe Bastante

My wife Ginny and I, along with our adult children Joseph and Sarah, have been members of Resurrection Lutheran Church for 15 years — ever since we moved to North Carolina. Both raised Catholic, we found our spiritual home in the LCMS and have loved being part of this church family.

I've served on the Council both as a member and as Secretary, and have held leadership positions at other churches as well. At RLC, I've also contributed as a Worship Assistant, Bible study leader, and participant in the blind ministry and men's group. I have completed Stephen Ministry training though I'm not currently active.

With a background in technology leadership and experience managing complex organizations, my interest would be to apply these learnings to strengthen our church's unity and readiness to fulfill our mission.



**Stephanie Beckett** 

Stephanie Beckett is married to Grant and is the mother of Tristan (18), who is a high school senior at The Ravenscroft School. She is currently a stay-at-home mom whose career background is in social research, specializing in program evaluation.

She began attending RLC 2 years ago and has been a member for a year. She enjoys volunteering at The Coffeehouse and attending Tuesday morning Bible study. She leads the Moms in Prayer group with other moms from her son's school. She is also involved in a women's Bible study with moms from the prayer group. She feels at home at RLC and is especially grateful for the church's faithfulness to God's word and adherence to a biblical worldview and faithfulness to its principles.



**Thomas Bolling** 

Gayle and I recently moved to Raleigh from Northfield, IL, a northern suburb of Chicago, in 2021. We joined RLC soon after. Our son and daughter in-law live near NC State with our 2 grandsons. Our second son Tommy lived in Denver but recently moved to Apex.

I have an engineering degree from Michigan State and worked in the manufacturing industry for over 30 years. I was president/owner of an industrial machinery company. I have done general business consulting in the Midwest, but for the most part I am currently retired.

My service to the community includes:

- . 10+ years council member and president of Grace Lutheran Church, Northbrook, IL. Grace is a small congregation with a preschool. I contributed to the conversion of the preschool to a fully licensed, full time, Early Christian Child Development Center and Preschool serving infants to pre-K, year around. Approximately 90 students.
- . Commissioner, Village of Northfield Planning and Zoning Board. 7 yrs.
- . Northfield Village Caucus. 8 yrs.
- . Board member of our current HOA (Boulder Creek). Project manager for the association's new website. 3 yrs.
- . Most importantly, member of the RLC Council. 2yrs. I have been happy to serve as a council member with this spiritually guided and talented leadership group.
- \* I currently serve on the Facilities Maintenance Team representing the council. As you may know, the team has been executing key improvements with the congregation's support.
- \* Also, the council has initiated a ministry capital campaign study to address the high priority needs of our ministry and mission. I was involved with the selection of consultants and now act as the coordinator of the relationship with the consultant group.

Lastly, Gayle and I are so happy to be members of this church with its focus on the Gospel. Look at the church calendar and you will see the Holy Spirit! "By grace through faith in Christ we reach out to all with His love and build each other up for service"- Our Mission!

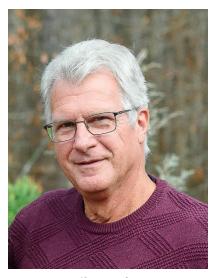


**David Duncklee** 

I have lived in North Carolina for over 55 years with 23 of those in Cary. Pam and I are currently in our 12th year living in Chatham County near Jordan Lake. We have been married almost 43 years with five children (four attended Resurrection Lutheran Preschool) and 11 grandchildren. We joined Resurrection Lutheran Church early this year to worship at a church more in line with our morals and beliefs.

We were married in a Lutheran Church in Raleigh and were both members for 13 years. While there, I served in several leadership roles for the congregation, including as council president and head of a pastoral call committee. A graduate of NC State University, my 41-year career as a consulting hydrogeologist concentrated on the assessment and remediation of contaminated soil and groundwater sites. I co-founded and led a private environmental firm based in Cary for 24 years.

My goals with council would be to serve the Lord, the congregation, and our pastors; preserve what brought us here; and continue to implement council's current efforts.



Mike Hahne

Thanks for considering me for Church Council. If you choose, I will be happy to serve another term.

I was born and raised in Evansville, IN and have been a lifelong Missouri Synod Lutheran. My home church, Trinity Lutheran Darmstadt, also had a K-8 grade school where I attended and was confirmed. I graduated from Purdue University with an Industrial Management degree and worked in multiple industries until retiring in 2020 from PPD (a Clinical Research Organization) as an IT Project Manager. We have been members at RLC since 1993.

My lovely wife Sharon and I have been married for 50 years and have two daughters, five granddaughters, and two marvelous sons-in-law, who we love to spend time with. We have enjoyed lots of travel in the past few years in our camper; having made trips out west, northeast, and multiple stays in the Carolinas.

I have served a number of years at RLC, including as chairperson on the Lay Ministry Standing Committee, and the prior Lay Ministry Committee (pre reorganization) in support of our church staff. I am also an active member of RLC Men's Group.

My approach to organizational involvement is to seek collaborative progressive

solutions to ever changing situations to stay up to date and fresh in our approaches and policies. If so chosen, I believe that I have the experience, capability, and willingness to continue my role as Treasurer and to serve the congregation on the Church Council.



**Lori Jannings** 

My name is Lori Jannings. I am the youngest of 4 children to my parents, Darrell and Anita Moore. I was born in Rochester, MN and was baptized at Redeemer Lutheran Church. Both of my parents have always been Lutherans and I was raised as such as well. We moved to San Jose, CA in the summer of 1974. We attended Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran church there from 1974-1984. I graduated high school in San Jose in May 1984 and then my parents were looking for a place to retire. We moved to Cary, NC in October 1984 and that is when I became a member of Resurrection Lutheran Church. My sister stayed in California with her husband and 3 kids (all grown now) and my two brothers moved to NC with me and my parents. The oldest is my brother Darrell. He and his wife Cyndi (also members of RLC), have two kids who are grown and married. You will see most of us at the Saturday night service. My other brother, Dean, passed away in 2000 and is in the columbarium overlooking Lochmere golf course with Pastor Paul.

I attended NC State University starting in computer science and had a COOP with IBM for a few semesters. Eventually graduated Magna Cum Laud in May 1990 with a degree in Psychology/Human Resource Development, with a minor

in Sociology.

I was on the RLC Coed Softball team in the '80's and in the Choir and part of the RLC Worship Committee in the '90's. In the summer of 1990, I started working at the American Airline's reservation office in Cary. I was married to a member of RLC in October 1992 and had a son, Andrew, in May of 1997. He is now married and lives in Apex. In later 1999, I started working as a Medical Staffing Recruiter and Account Manager and am still in this role today.

In about 2005, I began Lay Reading at RLC and around 2006 became a part of the RLC Lay Ministers (Worship Assistants). My family and I regularly attend the Saturday night service. I am the current Vice President for the RLC Council, the Chair for the Lay Ministry Standing Committee (LMSC), lead for the 6:00 pm Saturday night servants and participated in the RLC Focus Group in early 2020, pertaining to church services times and coverage. If elected, I would plan to continue to be the lead for Saturday nights, the Chair for the LMSC, in addition to being on the Council.

I have been a Lutheran all my life. I am a huge believer that our Lord Jesus Christ is our firm foundation and the Bible and Luther's teachings, are a compass for our morals and values. Serving the congregation has been a privilege that I have been blessed to be a part of for many years, and I know that I can continue to be an asset to the RLC Council as well. I believe in maintaining tradition but am also open to understanding others' perspectives.

I greatly appreciate being nominated and considered for such an important position. And look forward to continuing my service to RLC and its congregation.

# Special Announcement

As you may or may not know, Resurrection Lutheran Church is currently considering a capital campaign to raise the funds needed to address our congregation's capital and financial ministry needs. As a preliminary step to this

effort, we are now conducting a Fundraising Feasibility & Planning Study to obtain member feedback and assess our financial potential.

As you already know, next week, December 7, following the 11:00 am service, we will be gathering for our semiannual Voters' Meeting. Since many of our church members will be in attendance at this meeting, we thought it would be good to share a brief presentation about the current status of the Preliminary Study.

Please come, listen to the information presented, and offer any comments, questions, or suggestions for a potential campaign that you might have. The meeting will be at 12:30 pm, Sunday, December 7, in the main sanctuary and all members are encouraged to attend.

## Following Naomi Widow's Group

**Christmas Luncheon** 

This year, our Christmas Luncheon will be held at Lugano's Restaurant on **Thursday**, **December 11** at 2:00 pm. Hope to see you there!

Contact Eydee Persson through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).



# Surviving the Holidays

Join us for a Surviving the Holidays seminar and discover helpful ways to deal with the hurt of divorce and separation during the holiday season.

### **Resurrection Lutheran Church**

100 W. Lochmere Drive, Cary NC 27518

Sunday, December 14, 2025 at 2:00 pm

Room 151 in Family Life Center

Register here: find.divorcecare.org/ministries/178938



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Contact Sue Campau through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@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."

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



Stephen Ministry is a listening ministry focused on confidential care for those struggling with any number of life issues from grief to depression to loneliness to anxiety. We are there to walk alongside and support.

And we need you to prayerfully consider becoming a Stephen Minister. If you are up for the challenge, the next class starts **January 4, 2026**. Ask the pastors

to link you up with a Stephen Leader or email us at <a href="stephenministry@rlcary.org">stephenministry@rlcary.org</a>. We'll see you in class!

# The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

A big thank you and all the Glory to God for another year of the Coffeehouse at Resurrection! We do not have a Coffeehouse in December, so our next event will be on **Friday**, **January 9** in the Family Life Center when we will be starting our 24th year. Come join us as a volunteer.



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

**Children and Family Ministry** 



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



Register: bit.ly/47q9s92

# **Youth Ministry**

Middle School and High School

### November 30:

No Sunday School for Middle and High School No High School Youth Group

Service Project ~ Decorating the Church for Christmas Sunday, November 30 at 12:30-2:30 pm Open to all Middle School and High School Youth



Questions? Contact Jenny Piontek, Youth Director, at <a href="mailto:jenny.piontek@rlcary.org">jenny.piontek@rlcary.org</a> or 919-851-7248, ext. 24.

**Resurrection Lutheran Preschool (RLP)** 

#### **Announcement**

As some of you may know, I became a grandma in September and I am excited to take on this new role! It is a blessing to have my daughter, Emily, and her family close by in Raleigh.

After many amazing years at RLP, I have decided to retire at the end of the preschool year in June of 2026. This decision was both difficult and easy. As my daughter transitions back into her job as a nurse, I will be taking care of my grandson, James. RLP families and the RLP staff are family to me. The Preschool has been a huge part of my life over the past 26 years - as a parent, a teacher, Assistant Director, and as the Director for the past nine years. So, this decision was not an easy one.

This being said, the Preschool Board and I have begun the search for the next Preschool Director. The Board and I will be thoughtful and collaborative in this process. The staff and I remain dedicated to providing the same high level of care and education to our families as we have over the past 40+ years. RLP will continue fulfilling its mission of providing a loving, safe, enriching, and Christian environment for children and their families.

#### - Diane Hooper



#### **Employment Opportunity**

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool (RLP) Board is seeking an individual to fill the position of Preschool Director. They will carry on RLP's mission of providing a

loving, safe, enriching, and Christian environment for children and their families.

This person should have the following:

- a passion for working with and experience associated with preschool age children and families,
- 3-5 years minimum experience associated with preschool children and families
- Bachelors or Associates with an Early Childhood Education focus (preferred but not required)
- the ability and desire to lead and work within a team environment
- strong organizational and delegation skills
- leadership and administration skills
- computer and technology skills
- membership at Resurrection Lutheran Church or become member

Application deadline is December 1, 2025.

If interested, please contact the RLP Board at <u>rlpboard2526@rlpcary.org</u> or Diane Hooper at director@rlpcary.org.

**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 +



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# **Resurrection Lutheran School**





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# **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>.

# **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.

# This Week's Visual Faith Sheet

# **Weekly Attendance**

# **In-Person Worship Attendance:**

Saturday, November 22 6:00 pm - 47

Sunday, November 23

8:00 am - 115

9:30 am - 201

11:00 am - 94

**Total In-Person Worship: 457** 

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

Sunday, November 23 8:00 am - 165 11:00 am - 37

**Total Online Views: 202** 

# Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

### October 2025

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$471,200.00 Actual Giving to Date: \$493,736.00

Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$ 22,536.00

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$506,666.67 Actual Expenses to Date: \$462,683.00 Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$43,983.67

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

**Church Calendar** 



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#### Prayers of the Church – November 30, 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, Paul Batt,
- \*Geoffrey Wiggins, Caitlyn, Mark Zimmerman, Justus Nicolai, Alex Fernandez

#### **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, Emily, \*Alison Whatley, Joe Huley, Lyn Becksford

#### **For Expectant Moms**

\*Renee Guerin, \*Alyssa Shaw, \*Melaney Unger Campos, Hannah Peterson, Sarah Hulse

#### Those Prayed for on November 23, 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
- For \*Janet Bowling, 18 years of Bookkeeping Volunteering
- For Margaret Hyatt, 30 years of Service at Resurrection Lutheran Church
- For \*Diane Hooper, 28 years of Service at Resurrection Lutheran Preschool
- New Baby, Sullivan Edward Champion, Son of Leah and Justin Champion, Grandson of \*Bob and \*MaryAnn Unger
- Cristina's Birthday, Lori's Birthday

#### **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, Kathy Stegall
- \*Greta Nelson

- Pastor William Otto, Cancer Treatment and Surgery
- \*Pam Dickson
- \*Stephanie Ford
- Betty, and Others with Dementia
- \*Mindy Stephani, Healing and Restoration
- Terrie Johnson, Mother of \*Jen Kirby
- \*Alison Whatley
- Bryon, Recovery from Brain Injury
- Carrie Heilman, Cancer Treatment, Daughter-In-Law of \*John and \*Virginia Heilman
- Clare Roberts, Recovery, Mother of \*Michelle Wood
- \*Charlie Shiel
- \*Charlotte Raines
- Cynthia Wyse, Recovery
- Brian Gorneau, Recovery from Accident at Home
- \*Fern Frusti
- Deb, Sister of \*Pam Dickson
- Tyler, Recovering from Burns, and His Family Supporting Him
- Belle and Hayes, Childhood Cancer
- \*Clinton Peterson
- Kathy Mitchell
- Khari Otten
- Tommi
- Ryan
- Henry, Grandson of \*Mark and \*Pat Otten
- Makayla
- Carli
- Kyler
- Dee Dee Morris, Healing at Home
- \*Yvette Crawley, Healing and Recovery
- Lorrie Muller, Cancer Treatment
- \*Cheryl Roth, Healing
- \*Lois Haertling, Comfort and Healing
- Don, Tatiana, Fran, Knox, Matt, Brianne, Nove, Kathy, Carol, James, Gary, Walter, Gene, Lois, Dennis, Mark, Jackie, Bob, Gaylon, Karl, Linda, Ricky, Olevia, Larry, Julie, Griffin, Carolyn, Lyon, Gabby, Carrie, Bill, Virginia, Dennis, Addison, Garrett, Steve, Herbi, Jeri, Joe, Julie, Jake, Amanda, Fatma, Barbara, Jadis

#### **For Comfort**

- Family and Friends of \*Helen Campbell, Mother of \*Cheryl Roth
- Family and Friends of Taskey Family
- Family and Friends of Stroud Family

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

- Persecuted Christians, Especially Nigeria
- People Around the World Affected by Natural Disasters and Weather Events
- Families and Businesses Recovering in Western NC

- Safety and Thanksgiving for People Helping with Recovery Efforts
- People of Ukraine, and All Those Who Serve to Support Them
- People of Israel and the People of Gaza, Peace in the Middle East
- All Those Supporting Family Members with Caregiving Needs
- Annie Ruth Ford, Mother of \*Dennis Ford
- \*Eric and \*Jill Hammergren
- \*Jan Wozniak
- Jan and Rich Bloom
- \*Ginny and \*Ed Koren
- \*Meredith A.
- \*Fran Xenakis
- \*Carol Mitchell
- Our Government and Leaders
- Those Enduring Marriage Struggles and Families in Turmoil
- Those Seeking Jobs and Career Changes, and Federal Workers, Especially Rose, Jamie
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- Dorothy Conners
- \*Jim and \*Thelma Rhodes
- \*Anita Moore
- \*Rundle Family
- \*Marty and \*Mindy Stephani
- Marion Cecconi, Mother of \*Lecia Roberts
- \*Kathy Rihani
- Those in Process of Selling and Purchasing Homes
- Jeri Breitsprecher, Mother of \*Sue Campau, Recovery and Guidance for Her Family
- For Hiring an Office Assistant at Resurrection Lutheran Church
- For the Director Search at Resurrection Lutheran Preschool
- Those Suffering Mental Illness
- Peace Between Brothers
- Protection from Manipulation and Deception

#### 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 Alan Shaw, Intentional Interim Pastor at Peace Lutheran Church, Goldsboro NC
- SMP Vicar Christopher Reed, SMP Training and Vicarage, and His Family
- Pastor Jon Richter, Discernment in Serving
- Resurrection Lutheran Church and Schools Staff
- Area Pastors and Schools Staff
- Our Stephen Ministers
- Our Caring Presence Ministry
- Surviving the Holidays Program, December 14
- Divorce Care Program, Beginning Early 2026

#### **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
- Eastern NC Lutheran Via de Cristo

#### **For Our Missionaries**

• JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia

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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.

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