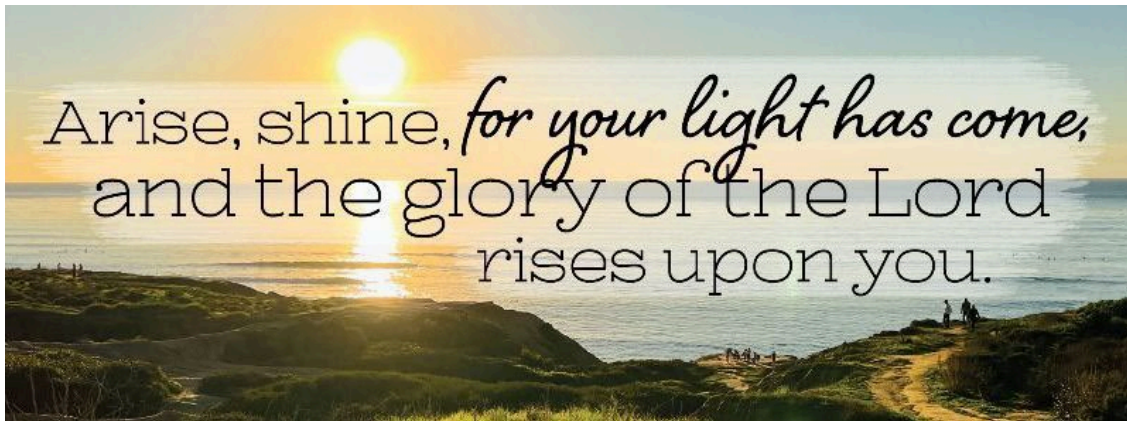


The Epiphany of Our Lord

January 4, 2026



Pastor's Corner for January 4-10

Live in the Light (Isaiah 60:1-7)

Are you excited for the New Year? A New Year brings lots of excitement because it holds the unknown. It is yet to be filled with any real happenings; it is only full of empty pages yearning to be filled with the joy of new experiences. A whole 365 days of newness can be a lot of fun. Who knows what the New Year may bring? It can bring hope, joy, new experiences and teachings, goals fulfilled, the possibilities are endless! But at the same time, none of that may be true either. We need to approach the New Year with a Biblical lens.

For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples (Isaiah 60:2a)

You needn't have lived through too many New Years to know that just because the calendar changes all the darkness of the world will change too. Just like a New Year can hold excitement, it can also hold dread. In this New Year there will be disease, destruction, and disagreements. Political problems won't

magically disappear and the divisions in our families won't be magically undone. We will still lose loved ones this year and unknown sicknesses will upend our calendars. As Christians, we must not ignore the reality of living in a sinful world. Darkness is here and storms will come (Matthew 7:27), the question is, where is the hope amidst all the darkness and storms?

BUT the Lord will arise upon you, and His glory will be seen upon you (Isaiah 60:2b)

Looking at the New Year with a Biblical lens isn't just about being honest to the sinful reality of our world, it is about confessing the Truth that Christ has conquered that darkness, and we live with Him in the storms! In this New Year, in all its questions and unknowns, its fears and worries, its joys and excitements Christ, the Light of the world, still reigns victorious over all sin and evil and He is shining His Light upon you. Christ is the Light that has conquered darkness and the darkness cannot overcome it (John 1:5). This is true for the darkness in your life too.

Whatever darkness you find yourself in, Jesus Christ, the Light-filled Word, is shining upon you (Psalm 119:105; John 1:1). The joy of this New Year is the same joy that we find ourselves in every day. We belong to the King of kings and Lord of lords that has conquered darkness and has given us the inheritance of Light for all eternity! Praise be to Christ our Light! May you live in His light this New Year, as He guides you with the glory of His Light!

Your shined-upon brother in Christ,
Pastor Zach Sarrault

Prayers of the Church



It is with great sadness and in Christian love and hope that we announce that our brother in Christ, **Ed Koren**, was called to rest with Jesus on December 24, 2025. Our prayers are with his wife, Ginny, and their family at this time.

Arrangements for a Celebration of Life in Christ will be shared at a later date.

Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday Morning

New Christianity's Influence on American Literature

Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am ~ January 4-February 15

Fellowship Hall

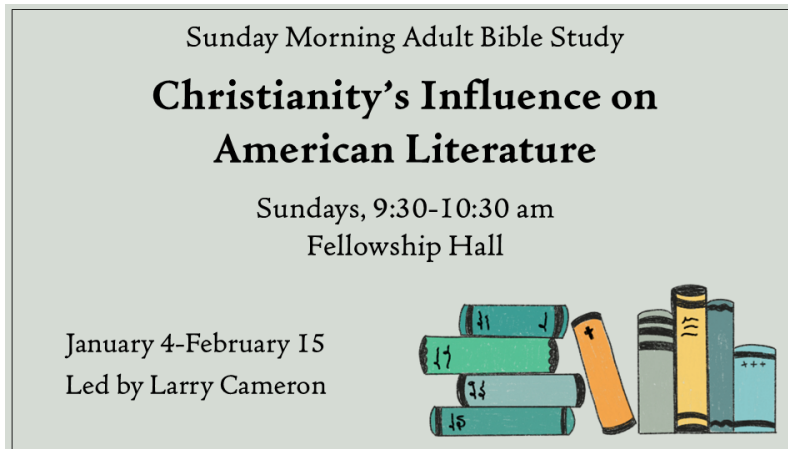
Larry Cameron

A nation's culture is defined in large part by its literature. Since many of our earliest settlers came seeking freedom to practice their Christian faith, much of what they wrote reflects a rich Biblical heritage. Writers in following generations continued that tradition.

We will examine poetry and prose selections from more than a dozen famous American writers, including Anne Bradstreet, John Greenleaf Whittier, Countee Cullen, Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Stephen Crane. This study will reveal how

widespread, and enduring has been the Bible's influence on our literature.

All materials will be provided in each session. Please bring your Bible as we trace the links between Scripture and each literary selection. 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

On Wednesdays, plan to join us for dinner, then stay for a variety of activities, including adult Christian education classes, Confirmation, youth events, and music ministry rehearsals! The first Supper & Scripture for Winter 2026 will be on **Wednesday, January 7**.

New Christian Parenting - The Spiritually Vibrant Home

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm ~ January 7-February 11

Room 240, Family Life Center

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

We all long for homes where we can thrive and flourish. What does it take to have a spiritually vibrant household? Don Everts invites us to contemplate what the Bible says about households and consider what a new research project has revealed by pulling back the curtains on everyday households of faith.

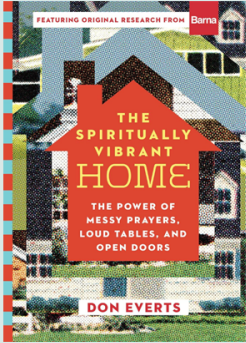
The project shows that some of the healthiest, most vibrant homes extend beyond the nuclear family and include people that may not be biologically related but feel like family. In the end you might just be surprised by how God wants to work in and through your household. And you'll have practical steps for nurturing a vibrant household of faith, no matter what stage of life you are in.

Christian Parenting

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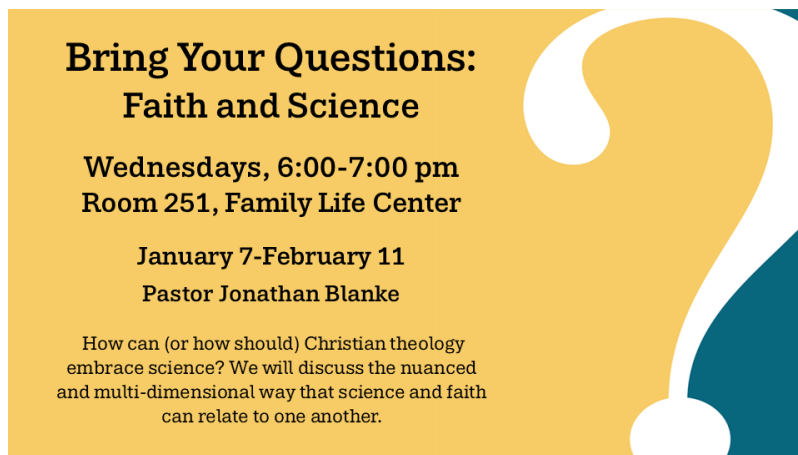
New Bring Your Questions: Faith and Science

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm ~ January 7-February 11

Room 251, Family Life Center - Pastor Jonathan Blanke

This class will be an in-depth examination of a topic introduced this past fall in Pastor Jonathan's "Bring Your Questions" class. How can (or how should) Christian theology embrace science?

Using the Bible, a report of the Commission on Theology and Church Relations of the LCMS (In Christ All Things Hold Together), and a variety of other Christian resources, we will discuss the nuanced and multi-dimensional way that science and faith can relate to one another. Topics included will be "Reading God's Word," "Science in the Christian School Classroom," "Theology of the Cross vs. Theology of Glory," and more.



New Women of the Word (WOW) - Chosen: A Study of Esther

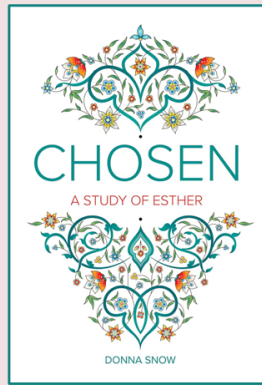
Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship at 6:45 pm) ~ January 7-May 20

Fellowship Hall

Jamee Thieme and Study Leader, Shane Jarvis

You're invited to study the Book of Esther. The setting: A lavish feast in the opulent Persian Empire. The event: a beauty contest. The plot: save a nation from annihilation. In this study, see that God's presence is ever abundant in your life, and that God gives you the courage to live fearlessly as Esther did. Learn the historical context of the Book of Esther to enrich your understanding of God's Word.

The book, *Chosen: A Study of Esther* by Donna Pyle is available for self-purchase. A Zoom group version of this will be available on Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm.



Women of the Word (WOW)
Chosen: A Study of Esther

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm

(Fellowship at 6:45 pm)

Fellowship Hall

January 7-May 20

Led by Shane Jarvis

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the courage to live fearlessly as Esther did.

New Men's Ministry - A Study in Ruth

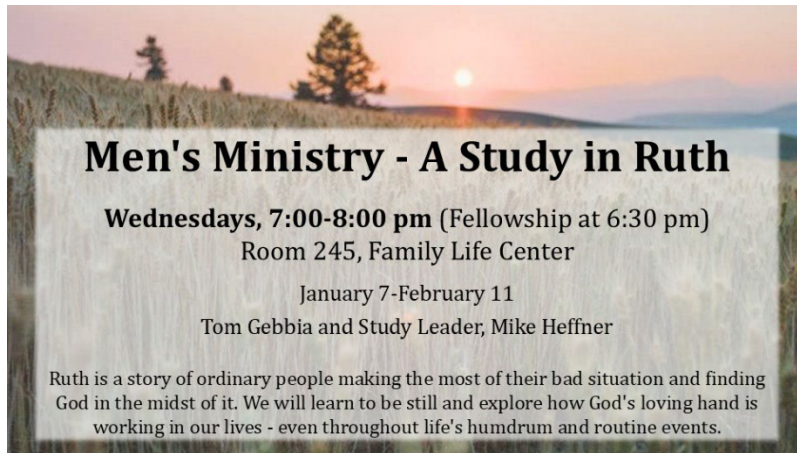
Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship at 6:30 pm) ~ January 7-February 11

Room 245, Family Life Center

Tom Gebbia and Study Leader, Mike Heffner

The book of Ruth tells an unforgettable tale of purity, faithfulness, innocence, loyalty, duty, and love. Yet it is set in dark times - during the period of the judges - which is best described as an era of political and religious decentralization, frequent warfare, moral decline, lawlessness, and spiritual apostasy. This is foreshadowed in the final verse of the book of Judges, which precedes Ruth, and tells us that "in those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes" (Judges 21:25).

Against this backdrop of strife and chaos, Ruth is a story of ordinary people making the most of their bad situation and finding God in the midst of it. The book of Ruth corrects the belief that our lives must be extraordinary to be useful. Whether our circumstances are difficult, seemingly mundane, or somewhere in between, God is always working His purposes out. Throughout this study, we will learn to be still and explore how God's loving hand is working in our lives - even in the midst of life's humdrum and routine events.



[View or Download the Christian Education Booklet, Winter 2026](#)

Any questions can be directed to the church office at office@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248.

Appalachia Service Project

The ASP Experience

Appalachia Service Project provides one of the most rewarding structured service opportunities in the nation – bringing thousands of volunteers from around the country to Central Appalachia to repair and replace homes for low-income families. [Check out this video!](#)

Since 1969, ASP has made homes warmer, safer, and drier for families and provided transformational service experiences for volunteers. Learn more: [Appalachia Service Project | Mission Trips in Appalachia](#)

Resurrection Lutheran Church participated in ASP Summer Mission Trips in years past. Kevin Kuhl (Former ASP Youth Team Member, Current Adult Leader for High School, Youth Ministry) is interested in reviving this popular servant event.

There will be two ASP Interest Meetings held on **Sunday, January 4** at 12:30 pm in Room 240, Family Life Center, and **Wednesday, January 7** at 7:00 pm in The Warehouse, Room 253, Family Life Center. You only need to attend one.



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

Wednesday Evening Dinners



Join us for dinner on **Wednesdays, 5:15-6:00 pm** in the Family Life Center Gym!

Dinners are prepared for all ages with a buffet style setup including dessert. There can be a vegetarian option upon request. Excellent opportunity to bond with family and friends, new and old, over a sit-down meal!

All are welcome! Online reservations at rlcary.org requested by 12:00 pm on Monday each week.

Suggested donation of \$7 per person or \$25 per family. Cash, check, or card payable at door. Note: If you plan to attend multiple dinners, you may reserve and pay in advance.

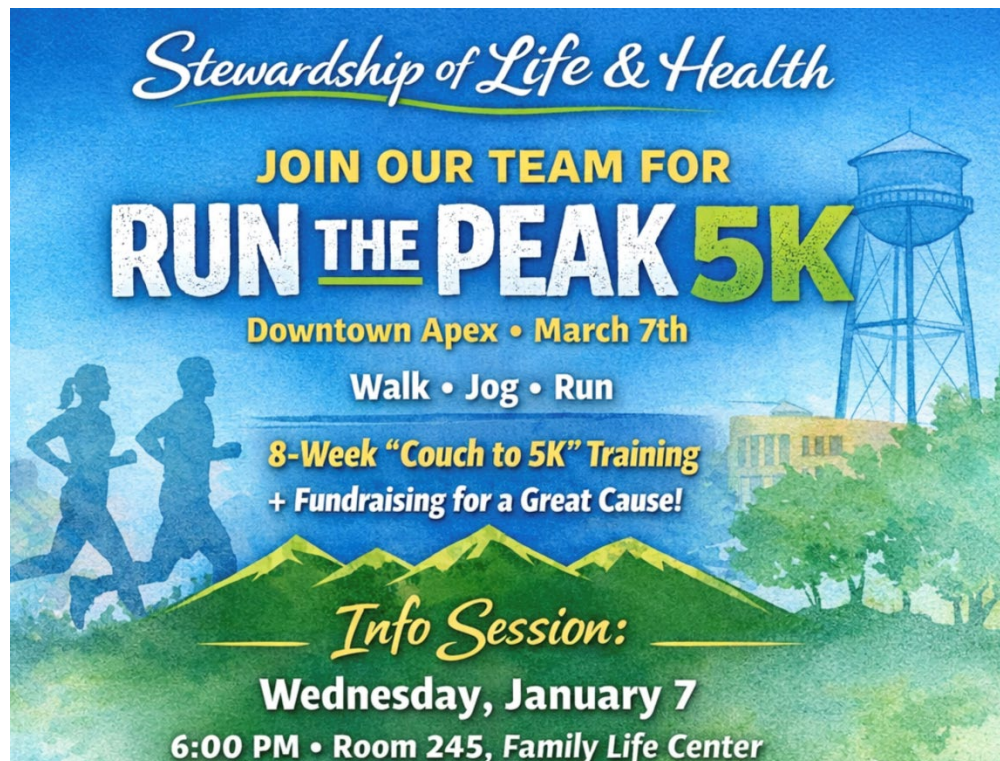
Stewardship of Life & Health

Looking for a meaningful way to get moving, build community, and challenge yourself over the next few months?

The Stewardship of Life & Health is forming a team to participate in the "Run the Peak" 5K in downtown Apex on March 7. We welcome all beginners, walkers, and experienced runners of all ages to be part of our team. We'll

provide a training plan, including an 8-week "Couch-to-5K" plan for beginners, and we'll raise funds together for the Resurrection Lutheran facilities.

Join us for an info session on **Wednesday, January 7** at 6:00 pm in Room 245, Family Life Center. Contact Anthony Johnson or Art Berger for details, or sign up to stay informed here: bit.ly/3KUN5A8.



Following Naomi

Following Naomi Widows' Group will be meeting on **Thursday, January 8** at 2:00 pm. Location to be determined. Faith Shaw will be speaking about women's health.

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

The Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

Friday, January 9

We thank all our volunteers who help us to have wonderful Coffeehouses! We couldn't do it without our faithful volunteers. Please consider joining us as a volunteer! Our special needs guests love to attend these events, and we need lots of volunteers to make them feel special and loved. The monthly Coffeehouses happen every 2nd Friday, January-November.

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 first Coffeehouse of our 24th season is **Friday, January 9** from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center. *The Lochnuts* will be performing for us.



Questions? Contact Brenda Peterson 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.

LCMS-U @ NCSU

After a successful end to a wonderful 2025 Fall Semester, LCMSU @ NCSU is looking forward to starting back up in January for the 2026 Spring Semester. Our first meeting will be on **Friday, January 16** from 7:00-8:30 pm at the NC State Study Center (201 Brooks Avenue, Raleigh). We will start with a time of fellowship filled with games and snacks before closing the night with "Evening Prayer" with Holy Communion. Pastor Shaw from Resurrection Lutheran Church will be joining us again for this meeting.

Our second meeting will be on **Friday, January 30** from 7:00-8:30 pm at the NC State Study Center (201 Brooks Avenue, Raleigh). We will have an extended period of food and fellowship before closing the night with "A Brief Service of the Word".

If you or someone you know is interested in joining us, please reach out to [Jonathan Madler](#) or Pastor Alan Shaw (alan.shaw@rlcary.org).



LCMSU @ NCSU is the local chapter of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod college outreach program, LCMSU (lcms.org/how-we-serve/national/campus-ministry). We meet twice each month for fellowship and worship. We understand that "College is tough, you need Jesus." LCMSU @ NCSU provides the opportunity to join with fellow LCMS college students to support each other and provide a church connection. It is open to any college age student who is attending NC State, UNC, Duke, or another local or online college.

Children & Family Ministry News January 2026

Important Dates:

January 7 - Kidz Live 6-7 pm
January 11 - Sunday School resumes 9:30-10:30 am
January 31 - Family Service Project



First Responder Service Project

Saturday, January 31

10:30 am

Fellowship Hall

Families contribute snack items, build snack baskets for local first responders then deliver them.

JOIN US
FOR

Sunday School



**Sundays,
9:30-10:30 am**

Preschool - Room 132 Kindergarten-1st Grade - Room 135
2nd-3rd Grade - Room 131 4th-5th Grade - Room 133
6th-12th Grade - The Warehouse, Room 253

All classes are held in the Family Life Center.

First Communion Classes

Who: 5th grade students
When: Wednesdays, January 7 - February 11
Time: 7-8 pm
Where: FLC room 251



Questions:
tyler.timmegmail.com

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

Youth Ministry
Middle School and High School

Sunday, January 4:

No Sunday School for Middle and High School, 9:30-10:30 am

No High School Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 pm

ASP Interest Meeting, 12:30 pm (Room 240)

Wednesday, January 7:

Middle School Youth Group, 6:00-7:00 pm

ASP Interest Meeting, 7:00 pm



All events, unless noted, held in The Warehouse, Room 253, Family Life Center.

Questions? Contact Jenny Piontek, Youth Director,
at jenny.piontek@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248, ext. 24.

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

Dear RLC Families,

Your support and prayers have been appreciated during the time of the search for the next Director at Resurrection Lutheran Preschool (RLP).

The RLPreschool Board, along with myself, Jodi (Assistant Director), Pastor Jonathan, and Mike Haertling are overjoyed to share the news that **Elizabeth Lynnes** has been selected as our new Director-Elect for RLP. This decision was reached after much thoughtful consideration and prayers.

Beginning in January, Elizabeth will start working closely alongside me throughout the remainder of the preschool year. This collaborative transition period will ensure that the values, traditions, and high standards of RLP continue. This time period will also provide both stability and continuity for RLP's children, families, and staff.

The Staff of RLP is looking forward to the coming months and the wonderful things ahead for our RLP community!

As always, I hope y'all will reach out with any questions or concerns.

Blessings and Happy New Year!

Diane Hooper

RLPreschool Director

From Elizabeth Lynnes:

I am truly honored to have been chosen as the Director-Elect of Resurrection Lutheran Preschool. As we all know, RLP is a very special place, and I do not take this opportunity lightly. I am excited to serve the preschool in this new role

and to follow in the footsteps of Diane (RLP Director Fall 2016- Present) and Cheri Spitz (RLP Director 1986-Spring 2016), whose leadership has shaped the loving community we have today. I'd love to share a little bit about myself with you.

I am a mom to two girls, ages 7 and 11, and I am currently in my fourth year of teaching at RLP. During my time here, I have served as a floater, substitute, 4-year-old teacher, and Transitional Kindergarten teacher. Before joining the RLP family, my background was in educational administration. I received my BBA in Management from Radford University in 2007, graduating Magna Cum Laude.

I deeply value the principles of Resurrection Lutheran and am grateful for the privilege of helping carry forward the legacy of this preschool. My hope is to serve with grace, gratitude, and partnership. I look forward to working alongside Diane and our incredible staff to ensure the continued strength of the core values that make RLP such a wonderful place for children and families.

With gratitude,
Elizabeth Lynnes



RESURRECTION LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL

Invites you to

TRANSITIONAL-KINDERGARTEN (TK)
Informational Sessions

TK TEACHERS Session

Thursday, January 8th @12:30 pm

TK Room #112

Opportunity for conversation about our program with our TK teachers in their classroom.

TK: PARENT'S PERSPECTIVE

Thursday, January 8th @7:00 pm

(December 2nd session @7:00 will be the same as this session)

T-K Room #112

- Hear first-hand benefits and reasons for 'gifting an extra year' to your child (including down the road- 3rd grade, middle/high school, college).
 - Conversation with former TK parents for families "weighing options" and "on-the-fence" regarding sending a child to T-K vs. kindergarten.
 - Wake County Kindergarten teacher shares expectations of students & a 'typical day' for a kindergartner.
 - Opportunity for conversation with RLP's Staff about our program.
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2026-27 Enrollment has started!

office@rlpcary.org



919.851.7270



Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

**3-year-olds
to Rising kindergarteners**

(children currently in our 2's classes can come!)
(ALL Ages MUST be toilet-trained)

June 1 – 4 (9:15-12:30)

June 8 – 11 (9:15-12:30)

June 15 – 18 (9:15-12:30)

RLChurch VBS June 22-26

Neighbors, friends, & family welcome!

Look for Brochures & Registration forms in January

Mark Your Calendars!

email- office@rlpcary.org

call- 919-851-7270

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Resurrection Lutheran School



rlscary.org | 919-851-7271 | contact@rlscary.org

Latest Lion's Tale

WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Worship in Sanctuary	Praise Worship in Family Life Center
Saturday, 6:00 pm	Sunday, *11:00 am
Sunday, *8:00 & 9:30 am	

**Services Live Streamed to YouTube*

For online services, connect through our YouTube channel at
youtube.com/ResurrectionLutheranChurchCaryNC
or through our website at
rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship.

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:

Wednesday, December 24

3:00 pm - 176

4:30 pm - 268

6:00 pm - 77
8:00 pm - 381
10:00 pm - n/a

Thursday, December 25
10:00 am - 100

Saturday, December 27
6:00 pm - 31

Sunday, December 28
8:00 am - 85
9:30 am - 178
11:00 am - n/a

Total In-Person Worship: 1,002

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel:

Wednesday, December 24
8:00 pm - 178

Sunday, December 28
8:00 am - 92
11:00 am - 48

Total Online Views: 318

Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

November 2025

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$589,000.00
Actual Giving to Date: \$605,259.90
Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$ 16,259.90

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$633,33.33
Actual Expenses to Date: \$578,288.45
Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$ 55,044.88

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

Church Calendar



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Prayers of the Church – January 4, 2026

*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

*Melainey Unger Campos, Hannah Peterson, Sarah Hulse

Those Prayed for on December 28, 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
- New Office Assistant, Evy Suskin
- Birth of Annabelle Guerin, Proud Parents *Zachary and *Renee Guerin
- Jesus!
- Successful Surgery

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, Recovery
- 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
- 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
- Carli
- Kyler
- *Yvette Crawley, Healing and Recovery
- Lorrie Muller, Cancer Treatment
- *Cheryl Roth, Healing and Rehab
- *Jan Wozniak, Healing and Rehab
- *Amelia Sarrault, Healing
- Patrick Tray, Surgery and Recovery
- Sheila, Cancer Treatment
- Helen Houser
- Sheila, Pam, Gloria, Ran, Kathy, Matt, Brianne, Knox, Nove, Eric, Mark, Mara, Carrie, Bill, Virginia, Kelly, Paul, Brittany, Eddie, Jim, Nancy, Yonika, Barbara, Keyaan, David, Catherine, Stella, Gaylon, Karl, Linda, Gail, Stacy, June, Charlotte, David and Family, Gabby, James, George, Walter, Gene, Lois, Gary, Sharon, Alex, Noreen, Shelby, Laura, Ruby, Jack, Sandy, Joe, Jake, Jeri, Herbie, Julie, Sienna, Amanda

For Comfort

- Family and Friends of Patricia Meinzer, Mother of *Stacy Miller
- Family and Friends of Sheila Pegram, Mother of *Heather Hilldale
- Family and Friends of *Ed Koren, Especially Wife *Ginny Koren and Son *Rob Koren

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- Persecuted Christians
- 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 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
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- Dorothy Conners
- *Jim and *Thelma Rhodes
- *Anita Moore
- *Rundle Family
- Marion Cecconi, Mother of *Lecia Roberts
- Those in Process of Selling and Purchasing Homes
- Jeri Breitsprecher, Mother of *Sue Campau, Recovery and Guidance for Her Family
- Those Struggling This Season
- Sherry, Divorce
- A Student
- First Responders and Military

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
- 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
[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 1/2/26