

The Baptism of Our Lord

January 11, 2026



Pastor's Corner for January 11-17

A Little Bit of Easter Every Day (Matthew 3:13-17; Romans 6:1-4)

I don't know about you, but a problem I face is that it's so easy for me to relegate Holy Baptism to a rite of the church that's over and done with and truly doesn't matter for me TODAY. Jesus' baptism is proof Jesus came to "fulfil all righteousness" by His obedience to the Father...obedience that would culminate in His death on a cross. It was all so that today and every day we might be called obedient children of the Father. We have been "baptized into [Jesus'] death" so that today and every day "we might walk in newness of life" (Rom 6:4). Every day we have a clean slate! Every day Jesus' triumph over sin and death is our triumph, too! Because of what was revealed on Jesus' baptism day—and what was accomplished on ours—you can even say we enjoy a little bit of Easter every day.

We all know Jesus isn't a Son of God the way you and I are God's sons and daughters. One pastor I know put it like this: Jesus was the "genetic" Son of God (or think of it like we say in the Nicene Creed...that He is "one substance with the Father") while you and I are "adopted" children of God. His baptism was not a time of change for Him. It was, instead, a day of REVELATION: A day the Father's voice from heaven would say, "This is my beloved Son" (Matt 3:17)! Our baptism day—on the other hand—would be a day God would seal the promise of his adoption of us as His children. As unrighteous people, we are not worthy of another person's love let alone the love of our heavenly Father. But baptism is the place where the Father's word spoken over Jesus ("This is my beloved Son!") reveals His claim on us as His very own dearly beloved children in Christ. As a father, I remember how dear it was to hold our son Joel on my shoulders or "wrestle" with him at the end of the day when I got home from work. I remember, when our daughter Sarah was just learning how to walk, holding her in my arms and dancing with her around the kitchen to a song she seemed to enjoy. Maybe one way or another, the world is telling you that you don't measure up, that you're not beautiful enough, not popular enough, not rich enough, not smart enough, or not athletic enough to be loved. That you're not worthy to be called God's child. But even the most tender...the most sacrificial love of a parent for his or her child here on earth pales in comparison with God's love for us (and all the baptized)! In Holy Baptism, Jesus has fulfilled all righteousness. In our baptism, God grabbed hold of us and said, "This is my beloved son!" "This is my beloved daughter!" In Christ Jesus, nothing and no one can take that promise away from us.

Easter Sunday is still many days away on the calendar. But as you live out these early weeks of 2026 I invite you to see every day as a "little Easter," because of Jesus. We consider ourselves dead to sin, and alive to God. After all, in Christ Jesus we have a heavenly Father who loves us with no strings attached...and will never let go.

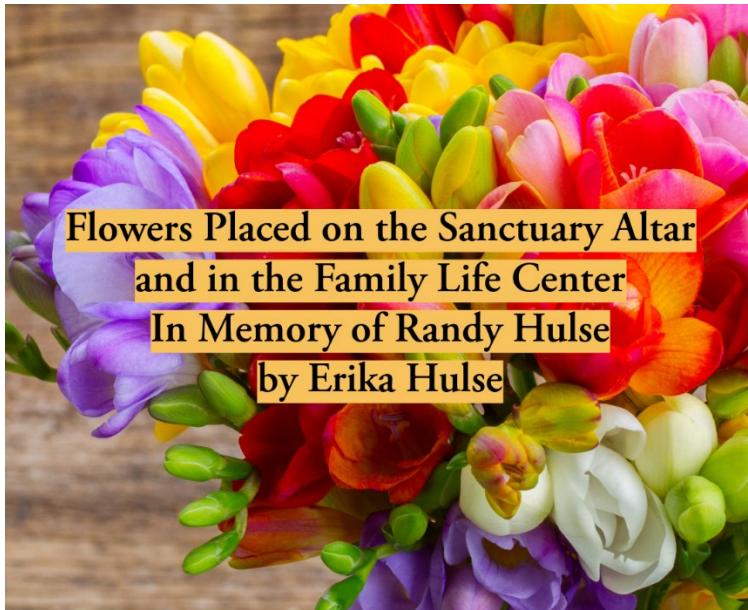
Thank You

On behalf of all the Resurrection Lutheran Staff, I would like to offer up heartfelt thanks for the kindness and love of our congregation in the gifts we

received at the end of the year. We are all so blessed to serve a community where we are loved and supported so faithfully! All the best to our beloved brothers and sisters in Jesus again in 2026...

Peace and joy,
Pastor Jonathan

Prayers of the Church



Sign up for Altar Flowers in the Sanctuary and Family Life Center.

Click below or call the church office at 919-851-7248.

Flowers are from Cary Florist and cost \$45.

[Sign Up for Altar Flowers!](#)

Christmas Store

Resurrection Lutheran Church,

Thank you so much for your generosity and partnership in collecting toy donations for this year's Christmas Store. Because of your willingness to participate, you helped make Christmas brighter for families right here in our community.

Through your support, the Christmas Store was able to serve **877 children from 396 families**, offering parents the dignity of choosing new toys to give their children at Christmas. Your efforts — hosting toy collections, encouraging participation, and sharing the heart of this mission — played a vital role in making that impact possible.

We are deeply grateful for your time, energy, and compassion. It's a joy to partner with organizations like yours to serve local families.

Thank you again for being part of this meaningful work. We look forward to continuing this partnership in the future!

With sincere appreciation,
Christmas Store

Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday Morning

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.

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

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Fellowship Hall

January 4-February 15
Led by Larry Cameron



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

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.

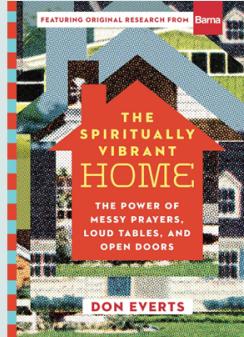
The project shows that some of the healthiest, most vibrant homes extend beyond the nuclear family and include people that may not be biologically related but feel like family. In the end you might just be surprised by how God wants to work in and through your household. And you'll have practical steps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

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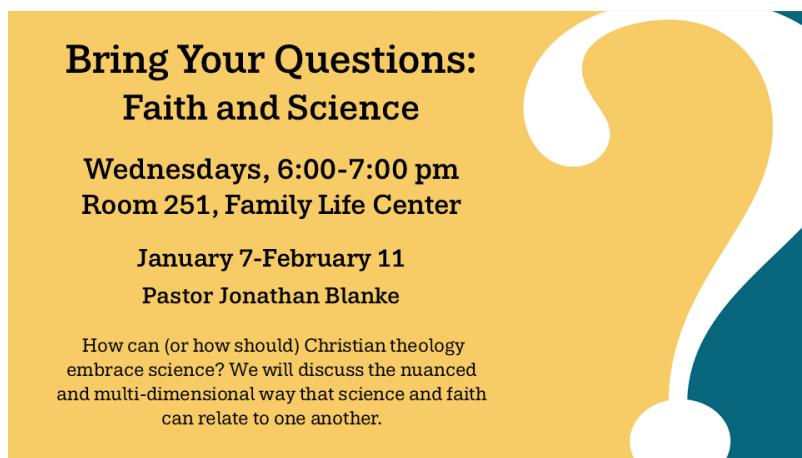
Bring Your Questions: Faith and Science

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.

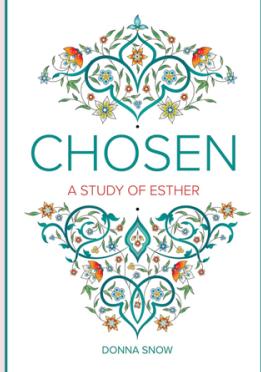


Women of the Word (WOW) - Chosen: A Study of Esther
Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship at 6:45 pm) ~ January 7-May 20
Fellowship Hall
Jamee Thieme and Study Leader, Shane Jarvis

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.



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Men's Ministry - A Study in Ruth

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

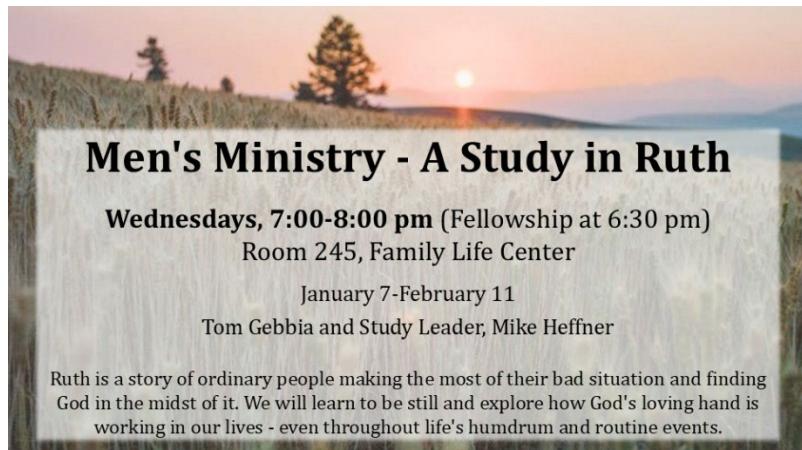
Room 245, Family Life Center

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.

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!

Menu

January 14: Roasted Chicken with Potatoes and Carrots, Salad, Fruit, and Pie

January 21: Danny's BarBQ, Potato Salad, Hush Puppies, Salad, Fruit, and Banana Pudding

January 28: Swedish Meatballs with Noodles, Salad, Fruit, and Cake

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.

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.

Sanctity of Life Sunday

January 18, 2026

As we celebrate and mark the sanctity of life this year, the Human Care Committee would like to share how our church family affirms life all year long through our own ministries and our ministry partners.

The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod states in their Creedal Response to Life

Why do we love and care for life at all stages?

God the Father Created us. Every life is a gift.

God the Son redeemed us. Every life is hallowed.

God the Holy Spirit sanctifies us. Every life is purposeful.

Our church provides financial support, prayer, and many volunteers to those who are:

Hungry: NeighborUp (formerly Western Wake Crisis Ministry and Dorcas Ministries), Food Bank of NC, Meals on Wheels, Inter-Faith Food Shuttle

Disabled: Blind Ministry, The Coffeehouse

Unhoused: Habitat for Humanity, Families Together, PLM

In Prison: Prison Alliance

End of Life / Chronic Illness: Transitions of Wake County, Lutherans for Life

Sharing God's Love in the Southeastern District: Mission Partners SED, Mid-Atlantic Lutherans in Mission

Seeking Prenatal Care: Gateway Women's Center, NeighborHealth

Seeking Family Focused Affordable Healthcare: NeighborHealth

Seeking Support Through Family Crisis: Safe Families for Children

Recovering from Disaster: Lutheran World Relief, Helene Recovery (Through Mission Partners SED and Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Asheville)

The Human Care Committee will provide a Temple Talk and brochure information regarding many of these organizations on **Sunday, January 18**. Please come visit our display, ask questions, pick up a brochure, volunteer to help or join our committee!

DivorceCare

Resurrection will be hosting a DivorceCare Support Group on **Mondays, 6:30-8:30 pm, starting January 19**-April 20 in Room 151, Family Life Center.

This 13-week program supports people who are going through separation and/or divorce and provides practical tools offering more than support — it also offers the love and presence of Christ.

Workbooks are required to get the most benefits and are available when participants register at DivorceCare.org (Find a Group, look for Resurrection Lutheran Church).

Contact Sue Campau through RCB for more details, or to volunteer with helping facilitate and greet participants.

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.

Children & Family Ministry News

January 2026

Important Dates:

- January 7 - Kidz Live, 6:00-7:00 pm, Gym
- January 11 - Sunday School Resumes, 9:30-10:30 am
- January 31 - Family Service Project for First Responders



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.

January Moms Night Out

Saturday, January 24 at 6:00 pm

Adventures in Bloom, Downtown Apex

Make a Charm Bracelet or Necklace

RSVP to Lauren Patton or Erika Hulse



First Responder Service Project



**Saturday, January 31 at 10:30 am
in the Fellowship Hall**

Sign up here: bit.ly/4joENx3 

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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

I hope you all have had a wonderful couple of weeks and are as excited as I am to get back into the swing of things. If you were in church this past weekend for Epiphany weekend, you heard Pastor Zach preach about plans. So, what is the plan? Well, there are a lot of plans! Ones that keep our youth engaged and focused on Christ. That's what it's all about. Our calendar is packed full of plans, and I hope to see them there!

Sunday, January 11:

Sunday School for Middle and High School, 9:30-10:30 am

High School Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 pm

Wednesday, January 14:

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

**Enroll NOW for
2026-27
Resurrection Lutheran
PRESCHOOL**

Registration is now open!

**+ Classes for 2's, 3's, 4's,
young 5's- including TK +**

Our program provides a balance of academic and social opportunities by 'learning through play' in a loving Christian atmosphere.

Class openings are currently available
for the **2025-26 preschool year.**



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!

rlpcary.org | 919-851-7270 | office@rlpcary.org

Resurrection Lutheran School



rlscary.org

Junior Kindergarten-8th Grade

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

Latest Lion's Tale

WORSHIP SERVICES

Traditional Worship
in Sanctuary

Saturday, 6:00 pm
Sunday, *8:00 & 9:30 am

Praise Worship
in Family Life Center

Sunday, *11:00 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:

Saturday, January 3
6:00 pm - 43

Sunday, January 4

8:00 am - 94

9:30 am - 210

11:00 am - 101

Total In-Person Worship: 448

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel:

Sunday, January 4

8:00 am - 118

11:00 am - 43

Total Online Views: 161

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 11, 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 Hambergren, *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 Ziegelmeyer, Carol Dilberto, 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 January 4, 2026

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
- Denise's Retirement
- Tina's Successful Surgery
- Friends Visiting from New Zealand

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
- Kelly, Paul, Mindy, Dan, Joe, Herbert, Carolyn, Jessica, Jennifer, Larry, Olevia, Stacy, Gloria, Ray, Scott, Johnnie, Kathy, Catherine, David, Stella, Greta, Megan, Ben, Andy, Britany, Jan, Del, Ken, Jamee, Addison, James, Mark, Gary, George, Walter, Gene, Lois, Carrie, Virginia, Bill, Erin, Sean, Ruby, Noreen, Ron, Shelby, Sharon, Alex, Jack, Sandy, Bill, Julie, Eric, Mara

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
- Family and Friends of Mark Bolebruch, Family Friend of the *Rasmussen Family
- Family and Friends of Chris Higgins, Cousin of *Susan Moore

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 Hambergren
- *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
- Amber and Family
- New Stephen Ministry Class

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 1/9/26