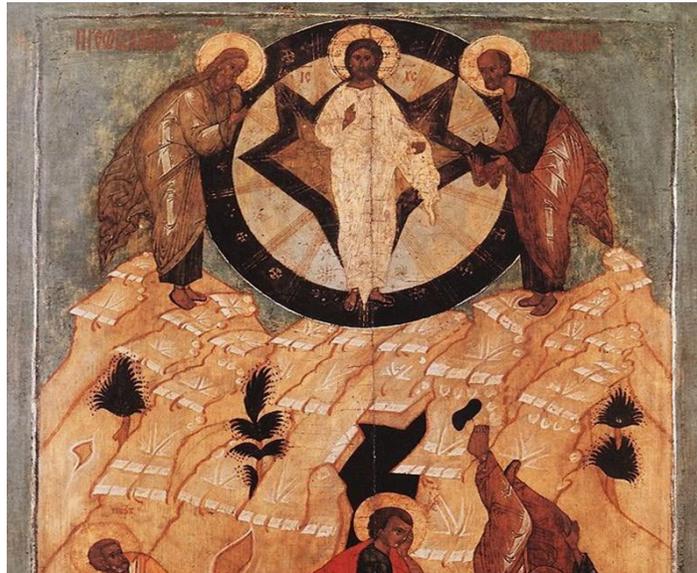


# The Transfiguration of Our Lord

February 15, 2026

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*Pastor's Corner for February 15-21*

## **Eyewitness Testimony (2 Peter 1:15-21; Luke 9:31)**

Every so often, as I read the Bible, I get a little glimmer of something that gives me goosebumps. Most recently it happened as I read the first chapter of 2 Peter. I am used to reading the first chapter of 2 Peter starting at verse 16...the beginning of the appointed Epistle reading for this weekend, the Sunday of the Transfiguration. It is a reading that comes around once every three years. We close out the season of Epiphany every year with the account of Peter, James, and John on a mountain with Jesus, watching as He talks to Moses and Elijah and as His clothes gleam brighter than any 1st-century laundry detergent could bleach them. Every year we hear, from one of the gospel accounts, that voice of God the Father saying "This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him!" But this is the year that Peter, in his second epistle, emphasizes that this event really

happened. He really saw what the gospel accounts describe. He really heard what the gospel accounts say God said. It is no fairy tale story! Peter wants us to know and take confidence in the fact that he was an eyewitness. And because his story is True, it is our story too!

To be honest, 2 Peter is not a book of the Bible I read often. This year, I thought I'd read the section that comes just before this appointed reading...a verse where Peter tells the recipients of the letter that he will do everything he can to ensure they will remember this Word of God after his "departure." What he is referring to with that word "departure" is his death. It is an unusual word—both for his day and ours—when used in this way to describe death. That word "departure" is the English translation of a significant and theologically rich word in the original Greek language: the word "exodus."

So here is where my goosebumps get going: This unusual word Peter uses to refer to his death, the word "exodus," is the same word used to describe the conversation Moses and Elijah are having with Jesus when all three of them are on the Mountain of Transfiguration. "Two men," Luke writes, "Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor talking with Jesus. They spoke about his departure ("exodus") which he was about to bring to fulfillment in Jerusalem" (Luke 9:31). So Peter is using the very language overheard by the disciples in this conversation on the mountain between Jesus, Elijah, and Moses to describe that future day when he, Peter, will be called to glory!

I don't know what part of the Scriptures get you the most excited. But isn't it worth celebrating the message the Scriptures bring—that because of Jesus, death is no longer a defeat? And that because of Jesus, the end of life is never the End? What He was about to do in Jerusalem would change life for Peter AND for all of us! We therefore have something better than mere so-called "mountaintop experiences" here below. We have been set free from sin and death. Death is no longer an end, but an exodus. Our "mountaintop" in both the highs and lows of life is Mt. Calvary. Our banner in every battle is the cross of Jesus.

As we enter the season of Lent and find ourselves called to repentance and the

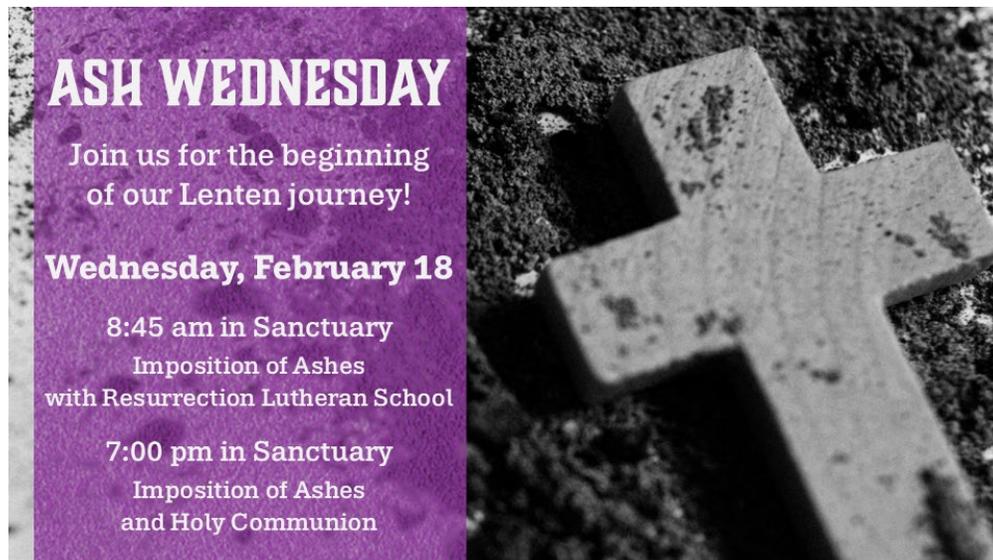
sober reality of our own mortality this Ash Wednesday, we never forget the eyewitness testimony of the saints and the gift of faith in the Lord of Life we share with them. Alleluia to our beautiful Savior!

Peace and joy,  
Pastor Jonathan

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

## Prayers of the Church

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All other Wednesday night activities are cancelled, except for rehearsals for Heavenly Handbells at 6:00 pm and Sanctuary Choir at 8:00 pm.

The 7:00 pm service will be live streamed to our YouTube channel ([youtube.com/@ResurrectionLutheranCary](https://youtube.com/@ResurrectionLutheranCary)).

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## Ministry Expansion Campaign

At last Sunday's Voters' Meeting, the voters agreed, by a vote of 98-9, to proceed with the Ministry Expansion Campaign with the help of Walsh & Associates.

Thanks to all who attended and gave meaningful input during the meeting. The Council is now working with Walsh to begin the process. You may find the slides used during the meeting and the Walsh report that was handed out in the RCB (Entire Church Group) part of our RLC Website.

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## Campaign Assistant Needed

Resurrection Lutheran Church is seeking to fill a temporary secretarial position to assist with a special fundraising campaign. The position will run from April to August, approximately 10 to 15 hours per week. Duties include assisting with campaign communications; organizing various meetings and events; tracking enlistment and gift-gathering assignments and results, campaign commitments, income and expenses; maintenance of campaign records and files; and production of various reports.

Qualified candidates must be computer savvy and have working knowledge of Microsoft Office Products (Word, Excel, Access, and Publisher), a pleasing and positive personality and excellent communication skills, and be willing to work a flexible schedule with some evening and weekend work required.

Qualified candidates should send a cover letter and/or resume to Ruby Sanchez at [ruby@walshfundraising.com](mailto:ruby@walshfundraising.com) by March 2, 2026. Compensation will be commensurate with experience.

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## Adult Bible Study Opportunities

### Sunday Morning

#### ***Last* 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.

**\*We will have a make-up day from the winter weather cancellations on Sunday, March 15.**

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

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Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am  
Fellowship Hall

January 4-February 15  
Led by Larry Cameron

An illustration of several books. On the left, four books are stacked horizontally. From top to bottom, they are light blue, green, light blue, and light blue. On the right, three books are standing upright. From left to right, they are orange, yellow, and light blue. The books have various symbols on their spines, including a cross, a star, and a cross with three dots.

**New Archaeology and the Bible**

**Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am ~ February 22-April 12**

Fellowship Hall

Paul Brandt

Attend to learn how archaeology and the Bible intersect, to gain information that will build your understanding of God's Word, and perspectives to share with biblical skeptics in your life. Bring your Bible, your curious mind, and a friend.

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### **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.

### **No Wednesday Evening due to Ash Wednesday**

#### **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**

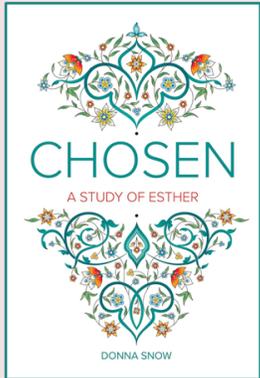
Fellowship Hall

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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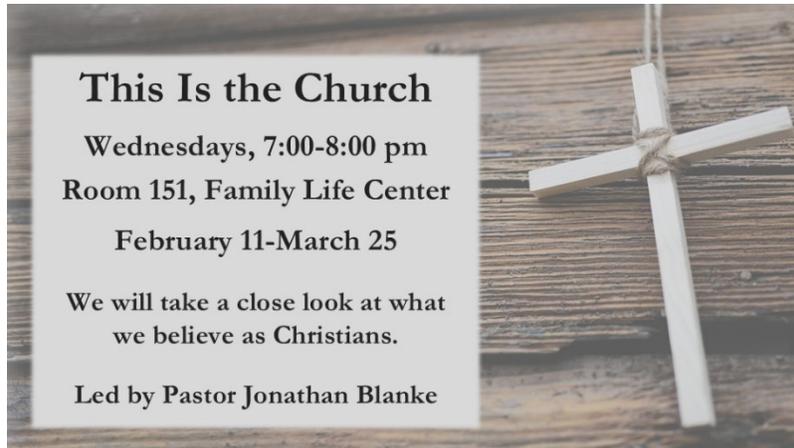
### **This Is the Church**

**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm ~ February 11-March 25**

Room 151, Family Life Center

Pastor Jonathan Blanke

This class takes a close look at what we believe as Christians. It is a great opportunity for everyone, whether you're coming from another denomination, new to the Christian faith altogether, or simply want to review the basics of the Christian faith according to the Lutheran tradition.



**New Men's Ministry ~ Nurturing Your Faith: Life to the Full**

**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm** (Fellowship at 6:45 pm) ~ February 25-March 18  
Room 245, Family Life Center  
Tom Gebbia

In *Nurturing Your Faith: Life to the Full*, Rev. Dr. Travis Scholl speaks to the abundant life we have in Jesus Christ. This new life is born of the Spirit's gift of faith to us that leads to life everlasting. In our present, time-bound faith journey, we humbly follow our Shepherd as He directs our steps, reveling in His creation while loving and serving those around us.

We were born for a God-centered and abundant life. This we have through faith in our risen and victorious Lord Jesus whose life, death, and resurrection have won for us the forgiveness of our sins. As Scripture tells us, "God is love," and His agape love is of the highest kind. It's selfless, never-ending, and freely given. And it sets the perfect example of how we should be for others.

**Men's Ministry**  
NURTURING  
YOUR FAITH:

*Life to  
the Full*



*In Nurturing Your Faith: Life to the Full*, Rev. Dr. Travis Scholl considers how God's design for our lives is one of complete abundance and selfless love. In this, Jesus sets the supreme example for us. He is both Shepherd and Savior, the One to follow and the One who gives us life. Jesus, God's agape love in the flesh, makes it all possible. By faith in Him alone can we have life to the full.

**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm**  
**Room 245, Family Life Center**  
**February 25-March 18**

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**New** The Gift of Empathy

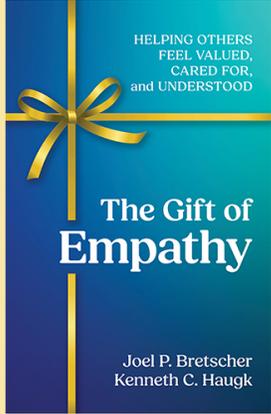
**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm ~ February 25-March 25**

Room 251, Family Life Center

Pastor Alan Shaw

Imagine a world where everyone's go-to way of relating is empathy. *The Gift of Empathy* takes a fresh look at this important skill, examining what empathy is and isn't, offering practical guidance for empathizing well, and showing how to respond with empathy in all kinds of situations and settings. With ready-to-use principles, this class will empower you to better understand, connect with and empathize with family, friends, coworkers, and others you may relate to.

We will be using the book, *The Gift of Empathy*, which is available at [stephenministries.org](http://stephenministries.org). Don't miss this opportunity to learn the valuable skill of empathy towards others!



**The Gift of Empathy**

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm  
Room 251, Family Life Center

February 25-March 25  
Pastor Alan Shaw

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Any questions can be directed to the church office at [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org) or 919-851-7248.

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Congratulations to Evan and Erin Law  
upon the birth of their son,  
**Baker Hudson Law,**  
born on February 10 at 7 lbs. 20 in.!

Proud grandparents are Bud and Teri McCarty.

Our prayers of joy and gratitude are with them as they celebrate this blessing!

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## DivorceCare

Resurrection is hosting a DivorceCare Support Group on **Mondays, 6:30-8:30 pm**, 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](http://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.

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## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Join us for the Best *All You Can Eat* Pancake Supper, Pancake Races, and Fellowship on **Tuesday, February 17 from 5:30-7:00 pm** in the Family Life Center Gym! Free Will Offering with proceeds to the next LCMS Youth Gathering.



We need many hands to make this a success! [Please sign up to help.](#)

Questions? Contact Kim Simpson through RCB, or the church office (919-851-7248, [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).

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## 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:

**\*February 17:** Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper (Free Will Donation Supporting Our Youth Ministry)

**February 18:** **Ash Wednesday (No Dinner)**

**February 25:** Ham and Scalloped Potatoes, Salad, Fruit, and Cake

All are welcome! Online reservations at [rlcary.org](http://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.

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## 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.

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## Saturday, February 21

We will use the Taize format of worship for the Saturday, 6:00 pm service.

A darkened setting with candles, singing of short ostinato refrains of Biblical and liturgical phrases, periods of quiet for reflection, the celebration of communion, readings, and sermon.

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• **YOUNG FAMILIES** •  
*gathering*



Join us on  
**Sunday, February 22 at 4:00 pm**  
at the Home of Jeff and Corinne Watson  
(412 Brightling Way, Holly Springs)  
for Food, Fellowship, and Fun!

Please bring a side dish and/or dessert.  
RSVP to Jeff and Corinne Watson, or Pastor Zach.

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### **International Festival**

The International Festival will be held on **Tuesday, February 24**. Country displays will be open from 6:00-7:00 pm, and dinner can be purchased from Craft Food Truck from 5:00-7:00 pm. They will be offering pretzels, nachos, burgers, chicken tenders, cookies and more!

*He's got the whole world in His hands* — and we want to learn about the many countries He holds in His care and the work of international missions.

This is a whole-campus event! Families from RLC, RLS, and RLP are all invited.

There are two ways to participate:

- Attend as a participant to learn and explore

- Host a table representing a country for others to visit

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool students and Resurrection Lutheran School Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten students will sing at 6:30 pm.

### Interested in hosting a country table?

Displays may include artifacts from the country, a simple craft for children to make and take, a food sampling, or an easy game. Please be sure to have a designated person (or persons) taking turns staffing your table.

Sign up here: [bit.ly/4pKBvq5](https://bit.ly/4pKBvq5) to host a table by February 15.



**International Festival**

Learn facts about countries,  
listen to songs,  
sample food,  
play a game,  
make a craft  
&  
fill your passport!

He's Got the Whole  
World in His Hands

**Tuesday  
February 24**  
Food truck 5-7 pm  
Festival 6-7 pm  
Gym

Sign up to  
host a country  
here: → 

If you have any questions, please contact Erika Hulse at [erika.hulse@rlcary.org](mailto:erika.hulse@rlcary.org).

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### Good Friday Tenebrae Worship

*The Suffering Servant* by K. Lee Scott, accompanied by a chamber orchestra and including narrative from Holy Scripture, will be presented at the 7:00 pm Good Friday Tenebrae Worship Service, Friday, April 3.

All youth and adults are encouraged to participate in this exciting preparation for Holy Week. Rehearsals for *The Suffering Servant* are scheduled for **Wednesdays, beginning February 25, 8:00-8:30 pm.**

If you are interested in participating, please contact Bob Unger at the church office and/or be present at one the initial rehearsals. It is okay if you are not able to attend all the rehearsals, we would rather you attend as your schedule allows, than to exclude yourself from participating in this wonderful opportunity.

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## Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry  
for the Visually Impaired meets

**Friday, February 27**

5:30-7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Contact Annette Langefeld-Kennedy to learn more and for volunteer needs, or the church office (919-851-7248, [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).

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## LMCSU @ NCSU

We will start the Season of Lent together for our second meeting on **Friday, February 27** from 7:00-8:30 pm at the NC State Study Center (201 Brooks Avenue, Raleigh). Since it is our second meeting, we will have an extended period of fellowship filled with games and snacks before closing the night with a new service called "A Service of Prayer and Preaching". Pastor Jon Richter will be with us once again for this service as well.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining us, please reach out to [Jonathan Madler](#) or the RLC church office ([office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org), 919-851-7248).



LCMSU @ NCSU is the local chapter of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod college outreach program, LCMSU ([lcms.org/how-we-serve/national/campus-ministry](http://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.

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## Cross-Cultural Mission Engagement Team (CCMET)

### Cambodia Mission Trip Fund



SCAN ME

Pastor Jonathan and CCMET member Paul Brandt will travel to Cambodia in March to explore how RLC can positively impact mission work there.



Erika Hulse will travel to Stronghold Cambodia to explore sending an RLC mission team in the future.



[Click to Donate!](#)

If you have questions about the Together In Mission Fund (TIM) or the Cambodia Mission Trip Fund, please reach out to Pastor Jonathan at [jonathan.blanke@rlcary.org](mailto:jonathan.blanke@rlcary.org) or [Paul Brandt](#).

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### **Come run, jog, or walk with us!**

The Stewardship of Life & Health has organized a group to participate in the "Run the Peak" 5k in downtown Apex on **March 7**. Whether you're a beginner or experienced runner, we'll give you a training plan to help you prepare.



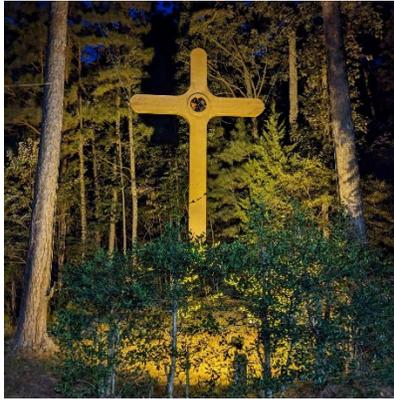
Contact Anthony Johnson or Art Berger through RCB to join the 5k Group. Sign up for the RLC Fitness email newsletter to stay informed about all our fitness-related activities: [bit.ly/3KUN5A8](https://bit.ly/3KUN5A8)

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### **Men's Ministry**

Mark your calendars! The 2026 Men's Retreat and Service Event will be held on **March 13-15** at Camp Agape.

Our theme will be *Equipped to Be a Man of God as Witnesses* (Acts 1:8) and Pastor Zach Sarrault will lead.



Please consider joining the planning team. Let Tom Gebbia know if you have questions or an interest at [mens-ministry@rlcary.org](mailto:mens-ministry@rlcary.org).

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## Men's Softball

Attention Men: Spring is just around the corner. Time to grab your glove and cleats and join your fellow church members in representing RLC in the Town of Cary's Men's Open League. Games will be played Tuesday and Thursday nights late March through June.

If you are interested in joining us for some exercise, fun, and fellowship, please see Adam Brake or send an email to [mens-softball@rlcary.org](mailto:mens-softball@rlcary.org). Practices will start the second week of March. All sign-ups must be made by March 22.

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Would you prefer a magnetic nametag?



We are looking at making a group order, as the more we order the lower the cost. The cost would be between \$12 and \$15 each depending on how much interest there is.

If interested, please email [margaret.hyatt@rlcary.org](mailto:margaret.hyatt@rlcary.org) with your preferred name.

Once we see how many respond, we'll get back to you with the final cost and confirm you want us to order your nametag(s). Thanks!

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# Children's Ministry News February

**Nursery** - Birth - 3-year-old child(ren) - The Nursery is staffed by screened volunteers Sunday mornings during 9:30 worship. Available for family use whenever needed.

**Sunday School** - PK to 5th graders - Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30 Bible stories, games, crafts and fun!

**Kidz Live** - PK to 5th graders - Feb 4 and 11 from 6-7 pm in the Gym

**KICKS** - 3rd-5<sup>th</sup> graders - February 11 from 6-7 pm in the Gym

## Important Dates:

No Sunday School February 15

International Festival - February 24 at 6 pm in the Gym

Jerusalem Marketplace - Easter Event- March 15th at 3 pm

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

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## Youth Ministry

Middle School and High School

### Sunday, February 15:

**No** Sunday School for Middle and High School, 9:30-10:30 am  
High School Youth Group, 6:30-8:00 pm

### Wednesday, February 18:

**No** Middle School Youth Group, 6:00-7:00 pm

**We will break for Lent.**



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

### February Service Project - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

**Tuesday, February 17** (5:00-7:15 pm for serving)

I will have aprons for all who show up to be Youth Servers. Proceeds will help to raise money for the **YOUTH GATHERING 2028** in San Antonio, Texas.

Parents, we need you too! Feel free to also sign up for cleanup, setup, working in the kitchen, etc

Sign Up: [Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 2026](#)

Questions? Contact Jenny Piontek, Youth Director,  
at [jenny.piontek@rlcary.org](mailto:jenny.piontek@rlcary.org) or 919-851-7248, ext. 24.

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Resurrection Lutheran Preschool

**Enroll NOW for  
2026-27**

Resurrection Lutheran  
**PRE SCHOOL**

**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 (RLP) is looking for caring, dependable individuals who enjoy working with young children. Enthusiasm, patience, and a love of working with and teaching 2-year-olds to young 5-year-old children is important, as well as being part of the team of the RLP Staff.

Although a degree in early education would be ideal, experience with children is considered. Our program is half day and works well with elementary/high school families' schedules.

If interested or you know someone that may be interested, contact Diane Hooper at [director@rlpcary.org](mailto:director@rlpcary.org) or 919-851-7270. Resumes may be sent to this email address.

[rlpcary.org](http://rlpcary.org) | 919-851-7270 | [office@rlpcary.org](mailto:office@rlpcary.org)

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## Resurrection Lutheran School

Our girls' and boys' basketball teams competed in the Triangle Middle School Conference championship games and both teams came away with the victory! We are so proud of our athletes for their hard work, determination, and teamwork throughout the season.

A huge thank you to our cheerleaders for bringing the energy and supporting our teams all season long, and to our parents, families, and fans for showing up and cheering on our Lions every step of the way.

What an incredible finish to a great season for both teams!



**Triangle Middle School Conference  
Championship Winners!**



**rlscary.org**  
Junior Kindergarten-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

[rlscary.org](http://rlscary.org) | 919-851-7271 | [contact@rlscary.org](mailto:contact@rlscary.org)

**Latest Lion's Tale**

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For online services, connect through our YouTube channel at [youtube.com/@ResurrectionLutheranCary](https://youtube.com/@ResurrectionLutheranCary) or through our website at [rlcary.org/about-us/online-worship](https://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](mailto:office@rlcary.org) for assistance.

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# This Week's Visual Faith Sheet

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## Weekly Attendance

### In-Person Worship Attendance:

Saturday, February 7

6:00 pm - 65

Sunday, February 8

8:00 am - 107

9:30 am - 135

11:00 am - 109

**Total In-Person Worship: 416**

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

Sunday, February 8

8:00 am - 121

11:00 am - 46

**Total Online Views: 167**

## Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

### January 2026

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$931,000

Actual Giving to Date: 914,521

**Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$ (16,479)**

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$886,666.67

Actual Expenses to Date: \$819,733

**Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$ 66,933.67**

Questions? Contact [finance@rlcary.org](mailto:finance@rlcary.org).

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## Church Calendar



100 W. Lochmere Drive, Cary NC 27518

[rlcary.org](http://rlcary.org)

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## Prayers of the Church – February 15, 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

Hannah Peterson, Sarah Hulse, Alison Aiello

### Those Prayed for on February 8, 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
- Protection During Winter Storms
- Live Stream Worship When Weather Prevents In-Person Worship
- Belle, Cancer Free
- Healthy Birth
- Thanksgiving for Big Job Change
- Resurrection Lutheran School Basketball Championships

### For Healing

- \*Kim Goss
- All Those Who Have Illnesses - COVID, RSV, Flu, Viruses

- Blind Ministry Guests - Maria and Jeff Barker, Linda Jones, Judy Dean, 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
- \*Fern Frusti
- Deb, Sister of \*Pam Dickson
- Tyler, Recovering from Burns, and His Family Supporting Him
- Belle and Hayes, Childhood Cancer
- \*Clinton Peterson
- Khari Otten
- Tommi
- Henry, Grandson of \*Mark and \*Pat Otten
- Lorrie Muller, Cancer Treatment
- \*Cheryl Roth
- \*Jan Wozniak, Healing
- Helen Houser
- Carolyn, Peace of Mind and Healing
- Dick Huffman
- Addison
- Mike Hodgin
- Evelyn Bloom
- \*Carol Klevenow, Pain Support
- Herbie Campau
- Justin Shellaway, Brain Tumor Surgery
- Jim Brooks, Treatment Will Eradicate Cancer
- Carli, Recovery from Addiction
- Tina, Susan, Jan, DeAnn, Carly, Karen, Barb, Ros, Bob, Fran, Knox, Nove, Matt, Brianne, Kimberly, Robin, Jerrad, Bill, Linda, Ricky, Gaylon, Greta, Gary, George, Walker, Steven, Christine, Tim, Justin, Red, Brian, Kevin, Keith, Sam, Paul, Anne, Anna, Skylar, Eric, Jeff, Carolyn, Pam, Gabby, Addison, Tom, Melissa, Marcus, Denise, Sharon, Shelby, Ron, Noreen, Ashley, Sylvia, Stephanie, Kelly, Carrie, Mark, Walter, Gene, Lois, Joe, Jeri, Herbie, Laverne, Virginia, Bruce, Sandy, Jack, Marie, Amanda, Jake, Mindy, Keyaan, Douglas, Barbara

### **For Comfort**

- Family and Friends of Helen Vollrath, Grandmother of \*Jenny Piontek

- Family and Friends of Ruth Anderson, Aunt of \*Eric Heise
- Family and Friends of Paul Heise, Uncle of \*Eric Heise

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

- Persecuted Christians
- World Peace
- 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, Managing Mental Decline and Guidance for Her Family
- Safety for Hunters
- Congregation Preliminary Study for Possible Capital Campaign and Discernment for the RLC Council
- Resolution of Discord in Families
- Heating Affordability for Families in Need
- Protection from Severe Winter Temperatures
- Mercy and Protection for the People of Minnesota

### **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
- DivorceCare Program

#### **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
- Upcoming Mission Trips to Cambodia, especially for Pastor Jonathan, Paul Brandt, and Erika Hulse

#### **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.*

**\*RLC Members**

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