

# Third Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026

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*Pastor's Corner for April 19-25, 2026*

## **Jesus Walking with You (Luke 24:13-35)**

It is amazing how many places Jesus shows up in a single 24-hour period. If we squish Luke and John's resurrection stories together, Jesus appears in the garden with Mary Magdalene, the road to Emmaus with two of His followers, and in a locked room with His disciples. Jumping back and forth to all these places to proclaim one thing, that He has resurrected from the dead! The one place that He can't be found? The tomb, where everyone expected Him to be! It's absolutely incredible that a single 24-hour period on this created earth can hold so many eternal events. Let's look at how the road to Emmaus connects to our life today.

First, we are told that these two Jesus-followers "were talking with each other about all these things that had happened" (Luke 24:14). Who do you talk with in your daily walk? What do you talk about? These are interactions that we

generally don't think much about, but, as we will see in the story, they are places that Jesus can show up. In these daily interactions, who do you talk about Jesus with? Where do you speak about Jesus-things? Where do you wrestle with the works of Jesus that happened 2,000 years ago and that happen today? These are conversations to enjoy and celebrate.

Second, Jesus walks with you, even if you don't realize it. "While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. but their eyes were kept from recognizing Him" (vv. 15-16). Often, we want to see Jesus and the effect of His love in our daily life, but we don't. We may think that our faith isn't strong enough or Jesus isn't loving enough because we don't see Him and His work, but that doesn't mean that He isn't there. Our feelings and emotions don't determine the presence of Jesus. As a baptized child of God, Jesus is with you whether you realize it or not. That is His promise to you. Why are they kept from recognizing Him? There might be some deep theological reason for this, but I think it's probably a simple reason. If they recognized Jesus right away, they wouldn't have actually taken the time to listen to what He had to say. Sometimes Jesus stays hidden so we can keep talking and living with the people He has given us.

Third and last (for today), they recognize Jesus while eating a meal. After Jesus prayed (significant!) "He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. and their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him" (vv. 30-31). There are loads of implications here for the joyful gift of Communion that cannot be ignored, but I want to look at something simpler. They recognized Jesus in the ordinary place of a dinner table. That's where Jesus shows up. He is at your table, your office, your car, your sidewalk, your garage. Wherever you may be walking, talking, eating, and living Jesus is there!

Your living brother in Christ,  
Pastor Zach Sarrault

# Prayers of the Church

## WELCOME *New Members*



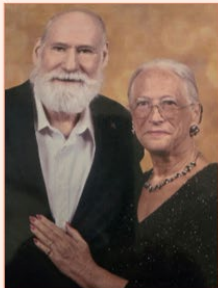
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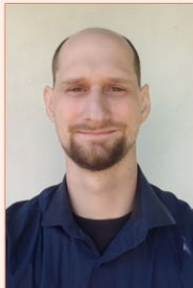
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Wendy and Scott Busby



Mike and Terri Green



David Green



Vickie Hyder



Kevin and Lindsey Kuhl



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Caroline, Addison



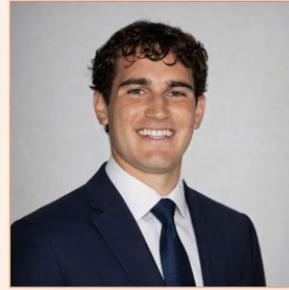
Jim and Lori Milroy



**Ben and Erin Nissing**



**Roman Saitta**



**Joe Stiener**



**Tom and Ellen Whitehurst**



**Marie Wicks**

**Not Pictured:**

**John Crick II  
John Crick III**

*Thank you for helping them connect and get to know their RLC family!*

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## **Mites for Missions**

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, **April 18 and 19**. Please place your gifts in the large purple Mite Box in the Narthex near Sanctuary Worship.

Gifts can also be made by check, payable to RLC, and mailed directly to Donna Krupcale, % Resurrection Lutheran Church, 100 Lochmere Drive West, Cary NC 27518. The large Mite Box is always available at the Welcome table in the Narthex for gifts anytime during the month.



*Thank you for supporting the mission grants of Lutheran Women in Mission!*

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**Flowers Placed on the Sanctuary Altar  
In Honor of  
Our Grandson Micah's 2nd Birthday  
by Mike and Roberta Danilowicz**

**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!](#)**

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Baptized on Wednesday, April 15  
at Resurrection Lutheran School Chapel

**London Kennedy Livingood**

born October 3, 2016,  
daughter of Blake Edwin Livingood and Jessica Lee Livingood.

*May God's blessing be upon London Kennedy as she grows in her baptismal grace.*

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**Voters' Meeting**

**Sunday, April 19 at 12:30 pm**  
Sanctuary

- Resurrection Lutheran School Principal  
Robin Hester Call
- Capital Campaign Update

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**Adult Bible Study Opportunities**

## Sunday Morning

### **New Echoes of Easter: Living the Resurrection Every Day**

**Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am ~ April 19-May 17 (Four Sessions)**

Fellowship Hall

Pastor Jonathan Blanke and Pastor Zach Sarrault

Christian author N. T. Wright once said that because of the resurrection of Jesus Christ the Church is meant to be a "small working model" of God's new creation. That would not be a bad way to approach 1 Peter!

Starting Sunday, April 19 we will begin a 4-week study of St. Peter's first epistle to discover again the difference Easter makes for our daily lives. Reading verse-by-verse through 1 Peter, who do we find we are, in light of our new birth as the baptized children of God? What does it mean to "live the resurrection" each and every day? We will explore these questions and many more which God will use to lead us to live in the light of Jesus' Easter Life today and every day.

Resource: 1 Peter, (the Bible), with miscellaneous handouts provided.



## 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

***Last* Christian Parenting - The Spiritually Vibrant Home**

**Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm ~ April 8-22**

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're in.

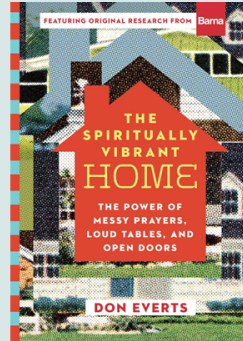
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## Women of the Word (WOW) - Chosen: A Study of Esther

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship at 6:45 pm)

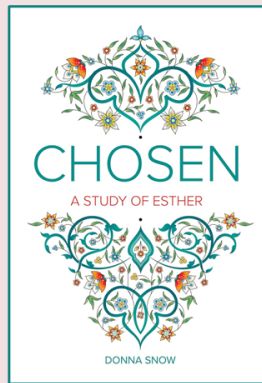
January 7-May 20

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 available on Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm.



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**Men's Ministry**

**Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm** (Fellowship at 6:30 pm)

April 15-May 13

Room 245, Family Life Center

Tom Gebbia

We will cover various topics and activities for the final weeks.

Questions regarding any of our Christian Education offerings can be directed to the leader noted or the church office at [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org), 919-851-7248.

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***Last* 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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### **Last** Wednesday Evening Dinner!



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**

**April 22:** Taco Bar, Fruit, Tres Leche 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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## Report from the Human Care Committee

The mission of the Human Care Committee of RLC is to share the love of Christ by being good stewards of God's Gifts and providing resources and services to those in need; locally, nationally, and globally. The committee makes recommendations to the Church Council regarding how to spend the 10% tithe from the General Fund.

As the fiscal year nears its end, the committee is requesting input from the congregation regarding organizations that receive our donations. Please reference the church budget (In RCB, Under My Groups, Select Entire Church Group, Choose the latest Expense Statement) for a list of current organizations we support.

If you have knowledge of and/or volunteer with an organization that would align with our objectives and you wish to bring them to our attention, please contact our committee at [HumanCare@rlcary.org](mailto:HumanCare@rlcary.org) or call the church office. We welcome your input.

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## Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry  
for the Visually Impaired meets

**Friday, April 24**

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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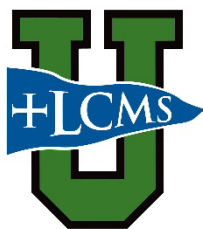
## LCMS-U

LCMSU @ NCSU is wrapping up the 2026 Spring Semester!

Our final meeting will be on **Friday, April 24** from 7:00-8:30 pm at Resurrection Lutheran Church (100 W. Lochmere Drive, Cary). We will begin with food and fellowship, before we close in "Evening Prayer" with Holy Communion in Sanctuary.

It will be an amazing time as we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday and the conclusion of LCMSU @ NCSU. Pastor Jon Richter from RLC will be with us and will be assisting with the service. Transportation can be arranged for those that might need it.

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



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

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## RLC Day of Service

Operation Inasmuch

**April 25, 2026**

*“Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”*

Matthew 25:40

RLC will participate in local service projects under the heading of Operation Inasmuch this year on **Saturday, April 25**. This Day of Service is a way for us to put our faith into action and make a difference in the life of others.

The event starts at 8:00 am in the Family Life Center with a breakfast prepared by the RLC Men’s Group and time of fellowship. After breakfast at 9:00 am, we split out into our groups to complete our service. End time is noon or earlier, if the project is completed. Some groups will stay on campus while others will travel. There will be activities for all age groups.

If you would like to help with coordinating this event and/or have a suggestion for a service project or philanthropy to serve, please let us know as soon as possible. Call the church or email us at [HumanCare@rlcary.org](mailto:HumanCare@rlcary.org) and your information will be forwarded to our committee.

One of our projects is to collect nonperishable food for a food bank in Raleigh named With Love from Jesus. The food collection barrels will be in the Narthex and the Family Life Center to collect these food items. The following items are requested: peanut butter and jelly, canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned soup, canned tomato sauce, rice (1 pound), pasta (1 pound), and dry cereal.

[Check out this video](#) of RLC's Day of Service (Operation Inasmuch) from last year in April 2025!

There are paper forms available in the Narthex for you to sign up, or use our digital signup at [Day of Service 2026 Sign Up](#), or scan this QR code:



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## Saturday, April 25

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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### Campaign Assistant Needed

Resurrection Lutheran Church is seeking to fill a temporary position to assist with a special fundraising campaign. The position will be approximately 10 to 20

hours per week.

Duties include assisting with campaign communications; organizing various meetings and events; tracking enlistment and solicitation 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 etc.), a pleasing and positive personality and excellent communication skills, and should be willing to work a flexible schedule with some evening and weekend work required.

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

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## The Next Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

Friday, May 8

We thank all our volunteers who help us to have wonderful Coffeehouses! We couldn't do it without our faithful volunteers. Please come be a volunteer! Our special needs guests love to come to these events, and we need lots of volunteers to make them feel special and loved. We thank God for this ministry among us!

We need setter uppers at 5:30 pm (both food and room), serving folks at 6:30 pm, and cleaner uppers at 8:30 pm. Sign Up: [bit.ly/3VAtWW0](http://bit.ly/3VAtWW0)

The next Coffeehouse is **Friday, May 8** from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center. *Bona Fide Brass* will be playing for us.

Contact Brenda Peterson through RCB to learn more, or the church office (919-851-7248, [office@rlcary.org](mailto:office@rlcary.org)).



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## Contribution Statements

The Finance Dept. has recently emailed Contribution Statements. Please check for accuracy. If you have not received yours, email [finance@rlcary.org](mailto:finance@rlcary.org). Thanks!

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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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## Children and Family Ministry



**Resurrection Lutheran Church  
Vacation Bible School**

**June 22-26  
9 am - 12 noon**

**4 year olds to 5<sup>th</sup> graders**

**\$10 per child**

**Questions?  
erika.hulse@rlcary.org**

**Register to participate  
or volunteer here** → 

**RAINFOREST  
FALLS**  
Exploring the Nature of God

Register for VBS: [bit.ly/3NapWKZ](https://bit.ly/3NapWKZ)

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, April 19:

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

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

### Wednesday, April 22:

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](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**

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

(children 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!**

**REGISTER NOW!**



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

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## Resurrection Lutheran School

This week in chapel, Mrs. Standley's and Mrs. Roper's class led us in a meaningful retelling of Jesus' appearance to His disciples after the resurrection. Through their words and presentation, they reminded us of the peace Jesus brings when He comes to His followers and says, "Peace be with you."

What a joy to see our students share the hope and truth of the risen Savior with

our school community. We were also blessed to witness a special moment as London was baptized during chapel today.

What a blessing it is to partner with our families in special decisions like this. It is a beautiful reminder of God's grace at work in our midst.



[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](http://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, April 11

6:00 pm - 39

Sunday, April 12

8:00 am - 92

9:30 am - 183

11:00 am - 81

**Total In-Person Worship: 395**

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

Sunday, April 12

8:00 am - 102

11:00 am - 62

**Total Online Views: 164**

## Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

### March 2026

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$1,166,600

Actual Giving to Date: \$1,187,800

**Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$21,200**

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$1,140,000

Actual Expenses to Date: \$1,087,912

Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$ 52,088

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

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## Church Calendar



100 W. Lochmere Drive, Cary NC 27518

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## Prayers of the Church – April 19, 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

Sarah Hulse, Alison Aiello

#### Those Prayed for on April 12, 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, and Those Who Serve
- Our RLC Pastors, Church Staff, Volunteers, and All Who Contributed to Our Holy Week and Easter Worship Services
- \*Bob Unger, RLC Music Ministry Members, and Musicians for Their Contributions to Our Worship Services
- Safe Birth of Twin Girls, Lily and Rose, Grandparents \*Brenda and \*Grant Peterson, and Parents Hannah Peterson and Tom Pocock
- Successful Sale of An Aging Mother's Home

#### 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
- \*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
- Clare Roberts, Recovery, Mother of \*Michelle Wood
- \*Charlotte Raines
- Cynthia Wyse
- \*Fern Frusti
- Deb, Sister of \*Pam Dickson
- Tyler, Recovering from Burns, and His Family Supporting Him
- Hayes, Childhood Cancer
- \*Clinton Peterson
- Khari Otten
- Henry, Grandson of \*Mark and \*Pat Otten
- Tommi
- Lorrie Muller, Cancer Treatment
- \*Cheryl Roth
- Carolyn, Progress in Rehab and Discharge Plan
- Addison
- Mike Hodgin
- \*Carol Klevenow, Pain Support
- Justin Shellaway, Brain Tumor Surgery
- Carli, Recovery from Addiction
- Heather Whitehurst
- Donna Day
- Dave Koester and Wife, Ruth
- \*Trudy Haertling
- Fran, Knox, Matt, Nove, Kathy, Jean, Ricky, Gaylon, Sandy, Sam, Breann, DeAnn, Anita, Ethan, Bill, Bob, Wanda, Tim, Justin, Red, Brian, Carlton, Kevin, Keith, Mark, Paul, Anne, Jewel, Anna, Skylar, Eric, Greta, Lee, James, Gary, George, Walter, Gene, Trudy, Gabby, Gordon, Virginia, Darlene, Jeff, Adison, Kelly, Areeg, Susan, Brittany, Tina, Joe, Herbie, Julie, Jeri, Jake, Amanda, Lyda, Marty, Natalie, Barbara

### **For Comfort**

- Family and Friends of Jeff Haggerty, Brother of Wendy Busby
- Family and Friends of Sarah Griswold, By \*Janshego's

### **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, Malcolm
- 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 the Process of Selling Homes for Aging Parents, Plus Related Family Matters
- Jeri Breitsprecher, Mother of \*Sue Campau, Managing Mental Decline and Guidance for Her Family
- Resolution of Discord in Families
- Peaceful Resolution to War with Iran, People of the Middle East Being Affected by Bombings
- Safety for \*Daisy Morris' Son, Daughter-In-Law, and Grandson in Dubai
- That We Trust the Lord is Working for Our Good in Our World Today
- Dick Huffman and Family
- Jack Simpson and His Family, Father-In-Law of \*Kim Simpson

**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
- Vicar Christopher Reed, SMP Training and Vicarage, and His Family
- 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
- Thanksgiving for Recent Mission Trips to Cambodia, Especially for Pastor Jonathan Blanke, Paul Brandt, and Erika Hulse
- Discernment for Cross-Cultural Mission Engagement Team for Future Mission Trips
- Kairos Prison Ministry

#### **For Our Missionaries**

- JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia  
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*Lord Jesus, thank You for Your abiding Presence and saving grace. All is in Your Hands.  
We trust You are working all things according to Your good plan and purposes,  
and with that trust and confidence, we release these prayers to You. In Your Holy Name, Amen.*

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