

The Day of Pentecost

May 24, 2026



Pastor's Corner for May 24-30, 2026

The Resting Spirit (Numbers 11:24-30)

What do you know about the Holy Spirit? He is (probably) the most confusing member of the Trinity. The Trinity is confusing enough, but God the Holy Spirit, who is one with the Father and the Son, neither created nor born but always has been, yet without form or appearance, that's more confusing still. Generally, the Father and the Son are easy(ish) to understand, as much as we can this side of eternity, but the Holy Spirit is a whole different story. If we know anything about the Holy Spirit, we know Him from the New Testament and there we know Him best for His work at Pentecost. The Pentecost story shows the Holy Spirit descending upon the disciples and resting on them, then they immediately go and proclaim the Gospel so others may "repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the Forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." The question we wrestle with is, what does this gift of the Holy Spirit do?

The disciples aren't the only ones on whom the Holy Spirit rests. The Holy Spirit descends and rests on Jesus also when He is baptized. What happens after His baptism? He is sent, by the Holy Spirit, into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. Between the Spirit resting on Jesus and the Spirit resting on the disciples, it seems like the Holy Spirit is more concerned with working than resting. As a baptized child of God, the Holy Spirit also rests on you. Does that mean you have a job to do? That you will face temptation? That you're supposed to tell others about Jesus? Absolutely! But that's not the only job of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit isn't just a Working Spirit. He is also a Resting Spirit.

The Bible uses specific words on purpose. It's no accident when we read that the Holy Spirit rests upon someone, "rest" is used for a reason. The Holy Spirit has rested upon you, or settle down with you, because with the Spirit there is comfort and peace with the Father, won for you by the Son. The Holy Spirit brings all the gifts of God into your daily life, within these gifts comes the gift of rest. Rest from confusion, from anger, from worry, from fear, rest from the burdens of this life are found in the Holy Spirit who is resting upon you. This doesn't always mean the situation has changed or the emotions are reversed, but it does mean that the God who has conquered your confusion, anger, worry, fear, and burdens has settled down with you. The rest you have with the Spirit is the eternal rest that has already been brought to you.

Your resting brother in Christ,
Pastor Zach Sarrrault

Please note, the church office will be closed Monday, May 25 in observance of Memorial Day.

Prayers of the Church



**Flowers Placed on the Sanctuary Altar
Giving Thanks for God the Father,
Son, and Holy Spirit
by 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!*](#)

Graduating?

Please contact the church office with high school and college graduate information **by Wednesday, May 27**. We will highlight our graduates in the June newsletter. We request the graduate's name, school graduating from, and any future plans. Email susan.moore@rlcary.org or call 919-851-7248, ext. 33.



High School Graduates, please mark your calendars for the weekend of **June 7-8**. We will be recognizing our high school graduates in all services.

Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry
for the Visually Impaired meets

Friday, May 29

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).



Saturday, May 30

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.

FREE Hands-Only CPR Training



Join a Nation of Lifesavers™ Today!



National CPR Week | June 1-7



Thursday, June 4th, 2026



5:30 PM – 6:30 PM



RLC – Fellowship Hall



Ages 12 and up | FREE Admission

Goal: Train 20+
Participants!

Registration Requested - Scan QR

<https://forms.gle/yxi5ABQaghLeb4Kg6>



SCAN ME

Questions? best.steve13@gmail.com

Stewardship of Health & Life | Youth Program | American Heart Association

**This is a free community training session and does not provide full CPR certification.*

Join the Stewardship of Life & Health and the Youth Ministry in supporting Avery Alladin and the American Heart Association. We are hosting a Hands-Only Adult CPR training in support of the mission to increase survival from cardiac arrest.

We invite our church family and community to join us to learn the lifesaving skills of Hands-Only Adult CPR. It takes just one hour to learn the skills to save a life.

Register: forms.gle/yxi5ABQaghLeb4Kg6

Voters' Meeting

Sunday, June 7 at 12:30 pm
Sanctuary

- Approval of RLC, RLS, and RLP Budgets

**TRIANGLE
FAITH.ORG**

Tuesday, June 9 & Wednesday, June 10, 2026

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

309 Hollman

Genesis: From Creation to

The Book of Genesis takes us from chaos to God's plan to renew all things in Christ. This workshop will help participants read the rest of the Bible more missionally and Christologically.



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Professor of Theology and Ministry,
and Director of The Center of
Biblical Studies at Concordia
University, St. Paul, Minn.

The Next Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

Friday, June 12

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 attend 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/3VAatWWO

The next Coffeehouse is **Friday, June 12** from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center. *Ricky Tew* will be playing for us.



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

LCMSU

Our last meeting this semester was a wonderful time as we joined in a very competitive game of Spoons, sent our seniors off with a blessing, and joined together in worship.



Even though we are starting the summer, it is never too early to start thinking about next semester.

I am excited to announce that Joseph Steiner will be taking the reins and leading LMCSU @ NCSU this fall. This will allow the group to continue providing the fellowship and worship that any student needs. As of now, LCMSU will still be meeting at the NC State Study Center though we are waiting for final confirmation. And as always, the group is open to college students from NCSU, Duke, UNC, and other local colleges, as well as young adults in the area.

Save the date for the first meeting of the 2026 Fall semester on **Friday, August 21!** There will be food and games before the evening closes with "Evening Prayer" and Holy Communion. We will also be installing Joseph Steiner at this meeting. Look for more details as we get closer to the date from Joseph.

Thank you all again for making LCMSU a part of your college life!

- Jonathan Madler

Children and Family Ministry

A colorful poster for "Rainforest Falls" Vacation Bible School. The central graphic features a waterfall in a lush rainforest, surrounded by various animals like a toucan, a monkey, a frog, and a leopard. The text is arranged around this central image. On the left, it asks for more information and provides two dates for info meetings. On the right, it details the VBS dates and a volunteer meeting. At the bottom right, there is a QR code for registration.

Serve at Vacation Bible School
June 22-26, 9 am to 12 noon
*additional help before is needed, too!

Need more information??
Attend a VBS Volunteer
Info Meeting

There will be 2 identical volunteer info meetings!
You pick one!
Sunday, May 17 at noon -OR-
Tuesday, May 26 at 7 pm.
Both will be held in the FLC room 151.

We are in need of volunteers & would love to have you join the Rainforest Falls VBS team!!

RAINFOREST FALLS
Exploring the Nature of God

VBS Volunteer Meeting
If you signed up to serve at VBS, this meeting is for YOU!!
Thursday, June 4 from 7-8 pm in the Church Fellowship Hall.

VBS registration for participants & volunteers!

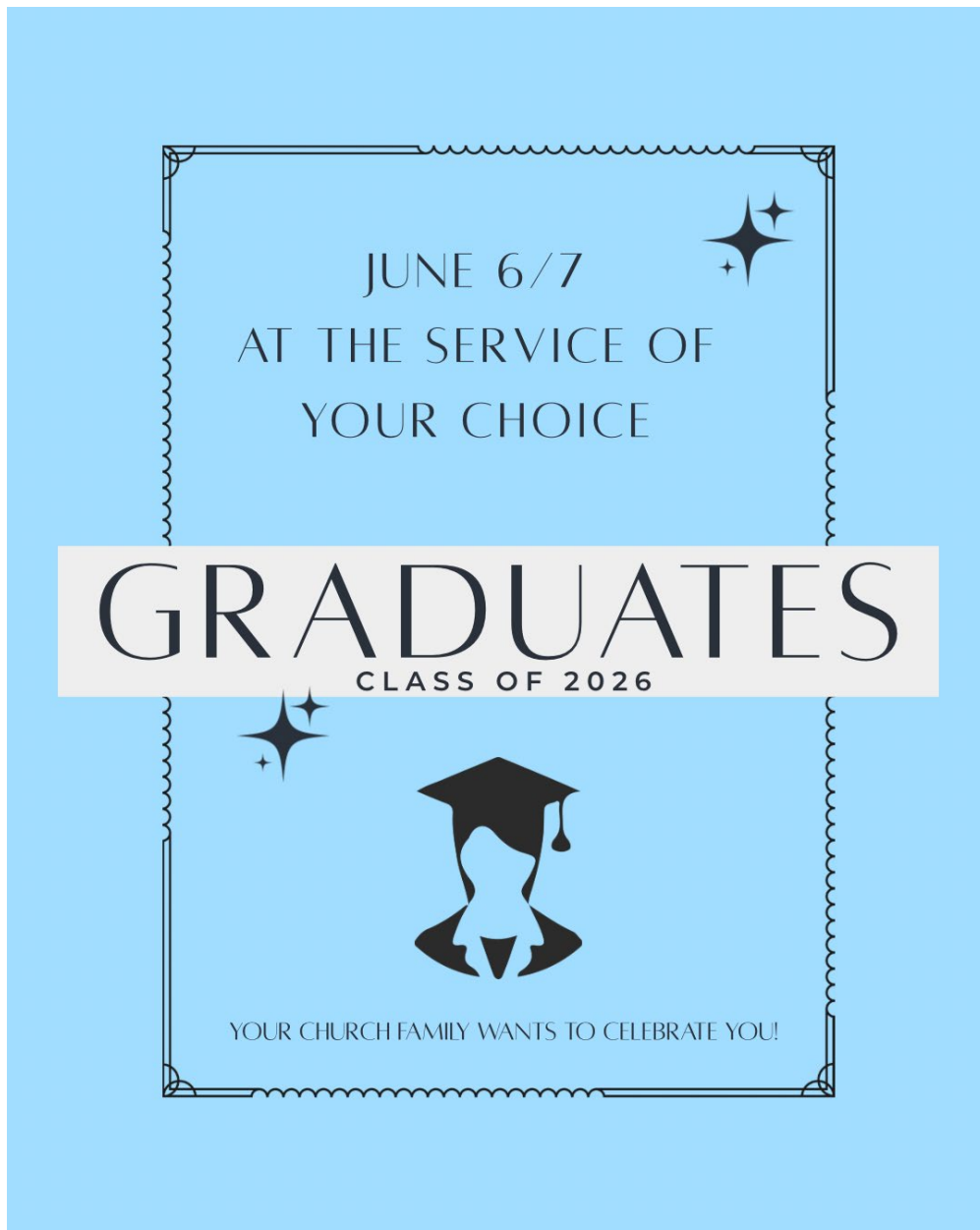
Register for VBS (Participants and Volunteers): bit.ly/3NapWKZ

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

Youth Ministry
Middle School and High School

Sunday, May 24:

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



Please email Jenny to confirm you will be in worship and what service you will be attending, so you can be recognized. If we are not expecting you, you may be missed.

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



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

Resurrection Lutheran School

Our 8th graders enjoyed a special field trip to Aquí Mero for lunch as an opportunity to practice their Spanish speaking skills and celebrate the many accomplishments they have achieved throughout the school year.

It was a fun afternoon filled with great food, conversation, laughter, and real-world learning as students used the language skills they have worked hard to develop this year. We are proud of this group and all they have accomplished both inside and outside of the classroom.



rlscary.org

Junior Kindergarten
-8th Grade

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

Latest Lion's Tale



For online services, connect through our YouTube channel at youtube.com/@ResurrectionLutheranCary 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 - Lynne Hoffman**

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, May 16

6:00 pm - 44

Sunday, May 17

8:00 am - 90

9:30 am - 153

11:00 am - 127

Total In-Person Worship: 414

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel:

Sunday, May 17

8:00 am - 95

11:00 am - 46

Total Online Views: 141

Financial Update - Fiscal 2024/25

April 2026

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$1,284,400

Actual Giving to Date: \$1,308,074

Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$23,674

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$1,266,666.67

Actual Expenses to Date: \$1,196,641.00

Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$70,025.67

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

Church Calendar



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Prayers of the Church – May 24, 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, Lyn Becksford

For Expectant Moms

Sarah Hulse, Alison Aiello

Those Prayed for on May 17, 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
- End of the Academic Year for Resurrection Lutheran School and Preschool
- College Graduates and Their Families
- Baby Sienna, Recovery from Cancer
- John and Molly's New Home
- Andrew's Birthday
- Van's Continued Recovery

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, Belle, Childhood Cancer
- *Clinton Peterson
- Khari Otten
- Henry, Grandson of *Mark and *Pat Otten
- Tommi
- Lorrie Muller, Cancer Treatment
- *Cheryl Roth
- 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, Physical Therapy
- *Dennis Merrill
- *Cecilia Brown, Rehab and Recovery
- *Sue Sanders
- Carolyn, Continued Healing
- Aunt Ruth, Heart Procedures
- Alex, Suzie, DeAnn, Breeann, Ethan, Gaylon, Ricky, Linda, Kathy, Steve, Fran, Bob, Roz, Matt, Knox, Nove, Brianne, Carol, Jim, Barb, David, Catherine, Stella, Madi, Gary, Kim, Jimmy, Mary, Ruth, Brittany, George, Trudy, Carolyn, Addison, Lily, Linda, Pam, Donna, Katie, Jamee, Cecilia, Darlene, Sara, Don, Gordon, Ashley, Elaine, Shelby, Noreen, Tim, Sharon, Bob, Jennings, Mark, Kelly, Joe, Jeri, Herbie, Jake, Barbara, Howard, Marty, Lyda, Bill, Julie, Audrey, Kathie, Brenda, Jack, Sandy, Josh and His Dad

For Comfort

- Family and Friends of Pamela Ashmore, Sister of *Jeff Ashmore
- For Former RLC Member, Carolyn Smith and Her Family on Death of Son
- Family and Friends of Vada Ewald, Mother of *Jennifer Bolte
- Family and Friends of Tom Turner

- Family and Friends of John Griffin, Especially Wife Ann
- Family and Friends of Sandy Keyser, Aunt of *Keith Leister
- Family and Friends of Larry Reed, Uncle of *Chris Reed

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, Especially Doug, Lori
- 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
- 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
- Heather Whitehurst
- For Much Needed Rain
- Kathy Siemon and Her Family
- College Students with Summer Internships
- JoLynn
- Norman
- Via de Cristo Mixed 112
- Garrett, Strength and Healing

- Jacob, To Find the Lord
- Steve, Strength and Healing

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
- Our Capital Campaign Process

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
- Discernment for Cross-Cultural Mission Engagement Team for Future Mission Trips
- Kairos Prison Ministry

For Our Missionaries

- JP and Aimee Cima, Cambodia
[Click Here for the Latest 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.*