

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 20, 2026



Pastor's Corner for September 20-26, 2026

Because of My Chains... (Philippians 1:12-30)

Nobody likes to encounter setbacks in life. But at times, even in the midst of our setbacks, life is beautiful.

There is a true story worth telling and retelling about a small church in Smyrna, Tennessee. The church had gotten down to less than 20 congregants. There wasn't enough money to keep things going. Talk about setbacks! The church had the advantage of a new pastor. But Rev. Michael Spurlock, fresh out of the seminary, faced the difficult and painful task of preparing the congregation to close down and sell its land. About that time a group of immigrant people, political refugees from Burma known as Karen (Kuh-REN) people who had settled there, came to the church to ask for help. Their setback was trying to

make it in a new land where they had found refuge from war and persecution. They wondered if they could use a portion of the church's land to plant vegetables to be harvested for food and income. As a result of that conversation, a relationship was born and lasts to this day! The church was able to secure funding for outreach to the Karen community. The immigrant population had a place to grow vegetables and even establish a community garden. Ten years later, the "tiny" church on the outskirts of Nashville had paid off its mortgage and still was providing homegrown vegetables for the community. There are two services there, in both English and Karen. It is all depicted in a film named after the tiny church: All Saints. What started out as people with different kinds of setbacks was made beautiful by God and for God's glory.

St. Paul wrote the beautiful letter called "Philippians" from a prison cell to the Christian community in Philippi. His setback, as a persecuted proclaimer of the gospel, was that he was a prisoner. He was, quite literally, "in chains" (1:14, NIV). I can't begin to imagine what a prison cell in the first century CE would have been like! Yet, according to St. Paul, this setback actually furthered the gospel of Christ. "Because of my chains," he writes, he was able to make connections with members of the palace guard. Because of his chains others with similar setbacks found courage and strength in their vocations as witnesses to the gospel. Because of his chains Paul would have a connection with members of the Christian community in Philippi—and with all readers of this letter today—who suffer. God brought and continues to bring people facing setbacks together. The crucified and risen Christ, the focus of the faith we share, is there with us and for us in the midst of our struggles.

It is not always easy or possible for us to see places in life that are beautiful in the midst of our setbacks. Sometimes it must be enough to recognize and take heart that the One who suffered, died, and lives again is with us in our places of struggle! But where Christ is found, hope is close at hand. Where Christ is present, new life is about to be born. And that is beautiful!

Peace and joy in Him,
Pastor Jonathan

Prayers of the Church

Gracious God,

We give thanks to You for our Resurrection Lutheran Church community that You have rooted in Your overflowing grace and guided by Your Word in this place since 1978.

We come before You, praying that You will continue to gift us to be a beacon of Your light and saving hope in Jesus Christ.

May our *Faith in Action* campaign be guided by You for the growth of Your kingdom. Help us make Your love known to those who need to know the love of Jesus.

We pray, Heavenly Father, that You will raise up faithful stewards of Your gifts and laborers for Your harvest.

In Jesus' holy name, we pray.
Amen.



Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, **September 19 and 20**. 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 W. Lochmere Drive, 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!

Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

Sunday School Stories... They're Not Just For Kids!

Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am ~ September 13-October 11

Fellowship Hall

Leader: Pastor Zach Sarrault

Creation, Noah's Ark, Jonah and the Whale, Daniel and the Lion's Den, these are some of the foundational Bible stories we are taught at a young age, then when you hit a certain age you don't hear them used a whole lot in the church. Why are we taught them as kids? Do they still matter to adults?

Join me, and bring your Bible, as we dig a little deeper into some of the "Bible classics" to see what God was doing then and how He still uses these stories today!

Monday

DivorceCare

Mondays, 6:30-8:30 pm ~ August 17-November 16

Room 140, Family Life Center

Leader: Sue Campau

Resurrection is hosting a DivorceCare support group on Monday evenings. 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.

Women of the Word (WOW) - Seen by God, Sent to See Others

Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm and Zoom Option ~ September 14-October 12

Room 151, Family Life Center

Contact: Jamee Thieme

Each week, we will discuss portions of the book, *Theo of Golden*, and use a companion Bible Study by author, Donna Snow. Participants should obtain their own copy of *Theo of Golden*. Copies of the Bible Study will be provided at class meetings. An identical class is offered on Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm in Room 151 starting September 9.

Tuesday

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Tuesdays, 10:30-11:30 am ~ September 8-May 25

Fellowship Hall

Leaders: 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 ~ Supper & Scripture

On Wednesdays, plan to join us for dinner, then stay for a variety of activities,

including adult Christian education classes, Confirmation, youth events, and music ministry rehearsals!

Christian Parenting - Questions They Ask

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm ~ September 9-April 21

Room 240, Family Life Center

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

Our kids ask us a lot of questions. Are we prepared to answer them? When was the last time we actually answered these questions for ourselves? As Christian parents, we want to be ready to answer the faith-filled questions our kids give us, answering them in a way that is faithful to God's Word. Who is God? What is the Trinity? When is Jesus coming back? Where is heaven? How do we pray? Why did He allow sin? Join us and bring your own questions as we grow in God's calling to be Christian parents.

This Is the Church

Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm ~ September 9-October 7

Room 251, Family Life Center

Leader: 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. Bring your Bible; a catechism will be provided.

Men's Ministry - A Study of Heroes of the Faith

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship at 6:30 pm) ~ September 9-23

Room 245, Family Life Center

Contact: Tom Gebbia

Are you curious about some of the less famous men and women in the Bible? Would you like to learn more about their lives, how they responded to God's

call, and how we can apply these lessons to our lives today? The Men's group will study and discuss some of these using the *Heroes of the Faith* Series of studies published by Concordia Publishing House.

We will study one person each week. We will learn about the cultural setting and life story of each person, examine the joys and challenges they faced and see how God forgave and empowered them. We will discuss how these lessons can apply to our lives as Christian men today. This year, we will learn about "quiet" heroes of the faith such as Hannah, Zacchaeus, Dorcas and John Mark. Led by Mark Otten.

Upcoming... God's Prophets (September 30-October 7)

The men who were God's prophets: a look at their challenges and their sufferings as well as the loving protection the Lord always provided them. Led by Larry Cameron.

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Pick up a copy of the Christian Education Booklet, Fall 2026, in services this weekend!

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

September 9: Danny's BBQ Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Hush Puppies, Cucumber Salad, Fruit and Banana Pudding

September 16: Roasted Chicken with Potatoes and Carrots, Broccoli Salad, Fruit and Pie

September 23: Jersey Mike's Subs, Chips, Fruit and Cookies

September 30: Taco Bar, Mexican Corn Salad, Fruit and Tres Leche Cake

All are welcome! Reservations requested by 12:00 pm on Monday each week.

[Click here to reserve!](#)

We are starting the new season with a clean slate for reservations! No "standing" reservations will be carried forward. If you plan to attend multiple dinners, make note in your reservation. You may also pay in advance.

Suggested donation of \$7 per person or \$25 per family. Cash, check, or card payable at door.

We are looking for more Wednesday Night Dinners helpers. We prep at 3:30 pm, cover tables at 4:15 pm, serve at 5:15 pm, and clean up at 6:00 pm. [Sign up today!](#)

Questions? Contact Kim Simpson through RCB or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org). We look forward to seeing you!

Music Ministry

Resurrection Lutheran Church's Music Ministry includes people of all ages, and all levels of musical ability and background. Together we give glory to God and serve as a blessing and inspiration to others through the use of our God-given talents in musical offerings. This year will be full of exciting, inspirational festivals and musical events.

Wednesday evening schedule for the year:

5:00 pm - Jubilee Bells (2nd-6th grades)

5:30 pm - Rainbow Choir (4 years-1st grade), Sonshine Singers (2nd-6th grade)

6:00 pm - Heavenly Handbells (high school-adults)

8:00 pm - Sanctuary Choir (high school-adults)

There are other musical opportunities available for anyone who wants to share their musical gifts, including Celebration Singers, *Reign!* Praise Band, and Resurrection Brass Ensemble.

Vocal and instrumental solos, duets, and ensembles are always welcome as musical offerings and/or pre-service music.

If you wish to participate or have any questions, contact Bob Unger, Director of Music Ministry Emeritus, at robert.unger@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248 ext. 25.

Men's Fellowship Night

The Men's Summer Fellowship events were so much fun, we decided to keep it going throughout the year!

Join us for our **Monday, September 21** event at 6:30 pm in Cary at VPizza (1389 Kildaire Farm Road).



Enjoyable evening for everyone at the August gathering!

Let's stay connected. All men invited. Do not have to eat or drink to attend.

Contact Tom Gebbia at mens-ministry@rlcary.org.

Food & Fellowship for the Blind



Resurrection's Ministry
for the Visually Impaired meets

Friday, September 25

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).

INKs Outing at Lochmere Lake

Walk & Talk

Saturday, September 26th • 9:00 AM

Meet at Java Jive

Across the street for coffee beforehand

What to expect

- Walk as long or as little as you want
- Fishing is allowed if you'd prefer to fish
- Prefer not to walk? Sit and chat at Java Jive

Open to all young adults that do not have kids. College age +

No RSVP needed — just show up!

Contact Kevin Kuhl through RCB or the church office
(919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

Children's Bible Distribution at Resurrection Lutheran Church

Bibles will be distributed in all Worship Services on **September 26-27**.
3 year olds and 2nd graders will be called forward during worship
to receive their very own Bible!



Traditional Services - Sanctuary

Saturday, 6:00 pm

Sunday, 8:00 am

Sunday, 9:30 am

Praise Worship Service

Family Life Center

Sunday, 11:00 am

For more information:
erika.hulse@rlcary.org



Saturday, September 26

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.

• YOUNG FAMILIES • *gathering*



Join us for food, fun, and fellowship on
Sunday, September 27 at 4:00 pm
at the home of Alex and Melanie Clarke (4208 Wyckford Place, Apex).

Please bring a side dish and/or dessert to share.

RSVP to Pastor Zach Sarrault or Alex and Melanie Clarke.



RESURRECTION LUTHERAN CHURCH
Stewardship of Life & Health

Personalized Health Counseling

Connect to health-care workers in our congregation for education and support

 MEDICATION REVIEW & EDUCATION Indications & Interactions	 PALLIATIVE & HOSPICE SUPPORT End-of-Life Care	 LACTATION & NEWBORN HEALTH Breastfeeding & Infant Care
 COMPLEX & CRITICAL ILLNESS Navigation & Care	 GENERAL HEALTH & NUTRITION Diet & Wellness	 FITNESS & ACTIVE LIVING Exercise & Activity

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

 1. SUBMIT BASIC QUESTION Submit basic question, name, & contact method	 2. GET CONNECTED Response in one week to schedule detailed call	SUBMIT YOUR QUESTION TO: lifeandhealth@rlcary.org
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Support, advocacy, and education only. Does not replace primary medical care or emergency services.

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.

Habitat for Humanity

Upcoming Habitat for Humanity build days for RLC! Resurrection is scheduled to help with two Habitat builds in October.

The first one is a half day wall build on **Saturday, October 3** at the Habitat Warehouse (3301 Jones Sausage Road, Garner). Arrive at 8:00 am.

The second opportunity in October is working at one of the new houses in the Hope Grove neighborhood in Garner on **Saturday, October 24**. The address is approximately 1504 Creech Road, Garner. Arrive at 8:00 am and end at 3:00 pm (you will need to bring your lunch).

The link to register is vhub.at/BelovedBuild. Scroll down to either October 3 or October 24 and click sign up.

Here is a tutorial, if you need help registering: [Volunteer Hub Registration Tutorial](#)

Just a reminder, you must be 16 to volunteer.

Contact Bud McCarty through RCB, or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).



Blessing of the Quilts

RLC Piecemakers are nearing the end their quilting year which culminates with the Blessing of the Quilts during all worship services on **October 3/4**.

They have already completed over 200 quilts ready to send to Lutheran World Relief for those in need. Everyone looks forward to this and the annual sale of quilts and crafted items before/after services that weekend.

We appreciate the fantastic support of this ministry by our congregation. And

hope you will mark your calendar and plan to attend. Several different, unique, and one-of-a-kind items will be available to purchase.



The Next Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

Friday, October 9

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 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/3VAtWWO

The next Coffeehouse is Friday, October 9 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center. *Replay* will be playing for us.

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



***Faith in Action* Prayer Vigil: Come Pray with Us!**

Join us on **Saturday, October 10 from 2:00-3:30 pm**. Come pray with us during the Prayer Vigil as we pray for our *Faith in Action* campaign.

You are invited to come to the Fellowship Hall first to receive a Prayer guide to use during your private prayer time.

You can pray privately in our Sanctuary, our Prayer Garden, or take a Prayer Walk around our church campus.

You can arrive anytime during the time period of the Vigil but we kindly request that you arrive no later than 3:15 pm that day.

If you can't join us in person, we suggest that you set aside a specific prayer time that day to pray for our *Faith in Action* campaign.



Sleep in Heavenly Peace

All children deserve a safe, comfortable place to lay their heads. Across the country, too many boys and girls go without a bed — or even a pillow — to sleep on. These children end up sleeping on couches, blankets, and even floors. This can affect their happiness and health.

SHP provides all the tools and expertise that allow people with little or no experience to build all the components for a solid, wood bunk bed. It is always a fun-filled half day that ends with branding the beds. Fellowship is wonderful and the ability to solve a problem for others leaves everyone feeling a bit better about the world!

Mark your calendars for the Sleep in Heavenly Peace **Bed Build Day** on **Saturday, October 17** from 9:00 am-12:00 pm in the church parking lot.

We will need many volunteers for the build. [Register today!](#)



Contact Sandy Douglas through RCB, or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).

September Children's Ministry News

Important Dates!

Sept. 9 1st Kidz Live in the GYM 6 pm

Sept. 12 Service Project - Nursery

Sept. 13 First Sunday School Class 9:30 am
in the lower elementary hall

Sept. 26-27 Bible Distribution *

Sept 30 Hands-on Bible Class (2nd graders
& parents) 5:30 pm room 240

Don't forget!

Please sign your children up for
Sunday School using the link below.



Milestone Bible Distribution

On September 26 & 27 in all services
3 year old and 2nd grade Bibles will
be distributed to children. Children
and parents will be called forward to
receive a Bible from the church staff.

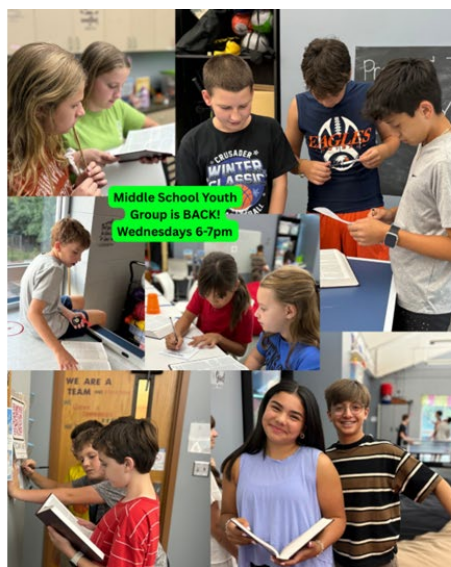


[Children's Sunday School Registration](#)

Thank you to all our volunteers, young and old, who joined the nursery clean up service project last Sunday. [Check out this adorable video!](#)

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



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

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool (RLP)

Why is RLP Special?

CHAPEL lead by Pastors & MUSIC/ MOVEMENT

*Weekly
for all
students*



CARPOOL DROP-OFF/ PICK-UP

Available for ALL ages!



rlpcary.org
ages 2-5 years

SCIENCE

*Weekly for
Students in
4-year-old and
Transitional-
Kindergarten
classes*



SPECIAL EVENTS

*Visits from:
Firefighters & Truck,
Police Officer,
Dental Hygienist*

RLP Events:

*Parent Night,
Fall Songfest,
Nativity Play,
Moms & Dads Day,
Water Day, End of Year Celebrations... to name a few*



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Resurrection Lutheran School



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

This Week's Visual Faith Children's Bulletin

Weekly Attendance

In-Person Worship Attendance:

Saturday, September 12

6:00 pm - 57

Sunday, September 13

8:00 am - 112

9:30 am - 166

11:00 am - 110

Total In-Person Worship: 445

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel:

Sunday, September 13

8:00 am - 125

11:00 am - 72

Total Online Views: 197

Financial Update

With the start of the *Faith In Action* campaign, the 'Campus Maintenance Initiative' fund has been discontinued, as its purpose now overlaps with the campaign. Any ongoing contributions will be credited to the *Faith In Action* fund instead.

If you have automated contributions set up for CMI, please review your settings and make any necessary adjustments to either discontinue them or redirect them to *Faith In Action*.

August 2026

Budgeted Giving to Date: \$246,515

Actual Giving to Date: \$238,384

Current Over/(Under) Giving: \$(8,131)

Budgeted Expenses to Date: \$258,757

Actual Expenses to Date: \$257,393

Current Under/(Over) Spend: \$1,364

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

Church Calendar



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Prayers of the Church – September 20, 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, Paul Batt, *Geoffrey Wiggins, Caitlyn, Mark Zimmerman, Justus Nicolai, Alex Fernandez, Dan

Ongoing Cancer Treatments

*Mike Allen, Anne Price, Angie Price, Alison Zieglmeier, Carol Diliberto, Jackie, 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, Steve Press

For Expectant Moms

Cassie Melsom, Victoria Ghiold

Those Prayed for on September 13, 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
- Resurrection Lutheran School and Resurrection Lutheran Preschool, New Years
- Wake County Public Schools, New Year
- Our Cambodian Mission Team
- New Christian Education Classes at RLC
- Thanksgiving for Safe Travel

For Healing

- *Kim Goss
- All Those Who Have Illnesses - COVID, RSV, Flu, Viruses
- Blind Ministry Guests - Helen Rice-Lyles, Daria Radford, Mary Williams, Judy Dean, Kathy Stegall, Norma McCord
- *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
- Clare Roberts, Recovery, Mother of *Michelle Wood
- *Charlotte Raines
- Cynthia Wyse
- *Fern Frusti
- Deb, Sister of *Pam Dickson
- Hayes, Belle, Childhood Cancer
- *Clinton Peterson
- Khari Otten
- Henry, Grandson of *Mark and *Pat Otten
- Tommi
- Lorrie Muller, Cancer Treatment
- Mike Hodgin
- Justin Shellaway, Brain Tumor Treatment
- Donna Day, Pancreatic Cancer Treatment
- Dave Koester, ALS, and Wife Ruth
- *Trudy Haertling, Recovery
- *Dennis Merrill, Recovery
- *Sue Sanders
- Carolyn, Continued Healing
- Evelyn Bloom
- Kale, Stomach Cancer Treatment
- Glenda Moser
- *Vern Ebert
- *Devin Hilldale
- *Mary Newhouse
- *Anne Altieri
- Tricia Bradley, Recovery
- Steve Press, Healing
- *Jan Wozniak
- Anita, Carol, Fran, Kathy, Matt, Knox, Barb, Mike, Nove, Brianne, Judy, Ricky, Jean, Gaylon, Linda, Karen, Carly, Grayson, Paul, Debra, Emily, Catherine, David, Greta, Cecilia, James, Susan, Britany, Steve, Jan, Carmella, Marie, Addison, Lily, Jan, Yvette, Pam, Andrea, Alex, Laverne, Joe, Herbi, Jeri, Bill, Darlene, Jack, Sandy, Bill, Julie, Patty, Juke, Justin, Vivien, Barbara, Brad, Donna, Sara, Eric, Paige, Virginia, Don

For Comfort

- Family and Friends of *Robert Cotton, Especially Wife *Sally
- Family and Friends of Matt Siver, Friend of *Chris Alladin
- Family and Friends of Dick Huffman

For Provision, Peace, Strength, and Patient Endurance

- Persecuted Christians
- World Peace
- Cambodia Lutheran Church
- 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
- 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
- Those Enduring Marriage Struggles and Families in Turmoil, Resolutions
- 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
- Our Government and Leaders
- Jeri Breitsprecher, Mother of *Sue Campau, Managing Mental Decline and Guidance for Her Family
- Those in the Process of Selling Homes for Aging Parents, Plus Related Family Matters
- 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
- Those Struggling with Addiction
- Those with Mental Health Issues
- *Cheryl Roth
- Keith Whitehurst
- Steve Skog, and His Mother Mary Taking Care of Him
- Carli, Recovery from Addiction
- Richard and Rosemary Staley
- Jim and Margaret Ryan
- *Mindy and *Marty Stephani
- Survivors and the Lost of 9/11
- Preparations for Via de Cristo Mixed 112

- First Responders and Military

For the Lord's Wisdom, Guidance, Strength for the Health and Well-Being of the People They Serve

- Pastor Jonathan and Juli, Associate Pastor Zach and Kelsey, Assistant Pastor Alan and Faith, and Their Families
- Pastor Alan Shaw, Intentional Interim Pastor at Peace Lutheran Church, Goldsboro NC
- 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, Facilitators and Participants, New Group Beginning in August
- Our *Faith in Action* Capital Campaign with Thanksgiving for Campaign Team Volunteers

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
- Cross-Cultural Mission Engagement Team
- Long-Term Impact of Leadership Training, Sponsored by RLC for Pastors, Teachers, and Lay Leaders of the Cambodia Lutheran Church
- Cambodia Mission Trip Team for February 2027
- 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.*