Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost
October 18, 2026



Pastor's Corner for October 18-24, 2026

Whose Likeness Is This?
(Matthew 22:15-22)

In our Gospel reading for this weekend, we find a group of people asking Jesus a question. It's a "gotcha" question. They want to trap Him. They ask him a seemingly innocent question—a simple "either-or" question—meant to get Jesus in trouble no matter how He responds: "Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar…or not?" Jesus' reply? Another question! "Whose likeness and inscription are [on this coin]?" He asks. "Caesar's," comes the response. "Therefore, render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." Jesus doesn't place Himself within the boundaries of his opponents' "either…or" question. Though "the things that are God's" include "the things that are Caesar's," Jesus' answer recognizes the claim of both kingdoms—earthly and heavenly, to one degree or another—on the citizens of the world.

2000 years later, the inscription, image, or likeness of earthly rulers still adorn our greenbacks and coinage. As I write this on the IRS deadline for all 2025 tax payments to the United States Treasury (October 15), I can well relate to the

necessity of “rendering unto Caesar”! But what does it mean to “render…to God the things that are God’s”? The Psalmist writes, “The earth is the Lord’s and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it” (Ps 24:1). If taxes are a burden I’d rather not pay, rendering to God what is rightfully God’s is a burden far beyond what I—or anyone else—could ever hope to render! All that we have…and all that we are…is God’s. Jesus’ answer to His opponents points to the debt far greater than they or anyone else listening to Jesus could repay: the debt caused by our own misdeeds and LACK of faithfulness.

Thanks be to God that God’s perfect image and likeness rested on One who would make the heavenly payment we could not. Jesus did just that, not with perishable things like silver and gold, not with money bearing the name of earthly rulers, but with His own precious blood—the sacrifice of the King of Heaven…the Son of God…for us! (1 Peter 1:18-19)! Our sins are forgiven. Our eternal debt has been paid. Jesus Christ, crucified and risen from the dead has won an eternal inheritance for us! And now, as people created in the image and likeness of God which has been made new in Christ Jesus, we have opportunity to live out the results of that divine transaction for the human beings around us who have also been created in the divine image, like us.

Won’t you join us again this weekend as we celebrate the gift of debts paid and sins forgiven?

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.

Faith in Action

Baptized on Saturday, October 17 at 6:00 pm

Shepard Brady Shaw

born July 18, 2026,
son of David Shaw and Carolyn Shaw.

Godparents are Kevin Shaw and Ellen Berg.

May God's blessing be upon Shepard Brady as he grows in his baptismal grace.

Staff Anniversaries for 2026

Join us as we celebrate the staff anniversaries occurring this year at all services this weekend!

At Resurrection, we celebrate individual anniversaries on a five-year interval basis.

This year, we celebrate **Pastor Alan Shaw** (5 years), **Pastor Zach Sarrault** (5 years), and **Susan Moore** (10 years) for their years of service!

Mites for Missions

We will be collecting Mites for Missions at all services this weekend, **October 17 and 18**. 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!



Sign Up for Altar Flowers!

Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study
New **The Prophets: God's Oracles**
Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am ~ October 18-December 20
Fellowship Hall
Led by Larry Cameron

This series of classes will examine the major themes of the books of the prophets. Topics include humanity's core problem, God's perfect justice, the goal of restoration, and God's desire for a permanent dwelling place among His people. The names and titles by which God presents Himself and the key metaphors He uses also reveal much about the God whom we worship.

Those attending need bring only their Bibles. Additional handouts will be provided.

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.

New **Women of the Word (WOW) - Ordinary Lives, Extraordinary Grace**
Mondays, 7:00-8:00 pm and Zoom Option ~ October 19-November 16
Room 151, Family Life Center
Contact: Jamee Thieme

Each week, we'll discuss portions of the book *Ordinary Lives*, *Extraordinary Grace* by Martha Vanbuskirk. Participants should obtain their own copy of the book, available through Amazon or Concordia Publishing House.

Identical class is offered on Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm in Room 151.

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.

Why We're Lutheran: The Augsburg Confession
Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00 pm ~ October 14-November 18
Room 251, Family Life Center
Leaders: Matt and Tiffany Oettinger, Pastor Jonathan Blanke

Rooted in Scripture, the Augsburg Confession remains a clear summary of what Lutherans believe and confess nearly 500 years after it was written. In this six-week class, we'll explore together some of the biggest questions of the Christian faith. Along the way, we'll dig into Scripture, discover the fascinating history that shaped the Reformation, and see how Lutheran beliefs compare with other Christian traditions.

Whether you've been Lutheran your whole life or are still wondering what exactly makes a Lutheran, well, Lutheran, join us as we discover why it still matters and what it means for us today.

Suggested Materials:
The Augsburg Confession/Concordia Reader's Edition, The Book of Concord, Complete Book of Concord includes Augsburg Confession - all can be found at Concordia Publishing House (CPH).

Men's Ministry
Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 pm (Fellowship at 6:45 pm)
Room 245, Family Life Center
Contact: Tom Gebbia

***Nurturing Faith: Journey Through* series** is a Bible study based on the Project Connect booklet. These four sessions consider each topic, and how we can examine it and navigate through it using God's Word and thoughtful strategies.

Schedule:
October 14 - Nurturing Your Faith: Journey Through Anxiety
***October 21 - Bonfire with Devotion at the Fire Pit (Parking Lot)**
October 28 - Nurturing Your Faith: Journey Through Depression
November 4 - Nurturing Your Faith: Journey to Freedom
*November 11 - No Class, Veterans Day
November 18 - Nurturing Your Faith: Journey Out of The Rat Race

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

Emmaus Way Walkers

The Emmaus Way Walkers have adjusted their schedule for the cooler weather! Plan to meet **Wednesdays, 9:00 am** in the Java Jive parking lot (across from the church).

All are welcome! Bring your kids and dogs for light exercise, coffee, and conversation.

Contact Lyle Malotky through RCB, or church office (office@rlcary.org, 919-851-7248).

Wednesday Evening Dinners

Join us for dinner on **Wednesdays, 5:15-6:00 pm** in the Family Life Center Gym!

Dinners are prepared for all ages with a buffet-style setup including dessert. There can be a vegetarian option upon request. Excellent opportunity to bond with family and friends, new and old, over a sit-down meal!

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

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

Menu
October 21: Chinese from Sushi Iwa, Salad, Fruit, and Ice Cream with Fortune Cookies
October 28: Soup & Chili, Salad, Fruit, Bread, Pie
November 4: Swedish Meatballs with Noodles, Salad, Fruit, and Cake
November 11: No Dinner (Veterans Day)
November 18: Lasagna from Momma Mia's, Salad, Fruit, Garlic Bread, and Cherry Cheesecake

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!



Meet in the 3rd row of the church parking lot. Bring a chair and a beverage. Please contact Tom Gebbia at mens-ministry@rlcary.org.

Christmas Carol Celebration

A Christmas Carol Celebration accompanied by an orchestra and including the singing of familiar carols - Silent Night, Angels We Have Heard on High, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing, Joy to the World, O Come All Ye Faithful, special music, and narrative; will be presented at the 8:00 and 9:30 am Worship Services on **Sunday, December 13**.

All youth and adults are encouraged to participate in this exciting preparation for Christmas. Rehearsals for the Christmas Carol Celebration are scheduled for **Wednesdays, 8:00-8:30 pm**. A choral “dress” rehearsal is scheduled for Saturday, December 12 at 11:30 am.

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.

Habitat for Humanity

Upcoming Habitat for Humanity build day for RLC! This day 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 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.



Lyle, Cathy, Caitlyn, Kelly, Alan, Bud, and Mark

This group helped build the wall for a future Habitat home on October 3rd.

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

Habitat for Humanity® Greater Raleigh

• YOUNG FAMILIES •
gathering



Join us for food, fun, and fellowship on
Sunday, October 25 at 4:00 pm
(or right after Fall Festival)
at the home of the Sherouse family
(113 Merry Hill Drive, Cary).

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

RSVP to Pastor Zach Sarrault or Oliver and Maggie Sherouse.

Lutheran Witness Subscription

It is time to renew (or start) your Lutheran Witness subscription. This church magazine has timely, informative articles about the faith life of fellow Missouri Synod Lutherans.

The cost is $26 annually. Make checks payable to RLC and either use the designated offering envelope or note "Lutheran Witness" in memo. **Deadline is October 25.**

New members to RLC receive a one-year free subscription.

Men's Fellowship Night

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



Great time in September!

This month, we are meeting on **Thursday, October 29** at 6:30 pm at Bond Brothers in Cary (202 East Cedar Street).

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, October 30

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).

Sleep in Heavenly Peace
Rescheduled Due to Weather!

Sleep in Heavenly Peace ***DOUBLE*** **Bed Build Day** will now be held on **Saturday, October 31** from 9:00 am-12:00 pm in the church parking lot.

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!

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).

Schedule Changes for 11:00 am and Live Stream

Please note the following schedule change for Holy Communion at 11:00 am and the Live Stream:

Starting **November 1**, the Holy Communion schedule at 11:00 am will change from its current position at 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sundays to 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays. So Holy Communion for the month of November at the 11:00 am worship will be November 1, 15, and 29.

This allows the balance of Communion/Non-Communion worship live streams to adjust properly once we move to worship live streams at 9:30 am and 11:00 am in November.

The live stream schedule will change from the 8:00 am service to the 9:30 am service, starting **November 15**. This change shortens the work time of the live stream team on Sundays.

Bagel Bunch for Men

Bagel Bunch is a group of men that meet **Tuesdays, 7:30-9:00 am** for coffee and fellowship.

They are enjoying their time at Asali Desserts & Cafe in MacGregor Village, Cary, but will be heading indoors for the cooler weather!

As of **Tuesday, November 3**, the Bagel Bunch will meet in the back room of IHOP Cary (1301 Kildaire Farm Road).

All men are welcome, come when you can. Hope to see you there!

Contact Don Martin or Lyle Malotky through RCB, or the church office (919-851-7248, office@rlcary.org).



Make your appointment today!

The Next Coffeehouse for Special Needs Adults

Friday, November 13

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/3VAtWW0

The last 2026 Coffeehouse is Friday, November 13 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Family Life Center. *Will Woltz* will be playing for us.

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

Resurrection Women's Ministries

Preparing for Jesus: An Advent Tea

Saturday, December 5

12:00-2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Join your adult sisters-in-Christ for a time of fellowship, encouragement, and faith building, as we prepare our hearts and minds for this upcoming Advent season. (For Women of RLC and Their Guests)

Tickets are $10 each with support from Thrivent Financial. Any excess funds will go towards LWML Mites for Missions.

Please bring your own teacup or mug. Registration deadline is Sunday, November 15.

Interested in volunteering? Many hands make light work - thanks for considering!

Look for registration forms for participants and volunteers soon!

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.





Sign up here!

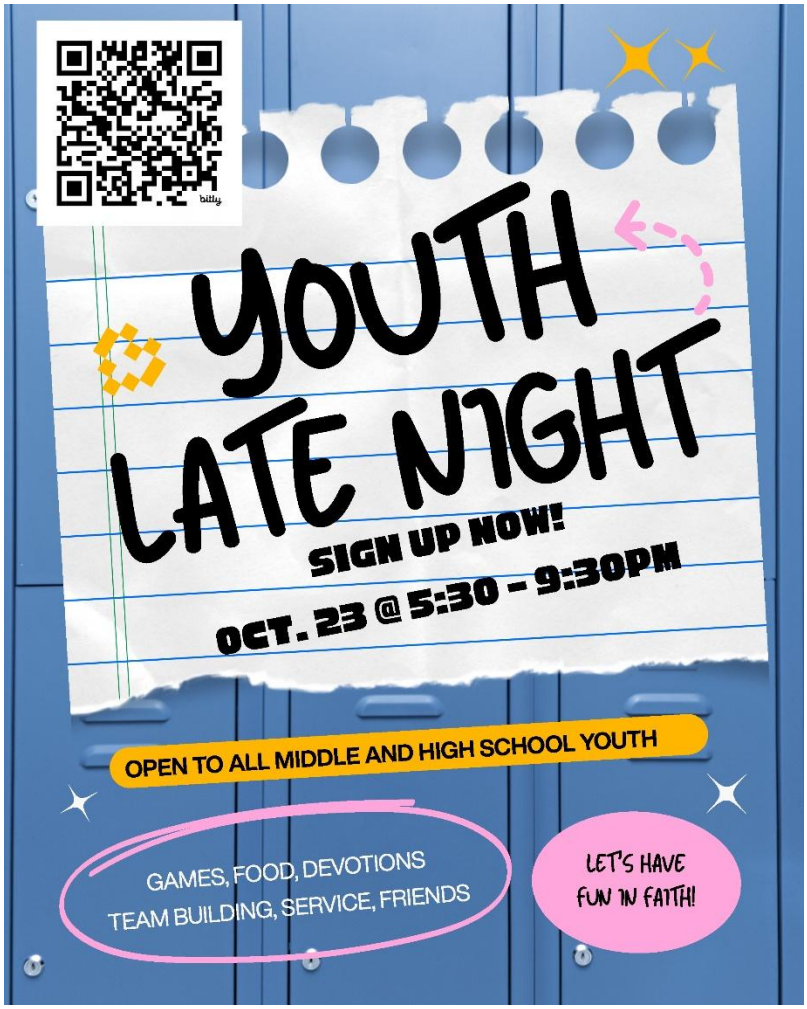
Questions? Contact Erika Hulse, Children and Family Ministry Director, at erika.hulse@rlcary.org or 919-851-7248, ext. 62.

Youth Ministry

Middle School and High School

Don't forget to sign up for **Youth Late Night on October 23!** We also could use more helpers.





Sign up now!

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

Resurrection Lutheran Preschool



rlpcary.org
ages 2-5 years

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

Resurrection Lutheran School







rlscary.org
Junior Kindergarten-8th Grade

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

Latest Lion's Tale



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, October 10
6:00 pm - 58

Sunday, October 11
8:00 am - 76
9:30 am - 149
11:00 am - 108

Total In-Person Worship: 391

Views of Online Worship at RLC's YouTube Channel:

Sunday, October 11
8:00 am - 238
11:00 am - 122

Total Online Views: 360

Financial Updates

For any contributions coming from a 3rd party, such as a financial institution, directly to the church, we don't always know who that is coming from or for what purpose.

If you have your financial institution send us a check, please advise the amount and purpose via an email directly to finance@rlcary.org.

Our RLC Finance team is continuing to expand and has opportunities to serve. If

you have any background in Accounting, Finance, or Healthcare Benefits, we may have ways for you to serve.

There are opportunities both large and small, and if you have any interest or questions, please contact Mike Hahne at treasurer@rlcary.org.

September 2026

Budgeted Giving to Date: $369,773
Actual Giving to Date: $364,078
Current Over/(Under) Giving: $(5,695)

Budgeted Expenses to Date: $388,135
Actual Expenses to Date: $383,681
Current Under/(Over) Spend: $4,454

Questions? Contact finance@rlcary.org.

Church Calendar

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Prayers of the Church – October 18, 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

*Victoria Ghiold, *Melainey Campos

Those Prayed for on October 11, 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
- The Piecemakers Ministry and Amazing Colors They Added to Our Sanctuary and Family Life Center!
- Monthly Ladies Fellowship Luncheon
- *Faith in Action* Commitment Sunday
- *Faith in Action* Prayer Vigil
- Birth of Aurora Rose Melsom, Parents Stephen and Kassi Melsom

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
- *Sue Sanders
- Carolyn, Continued Healing
- Evelyn Bloom
- *Vern Ebert
- *Anne Altieri
- Steve Press, Healing
- *Jan Wozniak
- *Anita Moore
- Herbie Campau, Continued Healing
- *Gar Johnson
- Traci Huffman, Recovery
- Donna Alvarado, Recovery
- Lyn B., Wisdom and Discernment for Doctors
- Mark Zimmerman, Wisdom and Discernment for Doctors
- *Diane and *Terry Cuper
- Julie, Bob, Fran, Lois, James, Gary, George, Kim, Gary, Karen, Carly, Grayson, Debra, John, Mike, Andy, Diane, Terry, Steve, Tiffany, Emily, Cecilia, Greta, Wilma, Clint, Richard, Rosemary, Lois, Walter, Trudy, Bill, Darlene, Virginia, Marti, Ron, Hazel, Joe, Jeri, Herbi, Laverne, Eric, Mara, Paige, Justin, Jack, Sandy, Graham, Brenda

For Comfort

- Family and Friends of Private First-Class Ethan Brewer, Army, Especially Family Friends, *Piontek Family
- Family and Friends of Bob Bruce, Father of Beth Schleusener
- Family and Friends of Jacob Hudson, Cousin of Paul N.

- Family and Friends of Michelle Ridley, Step-Sister of *Steve Best
- Family and Friends of Gene Haertling, Brother of *Pastor Dan Haertling
- Family and Friends of Barbara Bruening Unger, Mother of *Bob Unger

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
- Those Enduring Marriage Struggles and Families in Turmoil, Resolutions
- Those Seeking Jobs and Career Changes
- Victims, Families, and Communities Suffering with Gun Violence
- *Jim and *Thelma Rhodes
- *Anita Moore
- *Rundle Family
- Marion Cecconi, Mother of *Lecia Cecconi-Roberts
- Our Government and Leaders
- Jeri Breitsprecher, Mother of *Sue Campau, Managing Mental Decline, Guidance for 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
- 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
- Carli, Recovery from Addiction
- Richard and Rosemary Staley
- Jim and Margaret Ryan
- *Mindy and *Marty Stephani
- *Ben Nissing, Deployment with Army National Guard, and Wife *Erin
- Peace Lutheran Church, Goldsboro and Their New Interim Pastor
- People of Western North Carolina, Flooding

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
- 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

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.

***RLC Members** *Updated 10/16/26*