

**WELCOME!** We are pleased to have you worship with us today! Please join us for coffee and snacks in the fellowship hall after worship today.

**VISITORS:** Please sign the attendance register as it is passed during worship. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to a member of our Congregational Council, or the folks at the welcome center in the entryway of the church. During the offering, you are welcome to give, but please do not feel obligated. You are our guest today.

**HOLY COMMUNION:** We believe that Holy Communion is the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ. It is given in, with and under the earthly elements of bread and the fruit of the vine. We welcome all baptized Christians who believe our Lord's words: "given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins" to come and receive the Lord's Supper. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice are also available. If you are not yet baptized, we encourage you to come forward and receive a blessing. The gifts of God for the people of God!

**BRING THE CHILDREN TO ME:** We are pleased to provide activity bags for children of two different age groups at the church entrance on a weekly basis. The bags include crayons, scratch paper and an age-appropriate activity bulletin that is built around the Gospel lesson for the day. Please take a bag and return it after service so we can refill it for the next Sunday.

**MEMBERSHIP:** If you have interest in becoming a member of Resurrection Lutheran Church, please complete a membership application which can be found in the entryway of the church at the welcome center or in the racks in the entryway or fellowship hall.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** Prayer is powerful and can be a tremendous help for those in need. If you have a prayer request, or if you are interested in being a member of our prayer chain, please contact Joan Lavoie at 354-8819. All your prayer requests will be kept in confidence among those in the prayer chain.

Welcome and sharing of the peace

Praise Singing                      "Great is the Lord"  
   "Rejoice, Rejoice Believers"  
   Prayer  
   "Prepare Our Hearts"

Children's Sermon                      "Jesus Loves Me"

Scripture Lessons                      Jeremiah 33:14-16 (p.1234)  
   Psalm 25:1-10 (p. 860)  
   1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 (p. 1836)  
   "Halle, Halle, Halle"  
   Luke 21:25-36 (p. 1637)  
Sermon                                      Pastor Phil Phifer

Hymn of the Day                      "Jesus Messiah"

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the Church

Offering                                  "Trust in You"

Confession and forgiveness

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Benediction                              "Echo Benediction"

Closing Hymn                          "Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"

## CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL:

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**CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES:** If you would like to have copies of approved Congregational Council minutes including financial reports, please send Julie [julie@rlca.us](mailto:julie@rlca.us) an email and she will put you on a list to regularly receive them, or simply stop by the office and pick up a copy.

**CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING:** The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 pm

## STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Director – Worship and Music



*Saved by Grace Alone  
Through Faith Alone  
Because of Christ Alone*

**We are committed to being rooted in the Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions while working to fulfill Christ's Great Commission to go and make disciples of all nations. We have a great respect for the reality that the church is where the people of God gather together around Word and Sacrament and then go forth to live as witnesses to His love and mercy.**

**December 2, 2018**

Resurrection Lutheran Church of Alpena  
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*Affiliated with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)*

### **This Week at RLCA**

Sunday, December 2.....9:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School  
and fellowship  
4:00 pm – Resurrection Youth

Monday, December 3.....5:30 pm – Feeding Kids Packing (Northwood)

Tuesday, December 4.....2:00 pm – Tuesday Bible study

Wednesday, December 5.....7:30 am – staff meeting  
4:30 pm – confirmation class  
6:30 pm – Ambidextrous Christianity  
6:45 pm – Joining Jesus Show Me How

Thursday, December 6.....8:00 am – men’s Bible study  
4:00 pm – worship team rehearsal  
6:30 pm – Divinity on Draft

Friday, December 7.....6:00 pm – A Woman’s Heart

Sunday, December 9.....9:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School  
and fellowship  
4:00 pm – Resurrection Youth

### **ATTENDANCE AND GIVING FOR NOVEMBER 19-25, 2018:**

Worship attendance: 82  
Offering: \$4011.35

**FEEDING KIDS GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19-25:** \$1070.00

### **SERVING TODAY:**

Phil Phifer – Pastor  
Greg Altman, Don Grabiell, Mark Hamann, Jennifer Phifer, Rocky and Ginny  
Roland, Beth Strong and Julie Wood – Worship and Music Leaders  
Linda Kitzman– Reader  
Nancy Coombs – Assisting Minister  
Pastor Herb and Linda Kitzman – Ushers  
Gunner and Gauge Moe – Communion Cups  
Steve and Diane Diamond – Greeters  
Al Dziesinski – Audio/Visual Technician  
Annette Kindt – Worship set-up  
Greg and Linda LaHaie, Lori Muszynski – Fellowship

**PRAYERS:** We remember in our prayers: Bob Sullivan, Theresa  
Vrendenburg, Jerry Urlaub, Tom Lavoie, Bob Morgan, Mike Chadkewicz, Carl  
Pilarski, Sandi Skaluba, Ben Sharpe, Bob McManus, Beverly Attwell, Leonard  
Kemnitz, Dennis R. Diamond, J.R. Fugate, Mark Kandow and the men and  
women working to unlock the chains of addiction. For those in the military  
and civilian services, may God guard and protect them as they guard and  
protect us: Lauren Hoeksema, Todd Horne, Jake Strong, Josh Root, Brandon  
Brewington, Leland Swift, Roy C. Johnson, David Kloft, Mandy Killingbeck,  
Jason Michael Duggar, Lance and Hilary Bovee, Justin Besgrove and Aaron  
Jarvi. *To add a name, please send an email to [julie@rlca.us](mailto:julie@rlca.us) or call 354-7522.*

**FOR STUDY AT HOME:** The scripture readings for next Sunday are Malachi  
3:1-7b, Psalm 66:1-12, Philippians 1:2-11 and Luke 3:1-14.

**BIRTHDAYS:** Jan Kaiser, Patti MacNeill, Rhianna Kaszubowski and Elizabeth  
Kindt celebrate a birthday this coming week. Happy Birthday to you all!

**KELLY PRENA – KENYA MISSION TRIP:** Kelly Prena recently returned from a personal mission trip to Kenya. She will be here today, December 2<sup>nd</sup> to share about her experience there during fellowship time. Plan to attend to see how God is working through Kelly with the folks in Kenya.

**CALLING ALL BAKERS:** We are in need of Christmas cookies on December 9th for our junior & senior high youth to deliver to our neighbors on, Sunday, **December 9th**. Please drop off marked cookies in the fellowship hall. Our youth will be making Christmas candy to add to the deliveries. Please call Jolie at 657-1335 with any questions. Thank you!

**ADVENT WORSHIP:** We will be holding Advent worship this year on Thursdays. We will have a meal at 5:30 pm and worship at 6:30 pm. on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Come join us for some fellowship, Advent activity and worship.

**DECEMBER SERVICE PROJECT –SUNRISE MISSION:** We will be bringing our offerings this month to folks in need at the Sunrise Mission in Alpena. The Sunrise Mission is a God-centered, God-driven and God-blessed organization, actively and sacrificially carrying out His will. While residents find a way back out of their homelessness, we can show them God's love through our gifts of:

- Queen and single sheets and pillow cases, new pillows
- Kleenex, garbage bags, dish and laundry soap and softener
- Full size shampoo and crème rinse
- Diapers and wipes
- Socks, deodorant, razors, shaving cream and liquid hand soap
- Towels/washcloths
- Meat for the freezer, canned beef, chicken, venison or processed fish

**HEALING KITS:** In order to complete our healing kits to drop off at the Alpena Cancer Center, we are still in need of several items! This list includes, devotion books, socks, lotion (alcohol free), chap stick, crosses, journals, water. If you would like to assist in the purchase of these items or would like to donate toward these kits, please contact Jolie 657-1335. Thank you!

## **Mission Notes**

**What did God's Word or the message say today?**

**Where is God leading me to act?**

**Where does this lead me in prayer?**