**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.

**<u>VISITORS</u>**: 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 "Open the Eyes of my Heart" Praise Singing "Come Just as You Are" Praver "I Exalt Thee" Children's Sermon "Books of the Old Testament" Scripture Lessons Genesis 45:3-15 (p. 74) Psalm 103:1-13 (p. 938) 1 Corinthians 15:21-26, 30-42 (p. 1788) "Halle, Halle, Halle" Luke 6:27-38 (p. 1603) Pastor Phil Phifer Sermon "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" Hymn of the Day Nicene Creed Prayers of the Church Offering "Eagle's Wings" Confession and forgiveness Words of Institution "Eat This Bread" Lord's Prayer "How Beautiful" Communion **Benediction** "A Blessing" **Closing Hymn** "Build Your Kingdom Here"

## CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL:

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**<u>CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES</u>**: If you would like to have copies of approved Congregational Council minutes including financial reports, please send Julie 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.

**<u>CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING:</u>** The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 pm

### **STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Pastor Phil Phifer – <u>pastorphil@rlca.us</u>, (989) 278-9817 Director – Faith Development Director – Pastoral Ministries

Julie Wood – julie@rlca.us, (989) 657-6887 Director – GO Ministries Director – RLCA School of Music Director – Worship and Music 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.

#### February 24, 2019

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#### This Week at RLCA

Sunday, February 24.....9:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship 10:30 am – Medilodge worship 4:00 pm – Resurrection Youth

Monday, February 25.....5:30 pm – Feeding Kids Packing (School Success)

Tuesday, February 26.....2:00 pm – Tuesday Bible study 5:30 pm – Embrace Grace

- Wednesday, February 27......7:30 am staff meeting 4:30 pm -- confirmation
- Thursday, February 28......8:00 am men's Bible study 4:00 pm – worship team rehearsal 6:30 pm – Divinity on Draft
- Friday, March 1.....6:30 pm Daniel study

Sunday, March 3......9:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship 4:00 pm – Resurrection Youth 6:00 pm – God, Guns and Grub

#### ATTENDANCE AND GIVING FOR FEB. 11-17, 2019:

Worship attendance: 102 Offering: \$2876.10

#### FEEDING KIDS GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 11-17: \$120.00

#### SERVING TODAY:

Phil Phifer - Pastor
Greg Altman, Don Grabiel, Mark Hamann, Jennifer Phifer, Beth Strong and Julie Wood – Worship and Music Leaders
Dawn DesChamps – Reader
Scott Thayer – Assisting Minister
Judy Langerfeld and Sandy Samp– Ushers
Trevor Baur and Aiden Olsen – Communion Cups
Jay and Stephanie Walterreit family – Greeters
Al Dziesinski – Audio/Visual Technician
Stacy Bauer and Jolie Danielson – Worship set-up
Jolie Danielson and Tracey Pederson – Fellowship

**PRAYERS:** We remember in our prayers the family and friends of Leonard Kemnitz, husband of Gladys Kemnitz and the family and friends of Dennis Diamond, brother of Mark Diamond. We also remember Guy Sork, LeeAnn Wooster, Kriste Kihn Poel, Robert Lang, Bob Sullivan, Theresa Vrendenburg, Jerry Urlaub, Tom Lavoie, Mike Chadkewicz, Carl Pilarski, Sandi Skaluba, Bob McManus, Beverly Attwell, 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, Leland Swift, 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 or call 354-7522.* 

**FOR STUDY AT HOME:** The scripture readings for next Sunday are Deuteronomy 34:1-12, Psalm 99, Hebrews 3:1-6 and Luke 9:28-36.

<u>GOD, GUNS AND GRUB</u>: Come join us on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> in the fellowship hall. We will be watching a few Youtube videos from the "God, Family and Guns" series. Venison stew will be provided, please bring a salad or dessert if you'd like. We'll end with some devotion and prayer time. For more information, contact Greg LaHaie at 657-0870 or Pastor Phil. **FEBRUARY SERVICE PROJECT – LWR PERSONAL CARE KITS:** Resurrection Lutheran will be collecting items to complete personal care kits. Education and equipment are essential in escaping the cycle of poverty in countries plagued by hardships. Our Personal Care kits teach and assist students to stay healthy so they can thrive. LWR Personal Care Kits offer simple tools that give an extraordinary gift – the preservation of one's God-given dignity and staying healthy for a "future with hope."

Please feel free to donate **<u>individual items</u>** if you do not want to do an entire kit. Or, donate the items and we'll put them together for you.

- One bath-size towel (approx. 52" x 27"), dark color
- Two bath-size bars (4-5 oz.) of soap, in original wrapping
- One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging (no toothpaste)
- One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- One metal nail clipper, remove packaging

Do not add other items or leave out any of the item. All items should be new. Wrap items in towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarn. Do not enclose the kit or any of its contents in plastic bags. For questions, please call Dawn DesChamps at 354-4241.

**LENTEN SERVICE PROJECT:** The youth will be packing up meals to deliver to our neighbors throughout the Lenten season. If you are interested in helping, come join them on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at Sunset School in our packing center. You can help out with the packing and then join us for worship that night!

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** We will worship together as we begin the Lenten season on Ash Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. The following Wednesdays, we will meet for a meager meal at 5:15 pm and worship at 6:00 pm. Also, the food that will be packed on Ash Wednesday will be distributed to our neighbors on those Wednesday evenings. If you would like to help deliver, please contact Julie or Pastor Phil.

**<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>**: Nancy Coombs, Becca Wojciechowski and Joanne Gallagher celebrate a birthday this coming week. Happy Birthday to you all!

# **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?