**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.

<u>MEMBERSHIP:</u> 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 "Gather Us In"

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Prayer
"I Exalt Thee"

Children's Sermon "Jesus Loves Me"

Scripture Lessons Jeremiah 26:8-15 (p. 1219)

Psalm 4 (p. 842)

Philippians 3:17 – 4:1 (p. 1826)

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Luke 13:31-35 (p. 1623)

Sermon Pastor Phil Phifer

Hymn of the Day "Be Thou my Vision"

Apostle's Creed

Prayers of the Church

Offering "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Confession and forgiveness

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion

Benediction "Echo Benediction"

Closing Hymn "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

#### **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 <u>julie@rlca.us</u> 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, March 12<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 pm

#### **STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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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.

March 17, 2019

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## This Week at RLCA

Sunday, March 179:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship
2:00 pm – Embrace Grace wrapping/decorating
4:00 pm – Resurrection Youth
Monday, March 185:30 pm – Feeding Kids Packing (RLCA team 3)
Tuesday, March 192:00 pm – Tuesday Bible study
6:00 pm – Embrace Grace Baby Shower
Wednesday, March 207:30 am – staff meeting  4:30 pm – confirmation  5:15 pm – meager meal and food delivery
6:00 pm – midweek Lenten worship  Thursday, March 218:00 am – men's Bible study
4:00 pm – worship team rehearsal
Friday, March 226:30 pm – Daniel study
Sunday, March 249:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship
10:30 am – worship at Medilodge
4:00 pm – Resurrection Youth

## **ATTENDANCE AND GIVING FOR MAR. 4-10, 2019:**

Worship attendance: 83 Offering: \$3269.11

FEEDING KIDS GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF MAR. 4-10: \$420.00

### **SERVING TODAY:**

Phil Phifer - Pastor

Greg Altman, Sydney Dodson, Don Grabiel, Mark Hamann, Jennifer Phifer, Beth Strong and Julie Wood – Worship and Music Leaders

Justine LaFleche – Reader

Bryan Strong – Assisting Minister

Jolie Danielson and Dalair Dones – Ushers

Bryce Moe and Aiden Olsen – Communion cups

Steve and Diane Diamond – Greeters

John Diamond – Audio/Visual Technician

Annette Kindt – Worship set-up

Laura Kolar and Angie Smith – Fellowship

PRAYERS: We remember in our prayers: Cheryl Gauthier, 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*.

**<u>BIRTHDAYS:</u>** Grace Johnson and Harrison Kaszubowski celebrate a birthday this coming week. Happy Birthday to you both!

MIDWEEK LENTEN WORSHIP: On the Wednesdays during Lent, we will meet for a meager meal at 5:15 pm and worship at 6:00 pm. Also, the food that was 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.

**FOR STUDY AT HOME:** The scripture readings for next Sunday are Ezekiel 33:7-20, Psalm 85, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 and Luke 13:1-9.

**FELLOWSHIP AND FUNERAL LUNCHEONS:** Have a favorite salad or dessert that you like to prepare? Wanting to join in helping out at church? We are always looking for more people to engage in many ways. If you'd be willing to help out in fellowship or funeral luncheons, please contact Jolie Danielson at 657-1335.

MARCH SERVICE PROJECT – BABY CARE KITS: The need is dire for baby layettes. Bringing a baby into the world can be a difficult and scary thing for a mother living in poverty or experiencing a disaster. When natural disaster strikes or political conflict flares, families often have little chance to gather their belongings before fleeing the danger. These few items make a difference and tell them we care. Resurrection Lutheran layettes are sent directly to a Lutheran World Relief warehouse so they can be used where the need is greatest.

## Each layette will include:

Two onesies (or similar item)
Two gowns or sleepers (with or without feet)
Two receiving blankets
Four cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
One sweater or sweatshirt
Two washcloths
One bath-size bar (4/5 oz.) of gently soap in its original wrapping
Two diaper pins

Wrap items in one of the receiving blankets and secure tightly with the two diaper pins. Do not enclose the kit or any of its contents in plastic bags. Please place your layette in the collection basket in the entryway. For questions please call Dalair Dones at 727-3450.

EMBRACE GRACE BABY SHOWER – The congregation is invited to help us celebrate the mommies of Embrace Grace with a baby shower on Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. If you've taken a t-shirt tag from our giving "Tree" please make sure to have your gifts to the church by today, March 17<sup>th</sup>. We will be having a gift-wrapping party today at 2:00 – helpers are welcome to join in wrapping gifts and decorating for the Baby Shower.

# **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?