

**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 Thy Faithfulness” “Change my Heart Oh God” Prayer “Nearer my God to Thee”
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Children’s Sermon	“Jesus Loves Me”
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Scripture Lessons	Ezekiel 33:7-20 (p. 1343) Psalm 85 (p. 923) 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 (p. 1780) “Create in Me a Clean Heart” Luke 13:1-9 (p. 1621) Pastor Phil Phiifer
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Sermon

Hymn of the Day	“Give Us Clean Hands”
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Prayers of the Church

Offering	“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”
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Confession and forgiveness

Words of Institution

Lord’s Prayer

Communion	“What a Beautiful Name”
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Benediction	“Echo Benediction”
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Closing Hymn	“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”
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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, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 pm

**STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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*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.**

**March 24, 2019**

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*Affiliated with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)*

### **This Week at RLCA**

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

Tuesday, March 26.....2:00 pm – Tuesday Bible study  
6:00 pm – Embrace Grace Baby Shower

Wednesday, March 27.....7:30 am – staff meeting  
4:30 pm – confirmation  
5:15 pm – meager meal and food delivery  
6:00 pm – midweek Lenten worship

Thursday, March 28.....8:00 am – men’s Bible study  
4:00 pm – worship team rehearsal  
6:30 pm – Divinity on Draft

Friday, March 29.....6:30 pm – Daniel study

Sunday, March 31.....9:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship  
4:00 pm – Resurrection Youth

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

Worship attendance: 37 and 93

Offering: \$3978.24

### **FEEDING KIDS GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF MAR. 11-17: \$530.00**

**DISCOVER RESURRECTION:** Pastor Phil will be leading another Discover Resurrection class beginning Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. If you’d like to learn more about our Lutheran faith or what we believe here at Resurrection, come and join Pastor Phil in the fellowship hall after worship.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING:** Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, all Sunday School teachers and volunteers are invited to attend a meeting with Pastor Phil after Sunday School in the fellowship hall. For more information, contact Pastor Phil.

### **SERVING TODAY:**

Phil Phifer - Pastor

Greg Altman, Jolie Danielson, Don Grabiell, Mark Hamann, Beth Strong and Julie Wood – Worship and Music Leaders

Joanne Gallagher – Reader

Bryan Strong – Assisting Minister

Stacy Bauer and Joe Spigelmyre – Ushers

Ted and Grace Johnson – Communion cups

Tom and Joan Lavoie – Greeters

Al Dziesinski – 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](mailto:julie@rlca.us) or call 354-7522.*

**BIRTHDAYS:** Peggy Matuzak and Will Genschaw celebrate a birthday this coming week. Happy Birthday to you both!

**FOR STUDY AT HOME:** The scripture readings for next Sunday are Isaiah 12:1-6, Psalm 32, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 and Luke 15:1-3, 11-32.

**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.

**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.

**EMBRACE GRACE SPECIAL DAY PLANNING MEETING:** Sunday, March 24, immediately following Sunday School in the fellowship hall. All interested helpers are encouraged to attend. The Embrace Grace Special Day is scheduled to take place Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from noon until 8pm. Come learn more about this event and how you can help support and celebrate the mommies of Embrace Grace.

**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.

**SCHOOL OF MUSIC PERFORMANCE:** On April 5<sup>th</sup>, several of our RLCA School of Music students will be performing up at Art in the Loft between 6:00-8:00 pm. This is an annual event we've participated in for quite a few years where we provide background music for the Young Artists' Exhibit open house. Feel free to stop up and enjoy artwork by our area school students, refreshments and great music by our School of Music students as well as Music4You!

## **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?**