

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 Pastor Scott or a member of our Congregational Council -- they are all wearing name tags. 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, given with bread and wine for us to eat and drink. 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. Please kneel at the rail if you are able then receive the wafer and the wine. 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.

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 Sandi Johnson at 657-3231. All your prayer requests will be kept in confidence among those in the prayer chain.

Announcements		Doug Horne Council, Treasurer
Confession and Forgiveness		see screen
Praise Singing	"Here I Am to Worship" "I Love You, Lord"	see screen
Prayer of the Day		see screen
Children's Sermon	"Great Stories, Bible Stories"	see screen
Scripture Lessons		Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22 Ephesians 2:1-10 John 3:14-21
Sermon		Pastor Brad Matuzak
Hymn of the Day	"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"	see screen
Apostles' Creed		see screen
Prayers of the Church		see screen
Offering	"Lamb of God"	see screen
Offertory	"Let All Things Now Living"	see screen
Words of Institution		see screen
Communion	"O the Blood"	see screen
Benediction	"Echo Benediction"	see screen
Closing Hymn	"Lift High the Cross"	see screen

You have elected the following people to serve you as your Congregational Council. Thanks be to God for the work that He accomplishes through them!

Term ending 2014

Doug Horne- Treasurer	595-3202
Joanne Gallagher – Secretary	727-1014
Terry Curtis	358-0087

Term ending 2013

Linda Bjella	356-6259
John Diamond – Chair	727-9971
Bonnie Urlaub	356-4203

Term ending 2012

Augie Matuzak - Vice Chair	370-3314
Brenda Rosenberg	595-3030
Sandy Samp	379-4368

MEMBERSHIP: If you have interest in becoming a member of Resurrection Lutheran Church, please complete a membership application which can be found in the fellowship hall following worship.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING FOR WED. MAR. 7 AND SUN., MAR. 11, 2012:

Worship attendance: Sun: 105
Offering: \$453.00 and \$3152.17

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Affiliated with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)
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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 18, 2012
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MARCH SERVICE ACTIVITY – LWR FABRIC KITS: Resurrection Lutheran will be collecting items to complete Fabric Kits. Since 1945, U.S. Lutherans have provided material resources by the ton for people in need around the world. Our kits are picked up at Immanuel Lutheran Church in October (with other churches in the area) and delivered first to Detroit and then to Maryland warehouses. The kits are sorted into categories and prepared for shipment overseas or in the U.S. The kits travel through a well-coordinated, intercontinental pipeline to get from our congregation to people who truly appreciate the gifts of comfort and support. Overseas kits, in containers, are loaded onto an ocean freighter, which sails to the port nearest LWR's partner-arriving 4-6 weeks from the day it was ordered. Thanks be to God! It is our privilege to be part of this effort. Go to the LWR website to learn more.

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

Two pieces of new cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester). It should be cut into pieces measuring:

- 2 yards of 60" wide fabric, or
- 3 yards of 44" fabric, or
- 4 yards of 36" wide fabric

Two spools of matching general purpose thread, 250-300 yards each.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the item. All items should be new. Wrap thread securely in the middle of fabric and roll or fold fabric and tie securely with ribbon/yard/string, etc. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags. Contact Kim Meier at 340-1037 for more information.

SERVING TODAY:

Brad Matuzak – Guest Preacher
Julie Wood, Greg Altman, Dick Reed and Liz Meier – Worship and music leaders
Nancy Coombs – Assisting Minister
Joanne Gallagher – Reader
Mason Bauer and Jolie Danielson – Ushers
Jay and Stephanie Walterreit – Greeters

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES: 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 during normal hours (listed on the back of your bulletin) and pick up a copy.

REGULAR CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING: The Congregational Council will meet Tuesday, April 10th, at 5:30 pm.

PRAYERS: We remember in our prayers: Ian Alsgard, Erna Kinsel, Jeff Trelfa, Alice Parker, Roy Bartz, Mike McCourt, Kay Lahaie Cox, John Kowaleski, Sheila Nye, Pamela Anderson Courtright, Betty Jones, Frieda Pinkert, Marge Cogswell, Nicky Miller, Jon Karsten, Todd Timmreck, Bryce Moe, Melanie Taylor, Larry Daoust, Ronald Schroeder, Peggy Krentz, Ron Misiak, Mick Davis, Gerry Clay, Jan Ahlgren and Diane Sims. For those in the armed services, may God guard and protect them as they guard and protect us: Leland Swift, Roy C. Johnson, Lucas Cordes, Steve Lang, David Kloft, Mandy Killingbeck, Mark Trnka, J. Reed Greenwood, Jason Michael Duggar, Lance Bovee, Sven "Lars" Johnson, Jonathan Goebel and Sam Talaske. *To add a name, please send an email to julie@rlca.us or call 354-7522.*

This Week at RLCA

Sunday, Mar. 18.....9:00 am worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship
Monday, Mar. 19..9:30 am Living Proof Evangelism
Tuesday, Mar. 20..... 5:30 pm – Body and Soul in the fellowship hall
6:45 pm – Financial Peace University
Wednesday, Mar. 218:00 am – Men’s Bible Study
5:30 pm – Lenten supper
6:30 pm – Lenten worship
Thursday, March 22.....5:30 pm – Body and Soul in the fellowship hall
Sunday, March 25.....9:00 am worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship

Faith Development Opportunities

We, the people of God, have the responsibility to deepen our relationship with God through both head and heart. Resurrection Lutheran Church offers many ways to help the discipleship work get carried out in our homes.

Wednesday Nights - Disciples in the Making (6th-12th grades)

Jr. High and Sr. High Youth Groups are welcome to participate in the Wednesday Lenten worship services with their families.

Sunday Mornings - Sunday School and Small Groups

Pre-School - Kindergarten – Room 4
First-Fifth Grades - Room 3
Sixth-Eighth Grades - Room 6
Ninth-Twelfth Grades - Room 1

For Adults - Men's Breakfast and Bible Study

Meets Wednesdays
8:00 am at Chisholm St. Big Boy

For Adults – Living Proof Evangelism

Meets Mondays February 20th – March 26th

SIMPLY GIVING: Travelers - keep up with regular offerings by giving electronically. Just as you rely upon receiving income on a regular basis, Resurrection Lutheran relies on your regular contributions. Resurrection Lutheran appreciates the efforts of congregation members to make consistent donations throughout the year—especially during popular winter and summer travel periods. To assist you, the church provides a convenient electronic giving option for setting up regular contributions. Please contact the church office or complete an electronic giving authorization form to begin this worthy method of giving.

BIRTHDAYS: Kim Meier, Grace Johnson and Harrison Kaszubowski celebrates a birthday this week. Happy Birthday! ☺

FOR STUDY AT HOME: The scriptures for this coming Sunday are Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 51:1-12, Hebrews 5:5-10 and John 12:20-33.

WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP: Lenten worship continues Wednesdays at 6:30. It is preceded by a light supper at 5:30. Come and see!

FLOWERS: The flowers at the foot of the altar are available for purchase at a cost of \$20.00. If you would like to commemorate an occasion or honor a person please contact Julie at 354-7522.