

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 receive the wafer and dip it in 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		John Diamond Council, Chair
Confession and Forgiveness		see screen
Praise Singing	"You Are My King (Amazing Love)" "I Love You, Lord"	see screen
Prayer of the Day		see screen
Children's Sermon	"Great Stories, Bible Stories"	see screen
Scripture Lessons		Jeremiah 31:31-34 Psalm 119:9-16 Hebrews 5:5-10 John 12:20-33
Sermon		Pastor Scott Meier
Hymn of the Day	"Take My Life"	see screen
Apostles' Creed		see screen
Prayers of the Church		see screen
Offering	"Your Great Name"	see screen
Offertory	"Create in Me a Clean Heart"	see screen
Words of Institution		see screen
Communion	"Majesty" "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"	see screen
Benediction	"Echo Benediction"	see screen
Closing Hymn	"I Have Decided"	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. 14 AND SUN., MAR. 18, 2012:

Worship attendance: Sun: 94  
Offering: \$385.00 and \$5496.67

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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 25, 2012  
[www.rlca.us](http://www.rlca.us)**

APRIL SERVICE ACTIVITY – LWR LAYETTES: 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 LWR 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

Please place one or more items in collection baskets in the entryway, fellowship hall or side entry in to the Sanctuary. Separate items are absolutely welcome. Or, if you prefer to make up an entire kit – 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. Questions: Cathy Moe 354-2858 - [ajcmoe@charter.net](mailto:ajcmoe@charter.net)

FOR STUDY AT HOME: The scriptures for this coming Sunday are Isaiah 50:4-9a, Psalm 31:9-16, Philippians 2:5-11 and Mark 11:1-11.

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

SERVING TODAY:

Scott Meier – Pastor

Julie Wood, Greg Altman, Kelsey Diamond, Gerard Ahlgren, Beth Strong,

Kim Meier, Don Rosenberg – Worship and music leaders

Rodney Lang – Assisting Minister

Rhianna Kaszubowski – Reader

Sandy Samp and Joanne Gallagher – Ushers

Terry and Kim Marzean – 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](mailto: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 10<sup>th</sup>, 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, Diane Sims and the family and friends of James Stein, brother of Jere Stein and Evaline Wallace, mother-in-law of Linda Wallace. 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](mailto:julie@rlca.us) or call 354-7522.*

### **This Week at RLCA**

Sunday, Mar. 25.....9:00 am worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship  
Monday, Mar. 26.. .....9:30 am Living Proof Evangelism  
Tuesday, Mar. 27..... 5:30 pm – Body and Soul in the fellowship hall  
6:45 pm – Financial Peace University  
Wednesday, Mar. 28 .....8:00 am – Men’s Bible Study  
5:30 pm – Lenten supper  
6:30 pm – Lenten worship  
Thursday, March 29.....5:30 pm – Body and Soul in the fellowship hall  
Sunday, April 1.....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 (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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 20<sup>th</sup> – March 26<sup>th</sup>

**EASTER FOOD DRIVE:** As part of our “Go” ministry, we will be taking bags of groceries to our neighbors in Birchwood Meadow apartments on Wednesday, April 4<sup>th</sup> in place of a Wednesday evening worship service. We are looking for bags filled with groceries that you would use for your Easter dinner – ham, turkey, vegetables, casserole ingredients, salad ingredients, pie mix – whatever you would consider an Easter dinner (maybe even a family recipe with the ingredients included). You may purchase the groceries yourself and bag them up or work with another family or two to come up with a complete meal. If you aren’t able to purchase the groceries, you may come to help deliver the groceries – this is the hard part. ☺ We’ll meet in the fellowship hall at 5:30 p.m. and pray over the food and the people who will receive it as well as insert one of our church’s business cards in each bag. Then we’ll walk together over to Birchwood Meadows and knock on doors until we are able to give our groceries away. Random acts of kindness are one of our ways to “go” into our community. Many of these people may not need the food but some will and all can see the face of Jesus as we deliver the groceries. Come share some Resurrection Joy with folks and join us at church on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Contact Julie in the office if you have any questions 354-7522.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** If you’d like to purchase Easter flowers, Peggy Matuzak will be in the fellowship hall after worship today to take your order. Flowers may be purchased for \$10 in honor of someone or in memory of someone. See Peggy to place your order today!

**BIBLE CAMP:** We are beginning organization for our junior/senior high Bible Camp at Hoeft State Park again this year! Our plan, as of now, is July 29<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup> (Sunday –Wednesday). If you have any conflicts with these dates, please call Jolie 354-5694, as we’d like to accommodate as many youth as we are able!!

**BIRTHDAYS:** Peggy Matuzak, Will Genschaw and Marge Cogswell celebrate a birthday this week. Happy Birthday! ☺