<u>WELCOME!</u> 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 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!

<u>BRING THE CHILDREN TO ME:</u> 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>PRAYER CHAIN</u>: 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 Skaluba at 657-3231. All your prayer requests will be kept in confidence among those in the prayer chain. Welcome and sharing of the peace

Praise Singing "Ama	azing Grace (My Chains Are Go "As the Deer" "Open my Eyes, Lord"	one)"
Children's Sermon	"This Little Light of Mine"	
Scripture Lessons		Jeremiah 33:14-16 Psalm 25:1-10 Galatians 4:4-7
	"Halle, Halle, Halle"	
		Luke 3:1-6
Sermon		Pastor Scott Meier
Hymn of the Day	"Draw Me Close"	
Apostles' Creed		
Prayers of the Church		
Offering	"Jesus, Friend of Sinners"	
Confession and forgiven	ess	
Words of Institution		
Lord's Prayer		
Communion		
Benediction		
Closing Hymn	"Prepare the Royal Highway	<i>"</i>

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 2015

Augie Matuzak – Chair Sandy Samp – Secretary Dennis Kindt 356-2833 379-4368 356-0454

Term ending 2014

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

Term ending 2013

Linda Bjella	
John Diamond – Vice-chair	
Bonnie Urlaub	

356-6259 727-9971 356-4203



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<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 fellowship hall following worship.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING FOR WED. NOV. 21 AND SUN., NOV. 25, 2012:

Worship attendance: 37 and 110 Offering: \$507.25 and \$2080.00

Resurrection Lutheran Church of Alpena (RLCA) PO Box 151 Alpena, MI 49707 (989) 354-7522, www.rlca.us

Scott Meier, Director of Pastoral Ministries and Faith Development – <u>scott@rlca.us</u> phone: (989) 590-8146

Julie Wood, Director of Music/Worship, RLC School of Music and Go Ministries – <u>julie@rlca.us</u> phone: (989) 657-6887 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.

> December 2, 2012 www.rlca.us

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SERVING TODAY:

Scott Meier – Pastor Julie Wood, Greg Altman, Jeremy Smith, Dick Reed, Kelsey Diamond, Beth and Emma Strong – Worship and music leaders Brenda Rosenberg – Assisting Minister Dawn DesChamps – Reader Don Rosenberg and Augie Matuzak – Ushers Terry and Kim Marzean – Greeters

<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 during normal hours (listed on the back of your bulletin) and pick up a copy.

<u>CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING</u>: The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 11th, at 5:30 pm.

<u>PRAYERS</u>: We remember in our prayers: Ian Alsgard, Erna Kinsel, Jeff Trelfa, Roy Bartz, Mike McCourt, John Kowaleski, Pamela Anderson Courtright, Marge Cogswell, Melanie Taylor, Ron Misiak, Mary Jane Rosenberg, Donna McMasters, J.R. Fugate, Bob Kaszubowski, Andrea Linton, Betty Jones, Leslie Cogswell, Sherryl Kelly, Lydia Lang, Bob Gliwa, Rick Carstens, Angela Stevens, Ann Marie Brousseau, Hal Neiman, Nick Kowalsky, Norma Clay, Dale Reynolds, Mark Muszynski, Carol Dotsch, Jim Karsten and Patrick Glomski. 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 and Hilary Bovee, Sven "Lars" Johnson, Jonathan Goebel, Justin Madsen and Sam Talaske. *To add a name, please send an email to julie@rlca.us or call 354-7522.* DECEMBER SERVICE ACTIVITY – The Salvation Army is collecting hats, scarves and mittens for families this winter. To help with this effort and to end the year of Monthly Service Activities at RLCA...there is a Salvation Army mitten tree in the entryway! When you bring your mittens, scarf, hat, etc. please place it on the tree to help us decorate it! We will end the mitten tree collection around December 16th to give us time to get the gifts to the Salvation Army headquarters. So this will only give us 16 days to do what we usually do in 30/31. For more information please call Kim Meier 340-1037 or Cathy Moe 354-2858.

<u>FLOWERS:</u> Flowers at the altar are in memory of Ilabelle Precord from Terry, Kim and Rachel Marzean!

BIRTHDAYS: Jan Kaiser, Rhianna Kaszubowski and Elizabeth Kindt celebrate a birthday this week. Happy Birthday to you all! ③

FOR STUDY AT HOME: The scripture for this coming Sunday are Malachi 3:1-4, Luke 1:68-79, Romans 15:4-13 and Luke 1:26-38.

<u>ADVENT SMALL GROUPS</u>: Advent small groups are now forming to study "The Letters of Paul." These groups meet weekly during Advent and the Wednesday night Advent worship services will tie in with the study. This is a great opportunity to dive deeper into God's word and grow in relationship with God and with others. Sign-up sheets are available or call the office to sign up. DEER BLIND RESULTS: St. Paul of Hubbard Lake sent a summary of the deer blind auction event from October. They had about 1000 people in attendance with deer blinds selling for \$350-\$1500. The silent auction also brought in about \$435 per church. Thank you to all who participated in the building and buying of blinds. The proceeds from the sale of our deer blind will be used to buy ice time for a free open skate at the Northern Lights Arena as well as make a sizable donation to our new "Feeding Kids Ministry." God works through us in many ways. How can you use your gifts to bring Him glory?

This Week at RLCA

Sunday, Dec. 29:00 am – worship followed by fellowship and		
Sunday School		
Tuesday, Dec. 41:00 pm – women's B ible study		
3:00 pm – Bible study		
6:30 pm – Bible study		
Wednesday, Dec. 58:00 am – men's Bible study		
4:15 pm – senior high youth meets		
5:30 pm – Advent supper		
6:30 pm – Advent worship		
Sunday, Dec. 99:00 am – worship followed by fellowship and		
Sunday School		