

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!

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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.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING FOR SUN., JUNE 1, 2014:

Worship attendance (Sunday): 155
Offering: \$4924.02

FEEDING KIDS GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 26-JUNE 1, 2014: \$294.99

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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.

June 8, 2014
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Affiliated with Lutheran Congregations in Mission for Christ (LCMC)

SERVING TODAY:

Scott Meier – Pastor

Julie Wood, Greg Altman, Dick Reed, Don Grabiell, Jeremy Smith, Kelsey Diamond, Liz Meier – Worship and music leaders

Brenda Rosenberg – Assisting Minister

Augie Matuzak – Reader

Jolie Danielson and Sandy Samp – Ushers

Dick and Phoebe Rang – Greeters

Brenda Rosenberg and Annette Kindt – Worship Setup

Josh Wesaw – Audio/visual Technician

Howard and Cathy Carpenter and Jere and Peggy Stein – Fellowship

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 and pick up a copy.

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING: The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 10th, at 5:30 pm.

PRAYERS: We remember in our prayers: Albert Talaska, Ian Alsgard, Roy Bartz, John Kowaleski, Stella Lazarsky, Donna McMasters, J.R. Fugate, Andrea Linton, Rick Carstens, Ann Marie Brousseau, Adam Suszek, Jerry Hayka, Beverly Attwell, Bob Kaszubowski, Lowell Urlaub, Vic Gehrke, William Dones, Bob Smart, Joelyn McCallum, Bill Dones, Angela Stevens, Mark Kandow, Dave Douglas, Sylva Kubicek, Marcia Karles, Gloria Martinelli-Poirier, Ella Enderby, Roger Urlaub, Sam Chalton, Sandi Skaluba, Donald E. Duggar, Lois Henderson, Jean Neiman and the men and women working to unlock the chains of addiction. For those in the armed services, may God guard and protect them as they guard and protect us: Leland Swift, Roy C. Johnson, David Kloft, Mandy Killingbeck, J. Reed Greenwood, Jason Michael Duggar, Lance and Hilary Bovee, Sven “Lars” Johnson, Alex Karsten, Justin Besgrove, Josh Kinney, Wyatt Boboltz, Brad LaFleche and Aaron Jarvi. *To add a name, please send an email to julie@rlca.us or call 354-7522.*

JUNE SERVICE PROJECT - FOOD PANTRY: Resurrection Lutheran presents our food gifts to St. Vincent's Food Pantry this month. This organization does a brilliant job of assisting area families in great need of basics....food for their family. We are blessed to be part of this solution. Mostly non-perishable items will be collected: canned goods, boxed food, paper products, canned fruits and vegetables, family size mac n cheese, complete meal boxes, spaghetti meals, cereals...be creative. What are you having for meals today? If you have perishable items...let us know....we will find a way to get them to St. Vincent's immediately. Questions, please call Joanne Gallagher at 727-1014 for more information.

FOR STUDY AT HOME: The scripture readings for this coming Sunday are Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a, Psalm 8, 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 and Matthew 28:16-20.

BIRTHDAYS: Liz Meier, Al Dziesinski, Lisa Thayer and Geoffrey Hoeksema celebrate a birthday this week. Happy Birthday to you all! ☺

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB: The book club will be discussing the book "Heaven is for Real" by Todd Burpo on Wednesday, June 25th at 6:00 pm at Cabin Creek. For more information, contact Joanne Gallagher at 727-1014.

This Week at RLCA

Sunday, June 8..... 9:00 am – worship, Rite of Confirmation and blessing of Feeding Kids Summer Lunch
Ministry followed by fellowship
10:45 am – worship at Turning Brook

Monday, June 9.....6:00 pm – Feeding Kids packing (RLCA team 1)

Wednesday, June 11.....7:30 am – staff meeting

Thursday, June 12.....8:00 am – men's Bible study (Mark Diamond)
1:30 pm – small group (Kim Meier)
3:30 pm – worship at Sunrise Centre

Sunday, June 15.....9:00 am – worship followed by fellowship

We are pleased to confirm the following young people today. Alex Arch, Aaron Diamond and Karisa Meier. Their faith statements are printed here, please hold them in prayer as they continue to grow in relationship with Jesus.

Alex Arch

"I believe that Jesus is The Lord, my God. I believe that by God's grace, I am saved through my faith in Jesus. When I confess my sins, I am able to receive forgiveness from God in heaven. Since I am forgiven, I am to follow in the Lord's way and forgive others as they sin against me. Through prayer and reading scripture, my relationship and faith in Jesus deepens. My faith in our Lord Jesus has given me strength, peace, love and guidance from Him."

Aaron Diamond

2 Corinthians 5:9: "So we make it our goal to please him, whether at home in the body or away from it."

God gave us the Ten Commandments. The first commandment states that He is my God and there are no other gods. I agree with that 100%. I am one of God's many creations and He loves me very much. I also believe that Jesus died on the cross for my sins and everyone else's. He also descended into hell and after three days he rose into Heaven. That's a pretty big deal. It means all the sins I've committed and all the sins I ever will commit are already forgiven. All I need to do is repent and ask for that forgiveness.

When my sins are forgiven it means that Jesus accepts my apology and he still loves me. I should try to please Jesus by forgiving others who sin against me. I also need to make it a point to try and tell people about Jesus. I need to explain that I am a Christian because God loves me and I will live eternal life in Heaven.

"So we make it our goal to please him, whether at home in the body or away from it." People sometimes say "now those are words to live by", but I think the phrases they are referring to are never as good of guideline that I have chosen. It is a goal that everyone should attempt to reach. Sometimes it may be spreading the word of God. Other times it could be holding the door open for someone. I will try my very best to please God in everything I do. As a response for his endless love and forgiveness, I will attempt to please him in everything that I do.

Karisa Meier

I believe in the Holy Trinity. I believe that God has been here since the beginning of time and even before that. He will be with me whenever I need Him, for every second of every day. God will always be there for me, through my struggles and difficulties, and through my successes and achievements. He will be there no matter what.

I am a Christian because I know that Jesus died for me and saved me from all my sins. He's done so much for me and the least I can do is believe in his salvation. I was raised in a Christian home and my father is a pastor so my parents taught me a lot about God. I've been surrounded by Christianity my whole life, but I make my own choices and my choice is Jesus.

Those who say that Jesus is like every other religious leader are wrong. Who else could have done all the miracles He's done, inspired so many people as He had done, or even died on a cross, and 3 days later, rose again. No other religious leader could redeem someone's sins. Jesus is like no one else and He saved me from my sins, not at my cost but His. And I cannot have enough gratitude.

When someone asks for forgiveness, their life is completely wiped clean of any blemishes. God is accepted into their hearts and He welcomes them into his arms wholeheartedly. They have a place in heaven when they die and they will have eternal life with God. I am so happy that I will have that place with my Savior.

My favorite bible verse is Proverbs 3:5-6, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight." This verse tells me that I can trust God with anything and He will help me through it. It says that I shouldn't rely on myself all the time because I may not always be right. Everything that God does in my life is to my own benefit in the long run and this gives me a lot of hope for my future.

I love God with all my heart and I want to be able to say that every day from now and until my last day.