

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, 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, 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 alcohol-free wine. Gluten-free wafers 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.

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 Bonnie Urlaub at 464-6366. All your prayer requests will be kept in confidence among those in the prayer chain.

Welcome and sharing of the peace

Praise Singing "Joy to the World"
 "O Come All Ye Faithful"
 "Sanctuary"

Children's Sermon "Away in a Manger"

Scripture Lessons Isaiah 61:10 - 62:3
 Psalm 148
 Galatians 4:4-7
 "Halle, Halle, Halle"

Sermon Luke 2:22-40
 Pastor Brad Matuzak

Hymn of the Day "What Child is This?"

Apostles' Creed

Prayers of the Church

Offering "Angels from the Realms of Glory"

Confession and forgiveness

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Communion "Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"
 "Lo, How a Rose E'er Growing"

Benediction "The Lord Bless You"

Closing Hymn "Go Tell it on the Mountain"

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 2017

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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 WED. DEC. 17 AND SUN. DEC. 21, 2014:

Worship attendance (Sunday): 117

Offering: \$4566.15

FEEDING KIDS GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 15-21, 2014: \$952.50



*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.

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SERVING TODAY:

Brad Matuzak – Guest Preacher

Julie Wood, Greg Altman, Don Grabel, Dick Reed, Kelsey Diamond, Phoebe
Wojciechowski, Liz and Karisa Meier – Worship and music leaders

Stacy Bauer – Assisting Minister

Kelsey Diamond – Reader

Ken and Karen Kindt – Ushers

George and Dorothy LaFleche – Greeters

Brenda Rosenberg and Annette Kindt – Worship set-up

Josh Wesaw – Audio/Visual Technician

Augie and Peggy Matuzak – Fellowship

PRAYERS: We remember in our prayers: Helen Reed, Linda Woodruff, Paul Rang, Tom Lavoie, Greg LaHaie, Misty Kihn McDonald, Donald E. Duggar, Roy Bartz, John Kowaleski, J.R. Fugate, Ann Marie Brousseau, Adam Suszek, William Dones, Bob Smart, Bill Dones, Mark Kandow, Ella Enderby 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, 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.*

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.

BIRTHDAYS: Jen Spigelmyre and Sandy Dzieszinski celebrate a birthday this week. Happy Birthday ladies!

FOR STUDY AT HOME: The scripture readings for this coming Sunday are Jeremiah 31:7-14, Psalm 147:12-20, Ephesians 1:3-14 and John 1:10-18.

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING: The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13th, at 5:30 pm.

This Week at RLCA

Sunday, December 28.....9:00 am – worship followed by fellowship
10:30 am – worship at Tendercare Greenview

Thursday, January 1.....Happy New Year!

Sunday, January 4..... 9:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School
and fellowship