



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 SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2015:

Worship attendance (Sunday): 99

Offering: \$4516.00

FEEDING KIDS GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 26- FEB. 1, 2015: \$90.00



*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.**

**February 8, 2015**  
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SERVING TODAY:

Scott Meier – Pastor

Greg Altman, Don Grabiell, Dick Reed, Karisa Meier, Beth Strong, Hannah

Thayer – Worship and music leaders

Brenda Rosenberg – Assisting Minister

Annette Kindt – Reader

Arlie Prevost and Shawn Manning– Greeters

Bryan and Ben Strong – Ushers

Dick and Phoebe Rang – Worship set-up

Al Dziesinski – Audio/Visual Technician

Tim and Barb Smith and Dawn Deschamps – Fellowship

PRAYERS: We remember in our prayers Ruth Ohmart, Helen Reed, Linda Woodruff, Paul Rang, Greg LaHaie, Misty Kihn McDonald, Donald E. Duggar, John Kowaleski, J.R. Fugate, Ann Marie Brousseau, Adam Suszek, William Dones, Bob Smart, Bill Dones, Mark Kadow, 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](mailto: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](mailto: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, February 10<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 pm.

FEBRUARY SERVICE PROJECT: Resurrection Lutheran will be collecting items for Personal Care Kits this month. Water-borne illnesses prey on adults and children. Education is essential in escaping the cycle of poverty and illness and Personal Care Kits teach young and old to stay healthy so they can thrive. LWR Personal Care Kits offer simple tools that give an extraordinary gift - the preservation of one's God-given dignity and staying healthy for a future of hope. In 2013 - 151,678 Personal Care Kits went to seventeen countries including the U.S. Thanks be to God.

Please feel free to donate individual items if you do not want to put together an entire kit.

One bath size dark towel (52 x 27)  
Two bath size bars of soap in original wrapping  
One adult size tooth brush in original wrapping (no tooth paste)  
One sturdy comb, remove packaging  
One metal nail clipper, remove packaging

When making a complete kit....please do not add additional items or leave out any of the items. All items should be new. Wrap items in the towel and tie it securely with ribbons or yarn. No plastic bags. For additional information please contact Lisa Thayer, 356-0515, or Dona Robb, 340-1026.

Finding Hope Northeast Michigan: The Alpena Area Ministerial Association, of which Pastor Scott Meier is the current president, has hosted 2 evening gatherings at the Alpena High School auditorium and has another one tonight to help you be a witness for Jesus to your friends, family and neighbors. Feb. 8 at 4:00 pm, Matt Leavesley will be preaching. You are invited to bring someone and come to this series of meetings where hope in Jesus Christ will be shared in music, personal stories from people in our community and uplifting messages from local pastors.

VALENTINES: Today after worship, several people will be preparing Valentines to distribute to local nursing homes. See Sandi Skaluba after worship if you'd like to help!

FOR STUDY AT HOME: The scripture readings for this coming Sunday are 2 Kings 2:1-12, Psalm 50:1-6, 2 Corinthians 4:3-6 and Mark 9:2-9.

LENT: Lent begins Wednesday, Feb. 18 and our Ash Wednesday service will be held at 6:00 pm. The theme for our midweek services this year is "Calling Us Home." Each Wednesday we'll delve into 1 Peter and learn truths that are both challenging and comforting for this journey we are on, the journey to our true home in heaven. Join us!

BIRTHDAYS: Duane and Sharon Anderson celebrate a birthday this week. Happy Birthday to you both!

### This Week at RLCA

Sunday, February 8..... 9:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship  
10:45 am – worship at Turning Brook

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

Tuesday, February 10.....2:00 pm – Bible study  
5:30 pm – supper for ACES  
5:30 pm – council meeting

Wednesday, February 11.....7:30 am – staff meeting  
4:15 pm – H2H  
5:30 pm – supper for ACES

Thursday, February 12.....8:00 am – men's Bible study  
3:30 pm – worship at Sunrise Centre  
5:30 pm – supper for ACES  
6:10 pm – Bible study

Sunday, February 15..... 9:00 am – worship followed by Sunday School and fellowship

Last Sunday, February 1, the following announcement was made during worship. For those of you who were not here, we want to provide you with this information:

Pastor Scott:

This morning I would like to take a minute and share with all of you something that is very meaningful to me. My ministry with you all and for you all has touched my heart as I have been able to share what a difference Jesus makes in my life and encourage people to move more deeply into a relationship with Jesus or even begin a relationship with Jesus. The Call to continue to share the Good News of Jesus is still very strong for me but I believe that God is opening a door for a change. In response to sensing that opened door, I have prepared a Call Packet and will send that to congregations in LCMC that are in the call process and fit well with my ministry gifts and skills. I do not know how that all will proceed, but I have confidence that God will lead the way. I will update you as that process proceeds.

Some of you may ask “Why now?” I can simply respond this way:

The Call has many factors - some tangible - and some not so easy to describe – more personal and spiritual. As I prayerfully consider all of those factors, I sense that it is time to explore what else God has in store for me. I would appreciate your prayers as I continue in ministry with you and please be assured that nothing changes here for now as the ministry of Resurrection Lutheran continues. I will

keep you and the Council informed of any significant progress. Thanks be to God for His grace is overflowing.

John Diamond with Council Response:

Thank you Pastor Scott.

On behalf of the Congregational Council, I want to share that we are grateful for Pastor Scott’s time here. We look forward to continuing in ministry with him until such time that he finds that new place where God is leading him. During this transition we commit to supporting him through prayer and encouragement. As Pastor Scott mentioned, the timeline for any change is unknown at this point. As we move along, we will continue to keep you informed. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Pastor Scott, me or any member of council. Thank you.

Let’s pray:

Gracious and Almighty Father, thank you for all the blessings you continue to bring to us. In particular, we give you thanks for Pastor Scott and his ministry here over the last several years. As he considers a new call and peaks through the door You have opened, please grant him peace and discernment. We also ask that you renew your call for each of us to be your hands, feet and face to the world as we work to fulfill your command to Go and make Disciples of Christ. We know that you are the great Shepherd. Lead us. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.