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.

<u>VISITORS</u>: Please sign the attendance register as it is passed during worship. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to 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. It is given in, with and under the earthly elements of bread and the fruit of the vine. 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. Gluten-free wafers and white grape juice 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.

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.

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 Joan Lavoie at 354-8819. All your prayer requests will be kept in confidence among those in the prayer chain.

Welcome and sharing of the Peace

Praise Singing	"Gather Us In" "Prepare the Royal Highway"	
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	"Prepare Our Hearts	<i>))</i>
Children's Sermon	"Jesus Loves Me"	
Scripture Lessons		lsaiah 11:1-10 Psalm 72:1-7 1 Peter 2:11-25
	"10,000 Reasons"	
Sermon		Matthew 3:1-12 Pastor Brad Matuzak
Hymn of the Day	"Here I Am, Lord"	
Apostle's Creed		
Prayers of the Church		
Offering	"It Is Well"	
Confession and forgivenes	S	
Words of Institution		
Lord's Prayer		
Communion	"Cornerstone"	
Benediction	"Echo Benediction"	,
Closing Hymn	"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"	

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<u>CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES</u>: 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.

<u>CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING:</u> The next council meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 10, at 5:30 pm.

STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:

Julie Wood – julie@rlca.us, (989) 657-6887 Director – GO Ministries Director – RLCA School of Music Director – Worship and Music 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 8, 2019

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This Week at RLCA

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

Monday, December 9......5:30 pm – Feeding Kids packing (RLCA team 2)

Tuesday, December 10.....5:30 pm – council meeting 6:00 pm – Embrace Grace/Integrity

Wednesday, December 11.....2:00 pm – Prayer Chain Bible Study

Thursday, December 12......8:30 am – Men's Bible Study (JJ's) 5:00 pm – worship team rehearsal 5:45 pm – Advent meal 6:30 pm – Advent worship

Friday, December 13.....6:00 pm – Friday Night Study

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

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING FOR NOV 25-DEC. 1, 2019:

Worship attendance: 78 Offering: \$1983.35

FEEDING KIDS GIVING FOR THE WEEK OF NOV 25-DEC. 1: \$40.00

ADVENT MEAL AND WORSHIP: We will hold midweek meals and worship for Advent on Thursdays this year. A light meal will be provided on December 12 and 19th at 5:45 pm with worship to follow at 6:30 pm. This is a beautiful way to prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth and prepare for His second coming to us. Bring a friend and join us!

<u>BIRTHDAYS</u>: Therese LeNart, Jean Neiman and Matt Waligora celebrate a birthday this coming week. Happy Birthday to you all!

SERVING TODAY:

Brad Matuzak – Guest Preacher Greg Altman, Jolie Danielson, Don Grabiel, Mark Hamann, Rocky and Ginny Roland, Beth Strong and Julie Wood – Worship and Music Leaders Scott Thayer – Assisting Minister Sherry Anderson – Reader Ken and Karen Kindt – Ushers Terry and Kim Marzean – Greeters John Diamond – Audio/Visual Technician Greg and Linda LaHaie and Laura Frary – Fellowship Annette Kindt – Worship setup

PRAYERS: We remember in our prayers: Stacy Bauer, Keith Peterson, Gladys Bennett, Dan Daoust family, Ruth LeSage, Helen Johnson, Cheryl Gauthier, Robert Lang, Bob Sullivan, Mike Chadkewicz, Carl Pilarski, Sandi Skaluba, Bob McManus, J.R. Fugate, Mark Kandow and the men and women working to unlock the chains of addiction. For those in the military and civilian services, may God guard and protect them as they guard and protect us: Chyenne Prevost, Lauren Hoeksema, Todd Horne, Jake Strong, Josh Root, Leland Swift, David Kloft, Mandy Killingbeck, Jason Michael Duggar, Lance and Hilary Bovee and Aaron Jarvi. *To add a name, please send an email to julie@rlca.us or call 354-7522.*

DECEMBER SERVICE PROJECT – SALVATION ARMY: God has provided for us in abundance! This month, we have an opportunity to share that with those in need through the Salvation Army. This organization does a brilliant job of assisting area families in great need. We are blessed to be part of this solution. Last month we provided food items, this month we add to that gift with hats, mittens and toys for children of all ages. We will only collect items until the 22nd of December to give the Salvation Army time to disperse items. Questions? Please call Cathy Moe, 354-2858 or Joanne Gallagher, 727-1014.

FOR STUDY AT HOME: The scripture readings for next Sunday are Isaiah 35:1-10, Psalm 146, I Peter 3:8-17 and Matthew 11:2-15.