

## This Week at RLCA

Monday, September 8 ..... 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Office Open  
Wednesday, September 10 ..... 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Office Open  
Friday, September 12 ..... 11:00 am – 3:00 pm Office Open  
Sunday, September 14 ..... 9:00 am Sunday Worship Service

**Pastor Doug's office hours are M-W-F 11:00 am – 3:00 pm**

### CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

The next council meeting will be on Tuesday, September 9, at 5:30 pm.

### FEEDING KIDS MINISTRY

The next pack for RLCA will take place Monday, October 6, at 5:30 pm at the back of Sunset School. If you would like to help this ministry, please contact Jamie at 989-255-0297 or FKM 989-590-4724, or by email at [feedingkids@rlca.us](mailto:feedingkids@rlca.us).

**GENERAL FUND OFFERINGS – August 25-31:     \$ 1,906.30**

**FEEDING KIDS MINISTRY – August 25-31:     \$     60.00**

**ATTENDANCE – August 31: Church 53; 2 Streaming**

**JULY TITHE – Promise FM - \$475.92, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Kodiak, AK Roof - \$356.95, Friends of Madagascar - \$356.95**

**PASTORAL MESSAGES:** Pastor Doug's message can be found on the RLCA website under "RLCA Livestream" on the Home page.

**BIRTHDAYS:**– Happy Birthday to **Jere Stein!** May God continue to shower you with every blessing from above.

**FOR STUDY AT HOME:** The scripture readings for next Sunday are Ezekiel 34:11-24, Psalm 119:169-176, 1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-10.

**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 Linda Sansom at 989-657-5060 or email at [Linda199698@yahoo.com](mailto:Linda199698@yahoo.com). Your prayer requests will be kept in confidence among those in the prayer chain.



## Mission Statement

*Help people discover God, grow in faith, and find their purpose to make a difference.*

Doug Lopez – Pastor

Dalair Dones – Assisting Minister

Rodney Lang – Reader

Howard & Cathy Carpenter – Greeters

John Knapp, Patti Knapp, Sherry Zomerhuis – Vocals

Suelyn Bartz, Jeremy Smith – Instrumental

Kevin Prevost, Cameron Treinen – Audio/Visual

Jay & Stephanie Walterreit – Fellowship

Annette Kindt – Turning Brook

## Vision Statement

**KNOW** – Where people encounter God in a deep and personal way.

**GROW** – Where people grow into Christians who reflect Jesus.

**GO** – Where we reach out beyond our walls to connect people with Jesus Christ locally and beyond.

**September 7, 2025**

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We are pleased to have you worship with us today! All who are baptized and believe in Christ are welcome at the table. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service for food and fellowship.

**STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:**

**Sharon Kirby (Church Office)** – [secretary@rlca.us](mailto:secretary@rlca.us) – 989-354-7522  
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**Pastor Doug** – [pastor@rlca.us](mailto:pastor@rlca.us) – 989-590-4682

**RLCA September/October Service Activity: Operation Christmas Child** is a project of Samaritan’s Purse. We can touch the lives of suffering children in over 100 countries with the love of Jesus by filling shoeboxes with fun items and necessities. Can’t fill an entire box? Share one with a friend or two. Shoeboxes will be available in the Narthex with complete directions inside. Please make sure to review the list of items to **not** include. If you have questions see Joyce Smigelski or Sue Lopez.

**PRAYERS:** We remember in prayer Stephen Gallagher, Jeff Kendziorski, Mike Chadkovicz, Lori Muszynski, Marlene Bartz, Tom Lavoie, Larry Kirby, David Hamann, Shirley McDonald, Sherry Zomerhuis, Felix VonGries, Steven McCourt. Pray for the following: all those who serve in the military, the children who are receiving food from FKM, incarcerated individuals, and individuals who are dealing with addictions and emotional health problems.

**FLOWERS** – Celebrate life, recognize a birthday, an anniversary, to memorialize a loved one, or give to the glory of God with a bouquet for the altar on Sunday. Contact the Church Secretary at 989-354-7522 or [secretary@rlca.us](mailto:secretary@rlca.us) to get details on ordering and to reserve your Sunday.

**Bible Study** at the Preston’s (137 W. Lewis St.) at 6 pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month, studying the Gospel of John. Please come and bring your Bible – All are welcome. Any questions, please contact Beth at 830-613-4324.



**Today’s altar flowers** are from Julie Preuss in honor of Jim & Deanna Spencer’s 66th Wedding Anniversary. Congratulations, and God’s best blessings!

## Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*“Whoever does not carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.”*

**Prelude:** “Allegretto” – Samuel Wesley

### Welcome and Announcements

Praise Singing	“I Surrender All”
	Prayer
	Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Scripture Lessons	Psalm 1
	Philemon 1-21
	“O Word of God Incarnate”
	Luke 14:25-35
Sermon/Message	Pastor Doug Lopez
Hymn of the Day	“What Wondrous Love Is This”
Apostle’s Creed	
Prayers of the Church	
Confession & Forgiveness	
Words of Institution	
Lord’s Prayer	
Communion	“Behold the Lamb”
	“O Jesus, I Have Promised”
Benediction	“On What Has Now Been Sown”
Closing Hymn	“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”