

RESURRECTION



NEW LIFE NEWS

Jesus is the Resurrection
and the Life...

A Life He gives and a
Life we share...



Jesus is my Savior from Satan

The reason the Son of God appeared
was to destroy the devil's work.

1 John 3:8

Is the devil real? He doesn't really exist, right? **WRONG!** The devil is a fallen angel. He is called Satan, which means "adversary." He has one goal. He wants to literally "give you hell." Picture him as a prosecutor standing before the judgment seat of God. He talks about your character flaws like pride, anger, and your evil desires of greed and lust. He's very convincing. And that "father of lies" is not lying. You can't deny what he says about you. It appears his case work will bring about an eternal sentence of hell for you.

But wait, Satan doesn't have the last word. Jesus Christ has come to our defense. He set out to defeat the devil and put an end to his evil work. Jesus came to earth not to just hinder, slow down or frustrate the devil and his dealings with you. He came to destroy him. That is exactly what Jesus did by his death on the cross. Jesus' death on the cross in your place is the devil's destruction. All of the devil's accusation about you before God are stopped because on the cross Jesus won the forgiveness for all of your sins. The devil can no longer successfully accuse you before God.

So what does the devil do now if he can't speak to God about your sins? He speaks to you! The devil comes to you reminding you of your sins and tries to convince you that God won't forgive you. This is his last resort. He tries day and night to tempt you to sin and then push you to despair over your condition.

But the victory is already won! The victory belongs to Jesus and by faith it belongs to you. Resist the devil's temptations and he will flee from you. He may try to set snares, but you aren't ignorant of his devices. You have the shield of faith in Jesus that extinguishes all the fiery darts of that wicked one.

So keep your eyes on Jesus, who died for you, and your enemy the devil can't have his wicked way with you. The truth is that the devil's evil work has been destroyed by the Son of God, Jesus Christ. He is your Savior from Satan.

Resurrection Lutheran Church

New Life News

Vicar's Phelps' installation

On August 11th at our Thursday worship service and also at our worship service on Sunday, August 14th, Benjamin Phelps was installed as RLC's vicar for 2016/2017. We look forward to working together serving the Lord here at RLC. Welcome Ben and Molly to the RLC family!



A note from the Phelps:

Molly and I have been blown away by the incredible kindness RLC has shown us the past month! We greatly appreciate the help we received while moving, the friendly introductions and welcome at church, and also all the items and gift cards. We are very thankful for these acts of Christian love shown us. We are looking forward to getting to know and serving all of you in Christ.

~Vicar Ben Phelps

Where are RLC's previous Vicars?

Pastor Tim Rosenow:

I've been serving as the pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran in Prescott, WI for the past 2 years. I am still single, and that has been a mixed blessing as it allows me plenty of time to focus on the work here. The congregation here is composed of a strong core of willing volunteers who are eager to serve our community and congregation (sounds familiar, doesn't it?!). We have several active Bible study groups (though, I'm hoping we can still get a few more), and we're currently looking into jumpstarting our youth ministry. Though the congregation is aging (as evidenced by another funeral just last night), we have a number of young families who are enthusiastic about the work here and many of the kids bring their friends to visit us often. All-in-all I count myself exceptionally blessed to serve here and thank you for the year of experience that has been invaluable in that work! To God be the glory and all God's richest blessings to you as you continue that work in Verona and the surrounding mission field!

~Tim Rosenow



Pastor Caleb Free:

Life A.R. (After Resurrection) has been good for the Frees. After graduating from the Sem, I was assigned as a mission pastor in Dothan, Alabama. Kristin and I really enjoyed the people, the city, the church, and the experience. In 2014, God blessed us with our Alabama boy, Clay. He's non-stop energy, and we love every minute of it. This past May, I took a call to serve at another mission church, Risen Savior in Lakewood Ranch, FL. We've only been here a few months, but consider ourselves lucky to be at such a wonderful place. The ministry ahead might have some challenges, but we know God is on our side. Kristin and I still talk about Resurrection, and we've said to each other on different occasions, we hope that Risen Savior can grow and be like Resurrection one day. Praying that all is well with you, and if you travel to Florida, don't be afraid to let us know!

~The Frees



RLC Preschool News from Director Ali Manning



Welcome to Preschool!

With the beginning of September, we also begin our year in preschool! September 1st will be an exciting day and a new experience for many first time families. It may be the first time they are sending their child off to school. It may be the first time they have been to Resurrection. Whatever the first may be, we want to welcome the children and the families here at Resurrection Lutheran Church and Preschool! One way you can help is by being at our school on September 1st from 7:50-9:00am. We are hosting our first ever **BooHoo Breakfast** from 8AM-9AM. Please see the sign up sheet in the hallway to volunteer your time, sign up to provide a refreshment or a few table decorations. This would be a wonderful opportunity to once again connect and encourage the families on this special first day of PreK. Thank you in advance!

Lunch Bunch is all about Feasting on God's Word!

Before the school year has even begun we have 5 families from our 4K committed to our Lunch Bunch program that happens daily Tuesday-Friday from 11:16-12:30. God's word will be our focus during this time and it will tie into our lessons and what the 3K has been learning during their day. The children will also enjoy lunch and an activity that reinforces their lesson. Families will also be given a Family Devotion and prayer that they can share at home together. All of these coordinate with the Story Bible that each family was given during their home visit. Thank you again to everyone that gifted these wonderful tools to our families! Please continue to pray for our preschool families and our staff daily as we reach out with the life saving message of the Gospel!

If you would like to participate in our Lunch Bunch, volunteer your time or know other children or families that could benefit from this aspect of our ministry, please invite them or ask Ali Manning for additional information that you could share. This program is open to the public and can be done as a drop in for \$2 a day or a monthly payment of \$30. We'd love to share this time and encourage others with the Word! Thank you!

Sign up for Lunch Bunch can be found on our website or by going to signupgenius.com, going to the Help tab and Find a Sign up. Just enter amanning@rlcverona.com and complete the sign up for the day you plan to attend. If you need more information, please don't hesitate to contact Ali Manning directly. Thank you!

Grandpeople's Day is September 8th

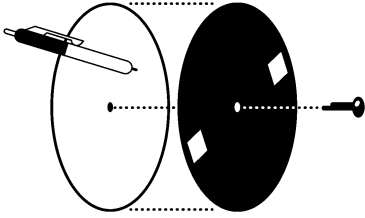
Every child has special people in their lives that they love to celebrate! We are looking for those special people and a few of our own from Resurrection Lutheran Church to be part of this special day of recognition. It may be a grandparent, a neighbor, an Uncle, a babysitter or a special friend that they think are just SO Grand! The children will be inviting them to attend a special snack and a chance to be recognized for being that special someone.

If you would like to volunteer on this day, please see the sign up sheet and the times available. We are also looking for people to donate the snack items listed and provide some fun plates, napkins and decorations. Thank you!



PROMISE WHEEL

This craft will remind you that God is always with you.



What you need:

- A large round bowl
- 2 large pieces of construction paper
- A pen
- Scissors
- A ruler
- A brad
- A Bible or search engine

What you do:

1. Turn the bowl upside down and trace around it on both pieces of paper.
2. Cut out the circles. Draw a dot in the center of each.
3. On one circle, trace and cut out two 2" squares opposite each other, with the dot in the middle.
4. Align the dots and place the brad through both circles.
5. In the space left by one square, write a fear you have. Then write a comforting Bible verse in the other square.
6. Rotate the circle to a new blank space, and write another fear and verse.



THE LORD WILL PROTECT

God always watches over us, during good times and bad.



Directions: Connect the dots, according to the instructions below. Then use the resulting word to complete the Bible verse.

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>> "So do not __ __ __ __ , for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God." Isaiah 41:10, NIV <<

Answer: fear



All children are invite to join RLC Sunday School that begins on September 4th at 10:30 AM.

We Hear God's Word

For July worship attendance averaged 32 on Thursday, 145 on Sunday, for a total of 177. We currently are blessed with 311 baptized members.

Adult Bible attendance averaged 39 per week. We currently are blessed with 225 communicant members. Thanks for each person who heard God's Word in worship and Bible study.

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

On Sunday August 14th - 18th we had children and adults attending VBS in the evenings at RLC. On their final day the children sang at the end of the Thursday worship service to finish up the week of VBS.



Catechism Class Begins

Catechism class begins again in September for all those in 7th and 8th grade. Class will be offered twice per week, once on Wednesdays, starting September 7 and on Sundays, starting September 11. Classes will run from 6.00 pm until 7.30 pm. The Wednesday and Sunday classes are the same. The class is being offered twice to accommodate families.

Invite a Friend to Bible 101 classes

On Saturday, September 10 at 9.30 am we will be inviting people to our next Bible 101 class, which begins on September 22 at 7.30 pm. After about a half hour of prayer, encouragement, training and logistics, we will visit people who have had previous contact with our congregation. We will be done by noon at the latest. If you are interested, speak with Gene Cate, Tom Schloesser or Pastor.

What is a Bible 101 Class?

Our next Bible 101 class will begin on Thursday, September 22 at 7.30 pm. It's a great chance to learn or relearn the basics of the Bible. Also a fantastic opportunity to invite a friend to hear the good news about Jesus. Class lasts five weeks and each session is about one hour in length. See the information elsewhere in this newsletter.

If you and/or a friend are interested in this class, but the Thursday night time is not convenient for you, speak with Pastor and another time can be arranged.

Bible Study: Timely Topics, Timeless Truths

A new Bible study for adults will begin on Sunday morning, September 11, from 10.30 until 11.30 am. The study is called Timely Topics, Timeless Truths.

Have you ever felt unprepared to talk about today's hot-button issues from a Christian perspective? Do you wish you could be better equipped to defend why you believe what you do when your faith is challenged, and yet do it in a loving way? Our upcoming study, Timely Topics, Timeless Truths, will equip you with biblical truths for engaging in challenging issues with your family, friends, and coworkers. We will dig into these interesting topics like intelligent design, global warming, gender identity. Class begins on Sunday, September 11 at 10:30 am. We hope to see you there!

Giving Thanks!

On September 24th it will be twenty-five years since I received my "last hours" life-saving liver transplant through the world famous Mayo Clinic, Rochester, MN. I daily thank God for walking with me, and for the many times He carried me, through difficult days. My sincere thanks to all donor families for sharing their loved one with so many appreciative recipients.

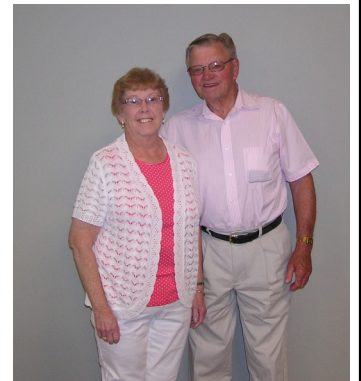
It is with grateful appreciation and thanks to my donor family, Terry & Wenda McCoy, Saskatoon, SK, Canada, and their older son, Heath, Calgary, AB, for sharing this unselfish gift at their darkest hour when losing their 18-year-old son and brother, Jay, in an auto accident.

I live life to the fullest and value this incredible gift. I enjoyed seeing our daughter, Jackie, marry Jeff, the love of her life. Together they have blessed us with two lovely grandchildren, Katelyn & Erik.

When we lived in MN I was privileged to volunteer, speak, and promote organ and tissue donation at health fairs and speaking engagements sponsored by LifeSource. In 2010 JR & I enjoyed volunteering at the Transplant Games held in Madison, WI. July 30, 2016 we attended the 50 year celebration of UW Madison Organ and Tissue Donation. A day of cheers and tears. A day of Hope and Gratitude. "I am Gratitude!"

I give thanks to God for all our friends at Resurrection Lutheran Church and Good News Lutheran Church for your unending friendship and loving support. God bless each and every one of you.

Thank You! ~ Annette Jopp



J. R. & Annette Jopp

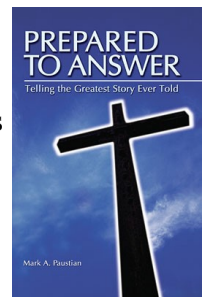
Volunteers Needed at the RLC PreK

We are looking for individuals to help keep the preschool classrooms clean. We are in need of one or more individuals to donate 1 hour per day Tues through Fri any time after noon. This would be a great service opportunity for Vine & Branches groups or the youth group and could be broken up to just one hour per week per person. Please see Ali Manning, Mike Korth or Denise Reimer if interested. Thank you for your consideration.

Join us for Ladies Bible Study - Begins September 12th

Summer will be over and with the beginning of the school year, Ladies Bible Study will begin. We will begin a study of, "Prepared to Answer". If you have ever felt speechless when trying to talk to someone about your faith, this book is amazing. It will bring real life stories to life, as the author tells of ways to respond to different questions when you meet people in their walks of life. Jesus wants us to always "be prepared to give an answer for the Hope we have." And with the help of the Holy Spirit, we will be equipped to answer.

The Ladies will be meeting again on Monday mornings @8:15, at church. The start date is Monday, September 12. (First Monday after Labor Day) Hope to see many women there!



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