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Trunk or Treat
Sunday
October 27
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm.

Come join the fun by decorating a trunk or bringing kids to Trick or Treat. Free soda, pizza and entertainment for all ages. Register your family online www.LCRSTL.org.



Gingerbread House Making Event
Join us
Saturday, December 21 at 9 am
Look for details and sign up in November.



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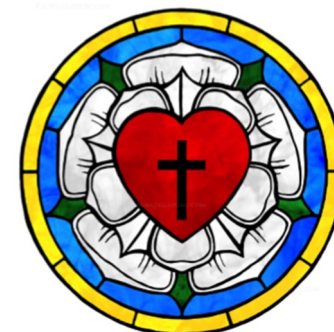
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Another quarter in our life together come and gone. Things change, and things stay the same. As I'm writing this, Lindsey and I are getting ready for the imminent birth of our daughter. Thank you for so many prayers and well-wishes. We have felt incredibly loved throughout this pregnancy. Thank you.

In brief, be encouraged. Be encouraged by what the Holy Spirit is doing in your life. Be encouraged by what the Holy Spirit is doing at Resurrection. It's good to have respite, Sabbath, as we tend to do in the summer; Music rehearsals take a hiatus, confirmation classes break for the summer, mid-week Bible studies are in recess. Just as our personal lives need down time, it is o.k. for the Church to have that as well. But everything is back up and running, so many things have gotten back underway, the building is filled with life, so be encouraged! Music, confirmation, fellowship, are all in stride, and the energy at LCR seem to be higher now than since I arrived. Thank you for what you each contribute to the joy and life that fills our family of faith. Let's keep it going! Plug in, get involved! Where there is excellence, celebrate it. Where there is room for growth, push for it. Love one another. Follow Jesus. Nurture joy in the life He has given. Jump in the leaves (whenever they actually fall), kiss your children/grandchildren, receive Communion with a reverent and youthful wonder.

God the Father loves you. Jesus covers you. The Holy Spirit has made you a new creation. And I'm privileged to be your pastor.

Pastor Gruenwald



Reformation Sunday
Sunday, October 27
10 a.m.

***No Saturday Service or Sunday Bible Studies**
1st Communion and New Member Welcome

FROM THE VICAR

I've enjoyed getting to know people as I've begun my vicarage year. The staff and volunteers that come through the office each day bring variety and joy to everyday life. Getting to visit people in their homes and in the hospital has been a particular blessing. Becoming a part of people's lives as they go through particularly difficult struggles, offering them encouragement and hope from our Lord is a true gift.

Thank you to everyone for being so welcoming and supportive as I begin this year.

I look forward to sharing life with you over the rest of the year.

~Vicar Chuck

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The Bible says "ask and it shall be given to you", and so I did through prayer. The Lord responded by sending over seventy volunteers to participate in the LCR Mission Circle Rummage Sale during the week of August 17-22. Praise the Lord!

The sale generated approximately \$7,200 to be used for mission efforts (e.g. Belize teams, LCMS Blind Ministry, St. Trinity-Carondelet summer program, Bethlehem's children's choir, Bible Translators, Jennifer Wientge's deaconess studies, and more)

How wonderful is that! Plus, we made new friends as members of the congregation came together in joint effort. In addition to the money, we donated shoes to the Shoeman Water Project and housewares to Feed My People.

I cannot thank my wonderful volunteers enough. Without your help this would never have been possible. I am most appreciative of the many men that stepped up to help in the pick-ups and unloading. Your strength was invaluable. And of course we cannot



forget our "Rummage Sale Angel" Larry Matthews, for the "extras" he does for us and Charlie Rhodes for barbequing our lunch. Also, thank you to our friends from Christ Memorial (CM) and Faith (F) who assisted with the sale. A special thank you to Thrivent for providing seed money for supplies and food. It is always a blessing to have their support.

So, to those on the list below, thank you from the bottom of my heart for making this year a record success. (If I missed anyone, please accept my apologies) Blessings, Janet Rhodes



Diane Albers (CM)
Pat DeLunas (CM)
Doug Handpeter (CM)
Joyce Renna (CM)
Judy Richardson (CM)
Pat Schmer (CM)
Debbie Simmons (F)
Pam & Dean Adams
Laurie Baan
Jamie Bamvakais
Pam Barth
Billie Bates
Verona Borlesch
Carol & Mike Brown

Barb Buscher
Don Claus
Sandy Conway
Char Earnie
Judy Eckert
Erich, Luke & Ben Faulstich
Robin Ferreti
Warren & Phyllis Fick
Nancy Gloss
Pastor Gruenwald
Carolyn Hebenstreit
Joyce & Bob Hemmann
Lynn Hemphill
Dot Holaway

Sara Hochgrebe
Christine Hughes
Diane Huskey
Dave Jackson
Rich & Marta Jauer
Justin Knabach
Jeanette Kuehnert
Margaret Lauth
Gloria & Kent Lemp
Jerry Linder
Linda Martin
Bud & Jeanne Moss
Larry Matthews
Rick & Julie Newberry

Joanne Petrikovitsch
Lisa Podjeski
Vince Preheim
Theresa Reichley
Rich & Karen Reichley
Mike Reim
Charlie & Janet Rhodes
Vicar Chuck Ridley
Shirley Rogles
Hans & Marie Springer
John Springer
Sue & Maury Wichmann
Ben Wichmann
Ed & Linda Wiesehan



The Early Childhood Program begins registration for the 2020/2021 school year in February.

Resurrection members can enroll before all others beginning December 2.

If you need forms or information, call 843.6633 x.109 or visit www.resurrectionearlychildhood.com.

Make sure to complete your enrollment before February 11 to guarantee a spot for your children!



LCR Member Hillary Stout joined the Green Park staff in 2019 as the Art Teacher.



Not Pictured: Isaac Harrison

GREEN PARK SUNDAY at Resurrection - Sunday, November 17

Join us as we celebrate our ministry with Green Park Lutheran School!



20 sponsors & 123 golfers showed their support at the Acorn Links Golf Course at the Golf FORE Education. Thanks to Green Park Direction of Development and LCR Member, Laura Reis for planning a fun event!

Making a Difference

Do you have ideas on how Resurrection can help those in need in our community, especially working in conjunction with other churches and community help organizations? Are you a good listener to other people's ideas and can work together with them to bring assistance to those who are hurting economically to get back on their own two feet? Can you make a difference in their lives? IF SO, WE NEED YOU to be Resurrection's representative to Feed My People's Board of Directors, a group made up of dedicated Christians from a variety of churches in south St. Louis County and Jefferson County.

This group meets four times a year in an evening during the week for 1 ½ - 2 hours. You and the other church representatives can discuss what Feed My People is doing to help and make recommendations of other ways which they can help. If interested in being a representative or in finding out more, please call Carol or John DeGuire at 314 330-6567 (Carol) or 307-2074 (John) or deguirec@aol.com or johnnyjo@aol.com



Welcome

Adalynn Grace Gruenwald
Born October 2 at 8:37pm
7lbs, 11oz, 19in
"Every good and perfect gift
is from above" James 1:17



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The Sonrise Harbor Children will lead the worship service on **Sunday, Dec 22 at the 11:00 Morning Praise Service.** We will be learning the songs and practicing readings during Sonrise Harbor in November and December. We hope all can participate in this meaningful children's worship.



Oh Snap!

Hey Kids! Get excited about a fun new December event....
Join us **Saturday, December 21 at 9 am** for
Gingerbread House making.
Look for details and sign up in November

ALL SAINTS CELEBRATION NOVEMBER 2 & 3

Join us as we remember those who have entered Heaven's Glory this year:

Susan Holzborn
Irene Sulhoff
Mary O'Neill
Mitchell O'Brien
Marilyn Moellenhoff

Ruth Owens
Shirley Rapp
Richard Collins
Gerald Koch



Advent Midweek Devotions

Wednesdays
11:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
In the Sanctuary
December 4
December 11
December 18



Adopt-a-Family for Christmas!

Names available beginning
November 16th & 17th
Donation Drop Off Days
December 13 & 14



Festival of Sacred Christmas Music

Sunday
December 8
4:00 p.m.



Christmas Eve Services

Tuesday, December 24
2:00 p.m., 4:00 p.m.
& 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Day Service
Wednesday, December 25,
10:00 a.m.

Give a little Christmas Cheer

“Hearts of Servants” is gearing up for our Christmas Programs at Resurrection.

They are coming up quickly.

We will again offer the **“ADOPT A FAMILY”** Christmas Basket

Program. These families will come from those who need help and are clients at Feed My People.

You pick a family (we give the names and ages) and purchase food for a special Christmas Meal and some staples for them.

We will also have the **“ADOPT A CHILD”** program. These children will come from Rev. Schmitdke at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. You pick a child (we have the name, age and sex) and purchase a special gift(s).

This is a popular program and the profiles go fast. Look for us starting November 16th and 17th in the lobby. Bring your family and pick out a family or child you would like to **“adopt”**. The profiles are available for 4 weekends.

The distribution of these items will take place on December 13th and 14th.

The baskets and/or gifts you put together **MUST** be dropped off on Friday evening or Saturday morning!

There will be specific instructions and guidelines available when you pick out your family or child. The recipients will pickup their baskets and gifts Saturday afternoon.

We will also offer the **“GIVING TREE”** program.

Take an item or two off the tree and return it to the box in the narthex. These items help supplement Feed My People client homes during the holidays.



YOU CAN MAKE A BRIGHTER CHRISTMAS FOR SOMEONE IN NEED.

Questions? Call Carol 330.6567 or John 307.2074

WE ALWAYS NEED HELP GATHERING THE DONATIONS AND DISTRIBUTING THEM ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY!

MEAL A MONTH

Can't commit to the above? No time? Make a donation in the yellow envelope—bring in canned goods, paper products or toiletries ANY time—every little bit you do does a lot of good in our community!

Save The Date!

Friday & Saturday, April 24 & 25, 2020 and November 20 & 21, 2020

These are the potential dates for next year's Men's Retreat for 18 and older.

Next year, following up on the suggestions from a post-retreat survey, we will try to add some time to enjoy God's own cathedral, outside with the walking trails, the woods and areas to just stop and take time to pray and to listen to God.

We have two retreat houses on this side of the river which could accommodate us: The Lasalle Retreat Center on April 24/25, 2020 (after Easter) and the Marianist Retreat Center, November 20/21, 2020 (before Thanksgiving). Both are on Highway 109 just a couple of miles north of Eureka.

We hope that all of the men from Resurrection can join us next year and grow in your relationship with God and with the other guys from our church.

Watch for more details and registration deadlines as we get closer.

Questions? Contact John DeGuire



As we turn our hearts to Thanksgiving, we are thankful for the blessings that God has given Resurrection since its conception in 1956. None of this would have happened without the working of His Spirit in faithful servants these many years. And He continues to provide faithful workers in His Church today.

Please take the opportunity to thank those who have served you—the usher, the Pastor, the teacher, the server, the lawn mower, etc.—and influenced your faith by their example. May your time of giving thanks be a God glorifying opportunity for you.

**Many, many thanks to all of YOU for showing your love through your generosity—
Generosity with your time
Generosity with your talents
And Generosity with your money
God is good and we are thankful.
Yes, many, many thanks.**

END-OF-YEAR GIVING REMINDER 12/31

GIFTS OF CASH or CHECKS

Checks dated on or before Dec. 31, 2019 and mailed via U.S. Postal Service with postmark on or before Dec. 31, 2019 will be counted for 2019 even if received in 2020.

We will send members a 2019 contribution statement by the end of January 2020. If there is a problem with your statement please contact the church office at ext. 101 or email Church@lcrstl.org

GIFTS FROM INDIVIDUAL RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

Check with your tax advisor to see if you would benefit from making a direct transfer from an IRA to Resurrection. Qualified Americans 70½ or older may donate from their RMD to the ministries at Resurrection **any time of the year**. To qualify for the IRA charitable transfer, the gift must come directly from your IRA administrator, be made payable to *Lutheran Church of the Resurrection* and mailed to:

**Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
9907 Sappington Road, St Louis MO 63128**

Ask your IRA administrator to include your name & ministry designations with the gift.

Resurrection's Tax ID is 43-0792295

GIFTS OF SECURITIES

Check with your tax advisor about donating stock. It may be advantageous for you. A stock gift date is the date on which the stock is transferred into Resurrection's account. If you are planning to make a transfer please contact the church office so we can check on it. Transfer stock directly into Resurrection's brokerage account

**John Gower
314.961.2092
TD Ameritrade Institutional
Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
Account # 902-063258 DTC#0188**

THRIVENT MEMBERS

Have opportunities to give to Resurrection with no cost to themselves!

Thrivent members can designate Resurrection—ID# 505367325

as the recipient of their

Thrivent Choice Dollars.

WE RECEIVED OVER \$11,000 FROM THRIVENT LAST YEAR.

THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT INCOME SOURCE. To donate call 1.800.847.4836 and say Thrivent Choice

AND

Thrivent members are eligible to obtain two \$250 action team gift cards each calendar year. These help fund our ministries that touch people. To find out more contact Pastor or the church office

Cards have supported Robotics, Trunk or Treat, Children's Activities, Youth Group, Quilters, Prayer Shawl, & Missions If you are willing to help we have ideas for more cards!

GIFTS GIVEN ONLINE

We are now receiving over 9% of our donation online! You are in control and can set up reoccurring payments and designate where your dollars to go

OR

Gifts can be immediately processed at www.lcrstl.org. Click on the donate tab in the upper right corner of the website. Click on the green Vanco button to make a donation.



Double Your Donation!

MATCHING GIFTS

Some employers also offer matching gift programs. Check to see if one is available with your employer. This would in effect double your donation!