

"All Things Are Possible With God" Mark 10:27

Worship Times: In-Person ~ Sunday 9:00am Adult Bible Study - Sunday 10:30am Live Streaming via Facebook - Sundays 9:00am All services transmitted in parking lot on FM 98.3 Communion is celebrated every Sunday @ 9:00am

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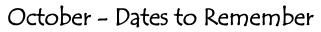
Pastor Licht is off Mondays



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10/01 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Sunday School
10/03 Tues.	6;30pm	LWML Choir Practice
10/04 Weds.	9:00am	LifeLight Class
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
	7:00pm	LifeLight Class
10/05 Thurs.	6:30pm	LWML Bible Study
	6:30pm	Elder Meeting
10/07 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
	7:30am	Men's Bible Breakfast
10/08 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Sunday School
10/09 Mon.	3:30pm	Quilt Assembly Group
	6:30pm	Future Planning Meeting
10/10 Tues.	6;00pm	LBDC Board Meeting
10/11 Weds.	9:00am	LifeLight Class
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
	6:30pm	ED Board Meeting
	7:00pm	LifeLight Class
10/12 Thurs.	6:30pm	Council
10/14 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
	8:00am	LWML Fall Zone Rally
10/15 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Sunday School
10/18 Weds.	9:00am	LifeLight Class
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
	7:00pm	LifeLight Class
10/20 Fri.	12:00pm	Fellowship Friday
10/21 Sat.	7:00am	Workout
10/22 Sun.	9:00am	Divine Service
	10:30am	Adult Bible Study/Youth Sunday School
10/24 Tues.	9:30am	Mugs & Muffins
10/25 Weds.	9:00am	LifeLight Class
	5:30pm	Confirmation Class
	7:00pm	LifeLight Class
10/26 Thurs.	5:30pm	Christian Care Meal Prep/Serve
10/27 Fri.	5:00pm	Fall Family Fest & Youth "Bond" Fire



The Gospel for October

October 1st—Matthew 21:23-27 The Authority of Jesus Questioned

²³ Jesus entered the temple courts, and, while he was teaching, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him. "By what authority are you doing these things?" they asked. "And who gave you this authority?" Jesus replied, ²⁵ John's baptism—where did it come from? ²⁷ So they answered Jesus, "We don't know." Then he said, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

October 8th—Matthew 21:33-46 The Parable of the Tenants

³³ "Listen to another parable: There was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall around it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place."

October 15th—Matthew 22:1-14 The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

⁸ "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come.⁹ So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' ¹⁰ So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, the bad as well as the good, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

October 22nd—Matthew 22:15-22 Paying the Imperial Tax to Caesar

¹⁹ Show me the coin used for paying the tax." They brought him a denarius, ²⁰ and he asked them, "Whose image is this? And whose inscription?"

²¹ "Caesar's," they replied.

Then he said to them, "So give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

October 29th—Matthew 11:12-19 Reformation Sunday

¹⁸ For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon.' ¹⁹ The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.' But wisdom is proved right by her deeds."



¹² From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been subjected to violence,^a and violent people have been raiding it. ¹³ For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John.¹⁴ And if you are willing to accept it, he is the Elijah who was to come.¹⁵ Whoever has ears, let them hear. ¹⁶ "To what can I compare this generation? They are like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling out to others:

> ¹⁷ "'We played the pipe for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn.'

A WORD FROM PASTOR LICHT OCTOBER MESSAGE PAGE +

Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Cor. 9:7

Are you happy and cheerful when we reach the point in the Divine Service to pass the offering plate? If so, what are you happy about? Is it because we've reached a point in the service that feels like intermission or the seventh inning stretch? Are you excited to see the plate coming your way or do you just wish the ushers would pass you by?

The connection of the offering to the Divine Service is something we too easily overlook. The offering is an integral part of the service, yet we tend to treat it as simply a practical necessity, something we must do if we want to keep the lights on and the doors open. What we have a harder time seeing is that the offering necessarily flows from the gathering of God's people around His Word and Sacraments. It's a necessity because God is the One who brings it to be.

God has called us together to be His people—"a people for His own possession" (1 Pt 2:9). He sent His Son to be *the* offering, offered up on the cross to buy us back out of sin and darkness. Jesus came not to be served but to serve (Mk 10:45) and His service to us to keep us as His holy people continues today through His Word and His Sacraments.

It is the sacrificial service of our Lord that not only rescues us from sin, death, and devil, but also knits us together in fellowship with one another as the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:27). Just as individual members of a body work together, freely sharing what is theirs with the rest of the body, so it is with the body of believers (Acts 2:42-44). We have life in Christ, not merely as individual believers but together as a united body with Christ as our head. Led by the self-sacrifice of our Savior, we are now necessarily led to a life of self-sacrifice.

Recognizing that the material goods and wealth God blesses us with are the substance of our life here on earth, we offer back to God a fraction of that life as a symbolic gesture of the giving up of our whole life in sacrificial service to Him (Rom 12:1).

There's a part of every human that recognizes the need for sacrifice to God. It's a part of God's Law written on our hearts (Rom 2:15). But until we recognize and believe in the sacrifice Christ made for us on the cross to be the once-for-all sacrifice for the sins of the world we will get our sacrifices to God wrong. Without Christ's sacrifice we will see our sacrifices to God as something to please Him and win His favor, so He might be inclined to give us more blessings. But with faith in Christ's sacrifice, we will see our offerings and sacrifices as part and parcel of the joyful life we have been given in Christ. Our offerings then become not merely a necessary matter of practicality, but rather they are a way of life—the new life we've been given in Christ.

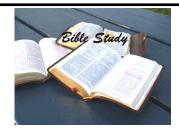
Still not feeling the joy of that offering plate? Relax. It's not a joy that you will find from within. Rather, it's a joy that must first be given to you. Let God feed you first with His heavenly riches that come to you through His Word. Be in His Word daily and come to His house prepared to be served by Christ. Then you will find joy and confidence not in yourself but in the grace of God and be able to say along with the Apostle Paul:

...God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. (2 Cor 9:7b-8).



By the Grace of God, Pastor Licht

Bible Studies



Bible Study Sunday mornings (a) 10:30am

ENDURING FAITH

A lifetime of spiritual growth is what we've been called into from the day of our baptism.

Join us on Sunday mornings for that purpose as we study the same Bible lessons as our youth so that we might grow together with them and model for them a lifetime of growing in God's Word.

This month we will begin a unit titled, "Jesus Teaches His Church." Our lessons will highlight much of Jesus' earthly ministry as well as His ongoing work through the Church in the book of Acts and conclude with a look at the promised new heaven and new earth on the day of His return.



New Member Class

If you or someone you know is interested in joining our church, please contact Pastor Licht or call the church office, 563-386-2342.



Sunday School

Meets every Sunday At 10:30am

All Children Are Welcome!

THE ARISING NEWS

Middle School & High School Youth Page 6

"...with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me to LIVE IS CHRIST, and to die Is gain."

> ~St. Paul Philippians

Friends are Welcome at all of our events. Please invite them! Calling all Middle school and High School students!

Middle schoolers will join Mr. Rich Emory in the library & High Schoolers will join Mr. Stephen Smith in his office for Bible class every Sunday at 10:30am.

Journey through the early church of the New Testament.

You won't want to miss it!!

Bring a friend!

+ Dates to Remember: October 27th - Fall Family Fest-5-8pm Youth "Bond" Fire following the Fall Family Fest 8-10pm

Join us on October 27th for our Annual RCLC Fall Family Fest! Sign up in the fellowship hall to help with the games, try out the chili at the chili cook-off. A great time for the whole family! Stay afterward for the youth "bond" fire! Kids Connection submitted by Leslie McCoy PAGE 7



Calling all 3 year old's - 5th graders!!!

Join us upstairs on Sunday mornings to dig into God's word and learn about the early church of the New Testament. Invite a friend to join us!

If you have a **heart** for showing **children** the love of **Jesus** and would like to serve in Children's Ministry, there's a place for you! Please contact Leslie McCoy—leslie@rclcqc.org Call/text (309)230-4860



Dates to Remember: Oct 1 - 3rd grade Bible Presentation October 27th - Fall Family Fest-5-8pm November 5 - Daylight Savings Time ends; Children sing at 9am Worship service





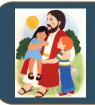


Join us on October 27th for our Annual RCLC Fall Family Fest! Wear your costumes for trunk-or treating, jump in the bounce houses, play games and try out the chili at the chili cook-off. A great time for the whole family! Starts @ 5pm. Sign up in the fellowship hall to host a trunk or donate supplies.



October 01 October 08 October 15 October 22 October 29 Janey Zirpel Heidi Iltis Naomi McCloud Voter's Meeting Leslie McCoy

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14



LITTLE BLESSINGS DAYCARE PAGE 8

"Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program."

Little Blessings – "Proclaiming the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ to children and their parents through a high quality child care program." September started our new school year for the daycare.

Each week throughout the year we have a planned theme, bible story, letter, number, color, shape and a nursery rhyme. The children have daily times when they learn about their bible story for the week along with their bible verse.

Our center is blessed to have the children all day so we can spread the learning out throughout the whole day and not have to rush through anything, or if there is a topic the children are really interested in we can spend more time on that topic. If anyone would like to see our curriculum or how we break up our weekly curriculum, please stop back in the daycare. A copy of our curriculum is sitting on the table by our front door. Help yourself to a copy.

I'd like to thank Barb (business manager) for all the years she has been with the daycare. We have had many tears, laughs, good and bad times, but God got us through it all. We will miss not having you around anymore. Good luck to your retirement.

We are still selling the Save Around coupon books until October 1st. If you are interested in purchasing one, please sign up in the fellowship hall and we'll get a book to you. Thanks for your support.

Readers needed. Anyone that loves children or loves to read is welcome to come read to our pre-k children. We have several dates open to choose from. We usually read in the morning, but could make changes if someone is interested in the afternoon.

Singers needed. If you love to sing and would just love to come sing with the children, you may change out reading for singing. We have a tote full of children's cd's in the library that can be used. Sign up in the fellowship hall and the children will be happy to sing with you.

During the month of October, our children will be learning about Noah's ark, elephants, Noah and his family and rainbows, Jacob's dream and night time, along with Jacob and Esau and opposites. The letters E through H, numbers 5 through 8, colors: gray, rainbow, blue and black and the shapes of: cylinders, triangles, stars and ovals. A new nursery rhyme will also be included each week.

At this time the center is at it's capacity. We have several families this year that have had babies this fall so we have had to hold openings for the children coming in. They should all be here by November.

In Christ, Terrie

BAPTISMS OCTOBER

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10/01 Megan Díppel 10/02 Blake Cornett 10/02 Carter Cornett 10/02 Sushma Mukírí 10/03 Regina Larson 10/05 Pam Osborn 10/06 Jím Wegener 10/08 Matthew Luebbe 10/08 Holly Meyer 10/13 Derek Gruenhagen 10/13 Easton Hay 10/13 Grace Schirm 10/14 Joycelyn Farís 10/14 Sam Ross 10/15 Bruce Werning

10/17 Krístí Jergens 10/18 Kaílynn McCracken 10/20 Síenna Repp 10/20 Pam Yocum 10/21 Teresa Kaszínskí 10/21 Nathan Repp 10/23 Ed Kelly 10/23 Harmony Reimers 10/23 Melody Reimers 10/24 Morgan Ferrís 10/25 Eden Clark 10/25 Graham Zírpel 10/27 Jordann Lehman 10/31 Kím Díppel 10/31 Stacy Thomas

"One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism." Ephesians 4:5

THE ARISING NEWS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY OCTOBER

10/01 Easton Hay 10/02 Jarrett Holshouser 10/02 Susan Knuth 10/04 Judy Harford 10/05 Robbin Eastman 10/05 Pam Yocum 10/07 Sarah Rasler 10/07 Nathan Repp 10/08 Eden Clark 10/08 Sydney Happel 10/08 Brody Welch 10/09 Ashley Ehlers 10/10 Barb Grosskopf 10/12 Mark Drenth 10/12 Larry Niebuhr 10/12 Gustav Ruhnke 10/14 Larry Keltner 10/14 David Luebbe 10/15 Ronan Carr 10/17 Allan Elias

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You; the Lord Make His Face to shine Upon You and be Gracious to You; the Lord lift up his Countenance upon You and give You Peace."



10/17 Rachel Smith 10/18 Kristy Ehlers 10/21 Marcia Bortleson 10/21 Abigail Luedtke 10/21 Sudeeksha Murkiri 10/21 Matt Trickey 10/22 Joel Bender 10/23 Kerry Gruenhagen 10/23 Byron Otto 10/24 Mark Iltis 10/26 Melissa Norin 10/28 Stacy Thomas 10/29 Emil Petersen 10/29 Mary Reisner 10/30 Cody Harkey 10/31 Halie Dodd 10/31 Jayne Holshouser 10/31 Aunna Romero 10/31 Jeremy Terry

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY OCTOBER

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10/01 Matthew & Dallas Brekke 10/29 Bob & Lisa Inghram 10/06 Scott & Jenny Miller 10/29 Adam & Melissa Norin 10/30 Robert & Carol McAnelly 10/14 Jeremy & Kitra Terry 10/15 Tim & Dawn Curtiss 10/17 Ronald & ori Van Sant 10/20 Edward & Carolyn Lesch 10/21 James & Shelly Hopp 10/21 Byron & Kathryn Otto "I am my beloved's and my 10/26 Roer & Angela Dodd beloved is mine. 10/26 Terry & Michelle Warner Song of Solomon 6:3 10/27 Pam & Scott Dittmer 10/28 James & Linda Hergert

Membership Changes

If you have changed address, or know of another member who did but may not have informed us, please either remind that person to get us the new information or supply it yourself. Thank you for helping us keep in touch with our treasured members.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

David Hentze (brother of Gary Hentze) - Cancer Treatment Rev. Bob Bartel—Undergoing Cancer Treatment Kali Gruenhagen—Ongoing Treatment at Home Paulette Waech—Recovering at Home Elaine Gordon—Undergoing Cancer Treatment Buddy Bayne—Heart Medical Procedure Kari and Dave Duncan—Recovering from Surgery Following an Accident Rose Allison—Undergoing Cancer Treatment Sandy Sievert—Recovering from Surgery

HOSPITALIZED? If you or a loved one is admitted to the hospital or will be an outpatient at any medical facility and you desire Pastor Licht to visit, please notify the church office at 386-2342. Also, if you are a home-bound member and would like a visit, feel free to request a visit by notifying the church office.

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

<u>Submitted by Grace Schrage</u> <u>Mites for missions:</u> In honor of our LWML Sunday - there will be two opportunities to add to the monies available for Iowa East District mission grants and the recently adopted National Mission Grants. We will have our large mite box out for your donations on the first Sunday as usual, but we will also give opportunity for all to add their special gift in recognition of LWML Sunday on Oct. 8. By the time this is published - we will have had our Fall PIN and Tie Day. Quilts pinned and tied. Thank you to those who provided items for our breakfast and thank you to those who came for our fellowship and work on Quilts.

OCTOBER: On the 8th, we celebrate LWML Sunday. This year, national has a theme: The King is Coming with Scripture: Psalm 24: 7-10. At RCLC, we will provide greeters, serve for coffee fellowship and dedicate LWR kits, and there are women who will join together to sing an LWML Song, With Joy We Come Together.

<u>October</u> <u>14th</u> - Davenport Zone Fall Rally - we are hosting and would encourage our ladies to join us as we tie fleece blankets and color Cards of Hope for Phil's Friends.

<u>Monthly Thursday Night Bible Study</u>: Join us on October 5th. A board meeting at 5:30 p.m. for board members and any others who would want to join us.

<u>MUGS and Muffins</u>: October 24th – activities are yet to be decided. We do enjoy devotional time and time to encourage each other as children of God.

<u>ADVENT EVENT</u>: DECEMBER 3rd: All ladies of Risen Christ are invited for an afternoon of fellowship and for time to prepare our hearts for celebrating the birth of our Savior. Program and other details are still in the planning stage.



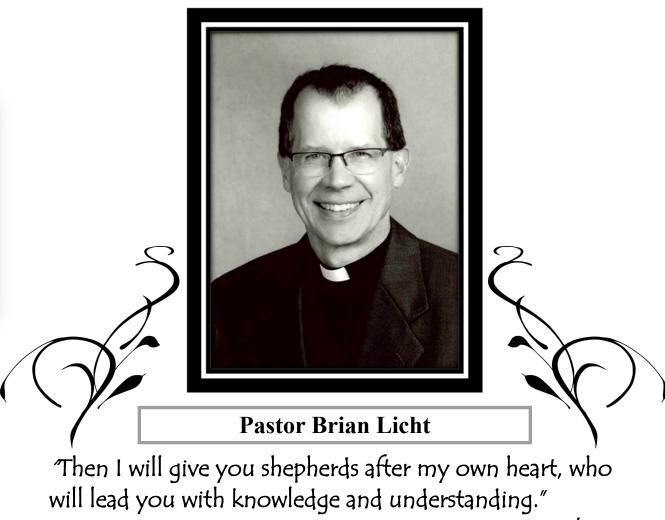
Voters Meeting/5th Sunday Potluck/Men's Bible Brkfst

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PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

October is Pastor Appreciation Month, We are Grateful and Appreciate Pastor Licht & Lynette Licht for their Care & Dedication to Risen Christ Lutheran Church and the Congregation.



Jeremiah 3:15

Council Notes for October 2023 Newsletter

Submitted by Scott Sievert The Risen Christ Church Council is elected as representatives of the congregation as the church follows its purpose in preaching the word of God, caring for its members, and serving in God's Kingdom.

Council met on September 14th at 6:30 PM

Pastors Report - The Council received a report from Pastor Licht regarding the on-going pastoral care ministry that he has been conducting along with Bible studies and confirmation teaching that is on-going. Every Sunday Communion has started with Rally Day and a consistent Sunday School and Sunday Adult Bible Study topics have begun.

Church Administrator Report - Stephen reported on on-going policy development, his role in assisting with budget preparation and additional/changing job duties that he will assume at least temporarily in light of a staff retirement and budgetary considerations.

Treasurers Report – Michelle gave the church and LBDC reports. The church continues to run a deficit and LBDC is now running with a small surplus.

The various boards reported on the work that they have been doing over the last month. Some of the highlights include.

Education and Childrens Ministry	 Fall Family Fest is October 27th The Youth are exploring fundraising options. Women's small group bible Studies will start in October.
Congregational Life	Freezer Meals for shut-ins are being planned. 5th Sunday Potluck is scheduled for October 29 th .
Elders	Working with the Elders to update info on congregants. Working on updating membership rolls. October is Church Workers month (Please show your appreciation to our Church Workers).
Future Planning	Future Planning reported on continuing to focus on what the future holds in light of the changing culture, budgetary considerations, and mission focus.
LBDC	Enrollment in the Day Care is full. A report on staffing. The state has increased their support for tuition for qualified children.
Stewardship	Stewardship has been blessed with the addition of two more board members. Christian Care Meal planning and service is ongoing. A winter coat drive is being planned.

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Trustees	A fall workday is being planned, please look for that date in the future. Continuing to work with contractors and the Church Administrator on the hail damage building repair. Gathering information and estimates for flooring maintenance.
Old Business	 LBDC Mission Charter – ongoing, no new report. External Financial Review by Mary Guy – the review has been completed and recommendations are being reviewed by staff and the treasurer for policy implementation. Investment move – the move to LCMS Foundation is in progress. Memorial Policy – Scott will draft a letter to the family of existing memorials advising them of the direction the church wants to take with a Memorial Policy.
New Business	 Spending Plan RCLC and LBDC – These plans were discussed and available information was presented. Final approval for recommendation to the Voters Assembly will be at the October Council Meeting. Bank Checking Acct (Who should be on it) – In light of the Business Manager Retirement, it was moved and approved that the Treasurer, Church Administrator, Council President and a member of the LBDC board will be signatories on the checking account at this time. CD Maturing – A CD is maturing and that investment needs to be rolled over. Moved and approved that the Treasurer in consultation with the Church Administrator will find the best vehicle for this CD. Accounting Clerk Position – This position was approved to be instituted and filled. Synodical Training Assistance request – Moved and approved to provide \$500.00 from the endowment fund to grant this Synodical Training Assistance request with the option for additional support if needed. Next year officers – A poll was taken and needs to fill Council positions
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The Council is looking for help in the many and various ways that Risen Christ supports the Pastor, Church Administrator, Staff, Members, and the Community. If you would like to get involved, have ideas, or have questions, please see any Council member.

Respectfully submitted by your brother in Christ. Scott Sievert

Youth News! Men's Bible Breakfast

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Confirmation Class Wednesday, October 4th at 5:30pm



2023-2024 Confirmation Class Welcome All Students to Confirmation Instruction with Pastor Licht If you Have questions, Contact Pastor Licht at: pastorlicht@rclcqc.org





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Men's Shelter Meal Service

Where: 2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL

When: The fourth Thursday night of each month. Arrive at the shelter between 5:00- 5:30 pm, depending on meal prep time required.

What: We provide a meal for 50-60 people.

Details: Meal items can be prepared ahead of time and heated up at the shelter. They have 2 big ovens that we can use. They provide serving dishes, utensils, plates, drinks and clean-up. We provide a tasty nourishing meal (main dish, side dishes, dessert.).

Thrivent members can apply for Thrivent Action Team dollars for each date they help in order to defray the costs.

In a nutshell: sign up for a date, plan a meal, prepare it and serve it with love.

Contact Bryan Johnson or Sandy Sievert or sign up at the kiosk in the narthex if interested in helping prepare a meal.

This is a great family or small group activity!

Look for Sign up at the kiosk for all months in 2024. Thursday, October 26th—OPEN

> 2209 3rd Avenue, Rock Island, IL 61201 (309) 786-5734 www.christiancareqc.org

Coat Drive/Divine Design Bible Study

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COAT DRIVE Including Accessories – Gloves – Scarfs – Hats Sponsored by the Stewardship Committee

Accepting Coats and Other Winter Gear in *All Sizes!* Men's, Women's and Children's *Now and through the month of October.*

Look for the Donation box in the Narthex! *Thank you*!

DIVINE DESIGN—40 days of Spiritual Makeover, Women's Bible Study



Sign up by October 1st! for this 8-week study beginning October 20th, 21st or 22nd.

The Sign-up Sheet is at the Ministry Table in the Narthex There are Various Study Days and Times available, choose the time that works Best for You. All Women are Welcome to Join our Bible Study, We'll start with a short video, then work together in the Study Guide.

> A \$10 Freewill donation is appreciated to cover the cost of the book.

Let's Have a Makeover Together! with a "Divine Design" Understanding of the Lords Word. See You There!

Contact Heidi Iltis at: hmiltis@yahoo.com

LWML SUNDAY/ZONE RALLY

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"Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!"



Risen Christ Lutheran Church Saturday, October 14th 8:30am – 11:30am

BARB GROSSKOPF RETIREMENT



Happy Retirement Barb Grosskopf!

After 18 years of Dedicated Service within our Church Business Office, Barb Grosskopf has Retired, Wednesday, September 13th.

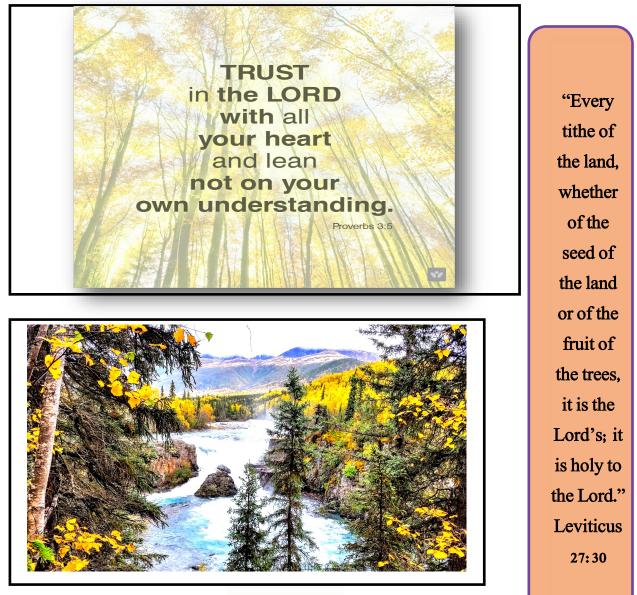
Sunday, October 1st Risen Christ will Celebrate Barb with an Acknowledgement During the Service, Cake & Beverages after the Service.

God Bless You Barb as You Move Forward Into Retirement, We Thank you for the Many Years of Service at Risen Christ Lutheran Church!

At Barb's Retirement Luncheon on 9/13/23, she was presented with a framed Isabel Bloom from Staff Including a Peace Dove and the Bible Verse, *Numbers 6:24-26*

"May the Lord Bless You and Keep You; May the Lord Make His Face Shine on You and Be Gracious To You; May the Lord Turn His Face Toward You and Give You Peace." Numbers 6:24-26

Contact Michelle Warner





LWML Events for October

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LWML Bible Study Next Meeting Thursday, October 5th At 6:30pm

All Women are Welcome!

Quilters Assembly Group Meeting, Monday, October 9th at 3:30pm

If You Have Quilting Skills or If You Have Never Quilted, You Are Welcome to Join Us!



Homebound Members of our Risen Christ Family:



Dorothy Bargmann Donna Cook Kristi Manley David Perry Gary Stichter Dan and Trish Speth Paulette Waech Dale Otto Doralee Rock Joe Speer

Keep these members in your prayers and don't forget to reach out to them as you are able (e.g.: cards, phone calls, text messages) and remind them that although they are not able to regularly gather together with us, they remain part of our family. Thank you.



<u>CHRIST'S HANDS IN ACTION</u> - Do you have tasks or small jobs around the house with which you need help? Risen Christ is looking to establish a "Service Group" at the church to assist church members (and others) with tasks/small jobs around the house. These small jobs could range from changing light bulbs to raking leaves, to small landscaping projects. As such, we are looking for inputs on service/assistance needs of members. After we formulate a list of projects, we will be seeking participation of members to assist with performance of these service tasks. **Please submit ideas/requests to Dave Luebbe**, or **write them on the sheet in the Narthex**, with sufficient contact information to allow follow-up on your suggestions. Thanks in advance for your inputs to jump start this new service opportunity.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Are you looking for ways to serve your neighbor? Consider taking part in one of our service options:

Christ's Hands In Action is a service group created to meet the needs of members of our church and community with small jobs or household tasks which they may not be able to do on their own. Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex.

Service Videos: Volunteers are wanted to help with video livestreams and editing for network airings. This is a great opportunity for adults and youth alike! Training is available by request.

Board of Trustees is always looking for new members! If hands-on skills are more your area of expertise, consider joining the Board of Trustees. Trustees help maintain the church building and grounds.

Members of all skill levels are needed, so if you have any interest in serving with one of these areas then please contact Dave Luebbe to take part!

Help Wanted!

We are in need of someone to mow the Little Blessings playground area. Please **contact Dave Luebbe** if you are interested in serving in this way!

RCLC News Women's Bible Study

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DIVINE DESIGN—40 days of Spiritual Makeover, Women's Bible Study. You are Welcome to Join our Bible Study, we'll start with a short video, and work together in the Study Guide. There are Various Study Days and Times available, choose the time that works Best for You. Please sign up by October 1st for this 8 week study beginning October

20th, 21st or 22nd. *A \$10 Freewill donation* is appreciated to cover the cost of the book. Let's Have a Makeover Together with a Divine Understanding of the

Lords Word. See You There!

LWML Sunday/LWML Fall Zone Rally

RCLC is Celebrating LWML Sunday, October 8th. The LWML Choir will Sing at the 9:00am Service Celebrating, "The King is Coming," Psalm 24:7-10.

LWML Fall Zone Rally, at RCLC on Saturday, October 14th beginning at 8:30am until 11:30am. Including the East District LWML Zone Coming Together at Risen Christ Church. Focus Study is Colossians 3:17, "Whatever you do, whether in Word or Deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." 9:00am Brunch and Fellowship Time, Pastor Licht will give the Devotion, Heidi Iltis will share information about Phil's Friends. Concluding with a short Bible Study. Fellowship with Your Sisters in Christ, Join Us!

THE REPORTER SEPTEMBER 18TH 2023

Participants needed for "Created Male and Female" retreat LCMS

Cheryl Magness is managing editor of the print and online versions of The Reporter

In April 2024, the Synod will hold a retreat for parents of children who have experienced difficulties related to sexual identity/orientation.

If you are interested in participating in the pilot project, please fill out the questionnaire at <u>lcms.org/parents-retreat</u>.

This event will be limited to a small number, but future events are planned.







Altar Flowers

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Beautify our Altar with flowers. Sign up at the kiosk bulletin board.

<u>Altar</u>

<u>Organ</u>

10/01 Margaret Miller & Terrie Burkey 10/08 LWML (Michelle Warner) 10/15 Tim & Dawn Curtiss 10/22 OPEN 10/29 Jason & Angela Franzenburg



Flower Chart for year 2023 is available on the kiosk in the narthex.

When you have signed up to provide flowers for a certain date, **please fill out the pink Altar Flower instruction sheet and turn it in to the office by the prior Sunday**. The cost for a bouquet is \$43 (slightly more if you wish to add special flowers).

Please make checks payable to RCLC Altar Guild.

Sunday Cookies

- 10/01 9:00am Congregational Life* 10/08 9:00am LWML* 10/15 9:00am Jean Wenndt & Anna Esbaum with Altar Guild* 10/22 9:00am Education Committee*
- 10/29 9:00am Stewardship Committee*



*Committee responsible when member's haven't signed-up.

Please sign up at the kiosk to provide or serve cookies or both. There are opportunity's for everyone to serve. Everyone enjoys treats & community building after Sunday morning services. Call the church office with any questions.

October Worship Servants

<u>Elders</u>

- 10/01 Stephen Smith
- 10/08 Mark Iltis
- 10/15 Tim Welch
- 10/22 Ian McCloud
- 10/29 Jason Franzenburg





<u>Current Elder Assignments</u> Families with last names starting with:

- A-B Ian McCloud
- **C-F** Stephen Smith
- **G-J** Mark Iltis
- **K-L** Scott Sievert
- **M-N** Tim Welch
- O-R TBD (Tim W.)
- **S** Jason Franzenburg
- T-V TBD (Tim W.)
- **W-Z** Jason Franzenburg

Sound & Video

- 10/01 Steven McCoy
- 10/08 Sam Ross
- 10/15 Dave Luebbe
- 10/22 Dick Schrage
- 10/29 Terry Warner



<u>Altar Guild—October</u> Scott & Sandy Sievert

Join the Altar Guild! Contact Margaret Miller, Dawn Curtiss or Pastor Licht if interested.



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- 10/01 Eden Clark
- 10/08 Dalton Ferris & Hayley Ferris
- 10/15 Hayden Rasler
- 10/22 Cameron Miller
- 10/29 Jacob Luedtke



"For you, O Lord, are my hope, my trust, O Lord, from my youth."

Psalm 71:5

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

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- 10/01 Jason Lehman, Allan Elias, Dean Enfield, Steven McCoy, Scott Sievert, Stephen Smith Elder: Stephen Smith
- 10/08 Sandy Sievert, James Luedtke, Rich Emory Dave Luebbe, Scott Sievert, Mark Iltis
- Elder: Mark Iltis
- 10/15 Bryan Johnson, Jason Lehman, Allan Elias, Dean Enfield, Scott Sievert, Tim Welch
- Elder: Tim Welch
- 10/22 Sandy Sievert, Rich Emory, James Luedtke, Scott Sievert, TBD, Ian McCloud
- Elder: Ian McCloud
- 10/29 Bryan Johnson, Jason Lehman, Allan Elias, Terry Warner, Scott Sievert, Jason Franzenburg
- Elder: Jason Franzenburg



GREETERS

9:00AM

- 10/01 Carol McAnelly & Sandy McLeod
- 10/08 Leslie McCoy
- 10/15 Tim & Jessica Welch
- 10/22 Kay Johnson & Sue Knuth
- 10/29 Allan & Nancy Elias



Prayer,

"Merciful God, You sent Your only Son to be our Good Shepherd, May His Word guide and protect us through the wilderness of this life, In Jesus' name. Amen." From: Portals of Prayer Holy Cross Day

