



# The Messenger

A Monthly Newsletter from Resurrection Lutheran Church



## A Future with Hope

Every year in the scripture readings on Pentecost Sunday we hear of people gathered in one place, speaking and hearing one another in new and exciting ways, and being inspired to dream dreams and see visions. This year on Pentecost Sunday, our invitation to you is connected to the long-ago dreams and visions that are still very alive and present today.

Please join us for worship at 9:30 a.m. and a kick-off breakfast following worship on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> as we begin our 2022-2024 Capital Campaign: A Future with Hope.

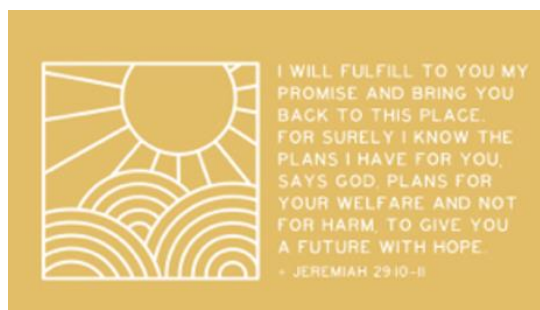
As church, we proclaim the good news of Jesus and of God who loves us just as we are and calls us to be more than ever before. We gather for worship, encouragement, and community. We learn and serve in small groups and in partnership with other congregations and non-profit organizations. We share our extensive space with our neighbors as they gather as musicians, recovery fellowships, prayer gatherings, and other special interest groups.

At this point in our church's history, our building is in need of repair related to the wooden doors and to water infiltration over the School Street entrance, on the south side of the sanctuary, and in the west facing stairwells. Since 2019 we have been working with a reputable engineering and forensic firm to research the problem and form a solution. At a special meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup>, we voted to move forward with the repairs, to commit to a contractor, and to refinance our current loan with the Mission Investment Fund.

I am especially thankful for our council members (all of whom have pledged their support already), president Danie Muriello, treasurer Kyle Bahkshi, and Linda and Bill Chin for their wisdom and guidance through all these processes. I am also thankful for Sarah Angelino, Eloise Thompson, and Rob Youngman who are serving on our Capital Campaign Committee.

I pray you'll join us this Sunday to learn more from our committee members during and after worship. If you're unable to join us, rest assured, an information and pledge packet will be coming in the mail!

+Pastor Kelly

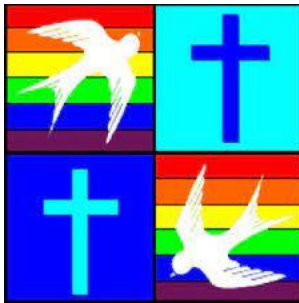




**MISSION ENDOWMENT FAIR - SUNDAY, JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup>  
10:30 A.M. – NOON**

We're excited to welcome back representatives from the organizations that received a grant from our Mission Endowment Fund this year! Our first MEF fair was in early March, 2020 and we're thankful to be in-person again!

Chaplain Leslie Hunter from Holy Family Ministries will join us in worship as our guest preacher. He is a dynamic preacher and we're thankful he'll be with us again.



**THE CHICAGO COALITION OF  
WELCOMING CHURCHES  
2022 PRIDE**

This year's theme is  
Embracing All and Loving Boldly!

*Greetings to our partners and friends!*

**The Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches will be marching in this year's pride parade on Sunday, June 26, 2022!**

**The Chicago Coalition of Welcoming Churches is an all volunteer run organization.**

**To ensure our successful presence in the 2022 Pride Parade, please consider joining us for our weekly Pride Planning meetings!**

**Wednesday, June 1, 2022,  
6:30 – 7:30 PM, virtually by zoom**

**Questions - email us  
at [info@chicagowelcomingchurches.org](mailto:info@chicagowelcomingchurches.org)**

**BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN NEED**

During June and July, the Stewardship invites you to donate items to high school students who receive their education at the Lawrence Hall therapeutic school. This environment is designed to meet the unique and individual needs of youth whose history or life circumstances mandate that they attend a school other than their Chicago Public home school. It gives them a better chance to thrive and graduate. Some of the most desired items are:

- Scientific Calculators (eg. Casio fx-300ES Plus 2)
- Flash Drives (eg. Mosdart 16GB USB 2.0 flash drive swivel thumb drive zip drive memory stick with Led indicator)
- Index Cards
- Post It Note Pads (3X3)
- Mechanical Pencils

You may place your gift to the students in the offering plate or in the basket located in the room between the sanctuary and parish hall.

Lawrence Hall's Expressive Therapy Program is a recipient of a Mission Endowment Fund grant from Resurrection. To find out more about Lawrence Hall visit their website at [lawrencehall.org](http://lawrencehall.org).



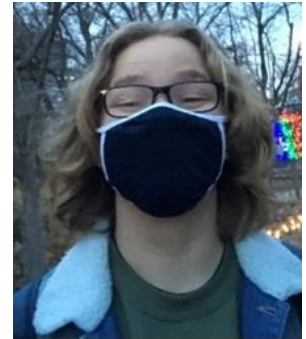
## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL GRADUATES

*We give thanks for the accomplishments of these siblings in Christ and pray for God's presence to be felt in their futures!*



**CHRISTIAN YOUNGMAN**

I am graduating from Senn High School in June. I will attend Drake University. I plan to study political science and psychology. Some of my favorite memories at Resurrection are attending Sunday school and the RAP summer program.



**CADY MCKENZIE**

I am graduating from Jones College Prep and will be attending DePaul University in the fall. I am going to major in Animation. Some of my favorite Resurrection memories are playing basketball and foosball upstairs after the service.



**GREGOR MCKENZIE**

Gregor is graduating from Northside College Prep and attending the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana.



**SEMINARIAN MAEVE SCHURZ**

Maeve graduated from the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago and is awaiting her first call. She is back home with her parents in Pennsylvania. If you'd like to send her greetings, her address is 415 W. Prospect Ave, North Wales, PA 19454



**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BERGMAN/HEINZ AND STRYBIS FAMILIES ON THE RECENT BAPTISMS OF SCARLETT AND ADAM. WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR YOU ALL IN YOUR LIVES IN CHRIST!**



## Happy Birthday!

- 1 Lois Barliant
- 6 Lucille Amodeo
- 9 Stephanie Youngman
- 12 Stephanie Johnston
- 18 Blakely Clauss
- 22 Sherman Hicks
- 24 James Crandall
- 25 Laura Fosler
- 30 Ellen Bechthold

If we missed anyone or included someone accidentally, please let [the church office](#) know.

### SOLOIST LAURA SMALLEY CONCERT IN JULY

Soloist Laura Smalley and The Peppermint Patties have a concert coming up in July. The show is July 31<sup>st</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. at the Venus Cabaret Theater.

For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit:  
<https://www.mercurytheaterchicago.com/the-peppermint-patties>



With breath from the Spirit that moved across the waters at creation, God we ask that you grant us  
**A future with hope.**

With breath from the Spirit breathed into Adam, God we ask that you grant us  
**A future with hope.**

With breath from the Spirit that made dry bones dance, God we ask that you grant us  
**A future with hope.**

With breath from the Spirit to help us trust and to serve, to steward and to give, God we ask that you grant us  
**A future with hope.**

### YOUNGISH WOMEN'S GROUP

The RLC Youngish Women (women in their 20's, 30's, & 40's) gather for fellowship, study, and fun. For more information, please contact Sarah Lepp at [sarahclepp@gmail.com](mailto:sarahclepp@gmail.com). Join the YW on Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> for a service project!

### MEN'S GROUP

Starting May 7th, the Men's Group gather in-person (hybrid) at church. Our new schedule will be a hybrid (in-person and Zoom) meeting on the first Saturday of the month and an all Zoom meeting two weeks from that Saturday. For more information, please contact Rick Kline at [rick1749@comcast.net](mailto:rick1749@comcast.net).



# Prayers from the RLC Stewardship Team

*These prayers are written or selected by members of our Stewardship Team for use in Sunday worship for the date noted and then for personal prayer in the month **after** they have been prayed in worship.*

**May 1**

God of our Baptism, we thank you for the ‘little ones’ who are being brought to RLC for the Rite of Baptism this spring. We are also thankful for their parents, sponsors and other family members who will participate in this service. We ask that as they grow, these children discover the joy of being loved by God. We ask that they are assisted in their faith journey by the words and actions of their families, sponsors and this congregation. God, please remind each of us of the gift of Baptism and help us to reflect God’s grace and love as we go about our dally lives.

**May 8**

Good and gentle God, we pray in gratitude for those who mother. Grant them the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the faithful support of family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children and give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.

**May 15**

We give thanks for those who generously contributed their time to teaching Sunday School this year. In another year of primarily class from a distance, we are grateful for their creativity, patience, and fortitude. We pray that all who participate in Sunday School have fond memories of these days and cherish the bonds that formed. May these teachers feel assured that we greatly appreciate their talents and devotion.

**May 22**

Gracious and loving God, graduation session is upon us and we give thanks for all graduates, especially those connected to our Resurrection community: Cady McKenzie, Gregor McKenzie, and Christian Youngman We ask your blessing and guidance upon them as they reach this end and as they chart new beginnings. Bless them with hope so that they move into the future with eager and open hearts. Help them to put the knowledge, skills, and insight gained through their education for the good of all humankind. Inspire them to believe in the goodness of life even when faced with challenges and difficulties. Continue to bless the graduates with love, protection, mercy, strength, and wisdom

**May 29**

Lord, we are blessed to be living in a free society. May we honor our American soldiers for the liberty we have in this country. For all those who have protected our nation, for the men and women in uniform, together we say “Thank You.” God, help us to live courageously to follow the brave examples of those who have gone before us.

Drawn from CBN.com and Crosswalk.com



	April 30, 2022	Actual YTD	Budget YTD
<b>Offering/Giving</b>	11,726.81	72,214.24	83,633.36
<b>Other Income</b>	63.00	156.58	1,833.32
<b>Total Income</b>	11,789.81	72,370.82	85,466.68
<b>Total Expenses</b>	25,373.36	92,506.65	97,715.76
<b>Net Income</b>	(13,583.55)	(20,135.83)	(12,249.08)

# JUNE 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <p><b>WEAR RED</b> on PENTECOST SUNDAY</p>			1	2 8:00 p.m. NA	3 7:30 p.m. Community Group in F.Hall	4 9:00 a.m. Men's Group  7am MCSELCA Synod Assembly
5 <b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship In-Person & via Zoom 10:30 a.m. Capital Campaign Kick-Off! <i>Meeting ID: 864 1603 4369</i> <i>Passcode: 58863</i> <i>Dial in: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)</i> 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour & Fellowship	6	7	8	9 8:00 p.m. NA	10 7:30 p.m. Community Group in F.Hall	11
12 <b>THE HOLY TRINITY</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship In-Person & via Zoom 10:30 a.m. Mission Endowment Fund Fair 11:30 a.m. Youngish Women Service Project	13	14	15	16 8:00 p.m. NA	17 7:30 p.m. Community Group in F.Hall	18 9:00 a.m. Men's Group Via Zoom
19 <b>2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship In-Person & via Zoom 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour & Fellowship	20	21 7:00 p.m. Church Council	22 Deadline for June Messenger	23 8:00 p.m. NA	24 7:30 p.m. Community Group in F.Hall	25
26 <b>3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST</b> 9:30 a.m. Worship In-Person & via Zoom 10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour & Fellowship   <b>Pride Parade With CCWC!</b>	27	<b>RLC Office Hours</b> <i>Thursdays 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</i> <i>In case of Pastoral Emergency,</i> <i>please call Pastor Kelly</i> <i>(708) 714-4364</i>  <b>Additional Weekly Building Use:</b> Weekday mornings Piano practice Monday/Thursday afternoon Organ practice				