

# RESURRECTION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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**May 30, 2021**  
10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship





WORSHIP SERVICE  
May 30, 2021

GATHERING

INTRODUCTION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,  
who shines in glory,  
clothes us in compassion,  
and bears gifts of mercy for all.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Loving God,

**we confess that we have turned from your way  
to follow our own ways.**

**Forgive us for the times**

**we have spoken or acted too quickly;**

**we have not spoken or acted at all;**

**we have hurt those closest to us;**

**we have hurt those we have yet to know;**

**we have thought more about ourselves than others;**

**we have thought less of ourselves than we ought.**

**Turn us around, and give us a fresh start,  
so that we can live again as your children.**

**Amen.**

Even when we have done wrong, God makes us right.

Even when we have messed up, God puts us together.

God's love never runs out.

God never tires of calling us beloved children.

Hear God say to you now:

Your sins are forgiven,

for the sake of ✝ Jesus Christ our Savior

**Amen.**

## **WORSHIP SONG**

*Lord I Lift Your Name on High*

Lord, I lift Your name on High, Lord, I love to sing Your praises.  
I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way,  
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;  
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;  
Lord, I lift Your name on high. *(Repeat All)*

"Lord I Lift Your Name on High," words and music by Rick Founds. ©1989 by  
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## **GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the  
communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

## **KYRIE**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the  
Lord.

**Lord have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world for the wellbeing of the church  
of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and  
praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord have mercy.**

Help, save comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.

**Amen.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray.

**Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory,  
eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-  
in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all  
adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live  
in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever. Amen**

**FIRST READING****Isaiah 6:1-8**

<sup>1</sup>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the LORD sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. <sup>2</sup>Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup>And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." <sup>4</sup>The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup>And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" <sup>6</sup>Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup>The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." <sup>8</sup>Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING****Romans 8:12-17**

<sup>12</sup>So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh — <sup>13</sup>for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" <sup>16</sup>it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ — if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Word of God, word of life.

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia Lord to who shall we go, you have the words of eternal life, Alleluia.**

## **GOSPEL**

**John 3:1-17**

The holy gospel according to St. John, beginning in the 3<sup>rd</sup> chapter.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews.  
<sup>2</sup>He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." <sup>3</sup>Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." <sup>4</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" <sup>5</sup>Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. <sup>6</sup>What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup>Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' <sup>8</sup>The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." <sup>9</sup>Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" <sup>10</sup>Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? <sup>11</sup>Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. <sup>12</sup>If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? <sup>13</sup>No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. <sup>14</sup>And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, <sup>15</sup>that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. <sup>16</sup>For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. <sup>17</sup>Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

The gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## MESSAGE

### HYMN OF THE DAY

*I've Got the Joy, Joy, Joy*

1. I've got the Joy, joy, joy, joy, down in my heart,  
Down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart;  
I've got the Joy, joy, joy, joy,  
Down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.
2. I've got the peace that passes understanding,  
Down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart;  
I've got the peace that passes understanding,  
Down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.
3. I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus,  
Down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart;  
I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus,  
Down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.

*"I've got the Joy, Joy, Joy,"* words and music by George W. Cooke. Public Domain.

### HOLY BAPTISM

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Who presents *Kason James and Reid David* for the sacrament of baptism?

Sponsors: **I present Kason James and Reid David for baptism.**

Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your children baptized into Christ?

Parents: **I do.**

As you bring your children to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring them to the word of God and the holy supper, teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in their hands the holy scriptures, and nurture them in faith and prayer, so that they may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Parents, do you promise to help them grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: **I do.**

Sponsor, do you promise to nurture them in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

Sponsors: **I do.**

People of God, do you promise to support *Kason and Reid* and pray for them in their new life in Christ?

Congregation: **We do.**

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Parents/Sponsors: **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Parents/Sponsors: **I renounce them.**

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Parents/Sponsors: **I renounce them.**

Do you believe in God the Father?

All: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Kason James Schwery*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*Reid David Schwery*, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All: Blessed be God, the source of all life, the word of salvation, the spirit of mercy.**

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain *Kason James* and *Reid David* with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Kason James*, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**Amen.**

*Reid David*, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**Amen.**

Jesus said, "Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Congregation: **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

### **PASSING THE PEACE**

\*The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

We pray, O God, for your holy church around the world. Revitalize and renew us, that we may be reborn once again through the waters of baptism and the blowing wind of your Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for your power revealed to us in creation; for cedar and oak trees, for rushing waters, for the echoes of thunder. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the nations and our leaders, that led by your Spirit, they work towards a world where all of your children enjoy peace. We pray especially for nations currently experiencing war or turmoil. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for healing for all those who suffer, especially victims and survivors of trauma or violence. Give respite to those living with PTSD or any other mental health concerns. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for this worshiping community of Resurrection and Greta, that the splendor of your majesty and the holiness of your

mystery may be glorified through our worship and our relationships with one another. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks, O God, for those who have died in the faith and those who have given their lives for the defense of others. We remember also those whose lives have been lost due to the horrors of war. Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace.  
**Amen**

### **LORD'S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

## **SENDING**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **SENDING SONG**

*This Little Light of Mine*

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Everywhere I go, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

Even when I'm afraid, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Even when I'm afraid, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Even when I'm afraid, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.  
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

"This Little Light of Mine," words and music by Harry Dixon Loes and Jay Stocker. ©2009 Group Publishing, Inc. CCLI #924611.

### **FINAL BLESSING**

Neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers,  
nor things present, nor things to come,  
nor powers, nor height, nor depth,  
nor anything else in all creation,  
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.  
God, the creator, ✚ Jesus, the Christ,  
and the Holy Spirit, the comforter,  
bless you and keep you in eternal love.

**Amen.**

### **DISMISSAL**

Dear friends in Christ go and  
**Share God's word,**  
**Show God's love,**  
**Serve God,**  
**Amen.**

*\*During the passing of the peace, please offer a peace sign in place of a handshake.*

*\*Offering plates will not be passed. Please place your gift in the offering plate as you leave or use our online giving options. Thank you for being a blessing to us, so that we may bless others.*

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*We welcome you to Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran Church!  
We hope our time together will be a blessing to you!*

**Visitor & Prayers Cards**—Welcome to our worship. You are in the right place! Visitor and Prayer cards are available if you'd like to fill one out. Please ask an usher to get you one and return it back to them when you are finished. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

## CURRENT HAPPENINGS

**Celebration of Baptism** Congratulations to Casey and April Schwery on the baptism of their sons, Kason James Schwery and Reid David Schwery. Kason and Reid will be baptized today at our outdoor worship service at Peterson Park. The Sponsor for Kason and Reid is Clint Schwery. We welcome Kason James and Reid David into our church family as baptized Children of God.



**Thank You!** A BIG "Thank You" to Eric Pinkall for providing the music for our worship in the park this morning. It's great to have you back to share your musical talents.



**Worship in the Park** Thank you for worshipping with us at Peterson Park today. We invite you to stay after worship to enjoy a sack lunch that can be purchased from the Table Grace Food Truck or one that you bring with you. Let's enjoy this beautiful time of fellowship of worship together.



**Memorial Day** The office will be closed on Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, in observance of Memorial Day. Lord, may we never forget those who gave their lives for our freedom. God Bless America! Have a blessed and peaceful weekend.



**Table of Free Items** Take a look at the table of free items by the café and take home any items you'd like. All items must be gone by June 2<sup>nd</sup>, after that they will be taken to another place.



**Chancel Choir and Bell Choir** Rehearsals for Chancel Choir and Bell Choir will begin as usual in September. More details will follow later this summer, but our plan right now is to resume on our normal calendar. I can't wait to make music with you all again! If you're not a member of either group but would LIKE to be, contact me or reach out to the office and we'll get you added



to our contact list. Enjoy the summer, and I'll look forward to being with you all in rehearsal very soon! – Matt Hill, Music Director

**Archives Team-Pictures Needed**



The Archives Team is looking for pictures of past church activities. They are looking for old ones, new ones, or any that have a story to them. Please contact Jim Eichner at [Eichnerj6527@msn.com](mailto:Eichnerj6527@msn.com) if you have any to share. Thank you!

**VBS-Save the Date**



Please add our summer VBS program to your calendar on July 18-22 from 6:00-8:15 p.m. with a grab and go meal to begin at 5:30 p.m. The theme for this year is “Treasured- Discovering You’re Priceless to God”.

The cost is \$10/child with a maximum of \$20/family. You may also purchase VBS CD’s for \$10 each. Earn a free registration by volunteering. For every adult volunteer, you will receive one free registration.

**Get registered for VBS at:**

[docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdChu5M0-hyCcpYTjrj\\_4LvSOIKydp8S6oUdkuAsSbZCX\\_1w/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdChu5M0-hyCcpYTjrj_4LvSOIKydp8S6oUdkuAsSbZCX_1w/viewform)

**Get signed up to be a VBS volunteer at:**

[www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b45a5ae2ba3f49-vbs2021](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0b45a5ae2ba3f49-vbs2021)

**Adult Forum: Exile and Return - “The Wilderness Journey Home”**



Join us for our Adult Forum as we relate the struggle of God’s people in the 6<sup>th</sup> century BC, their Exile in Babylon and journey home to Jerusalem, to our struggle in the 21<sup>st</sup> century AD, as we start the journey home from our viral exile.

**This study will be on Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.** throughout the month of May. In June, we will transition **to in-person at 9:40 a.m. on Sunday mornings.**

**Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87953507438?pwd=WnU2dFVvcjNpbytoeStZRGZmSGdCZz09>

**Meeting ID:** 879 5350 7438

**Passcode:** 918225

Books are available for our study by the café and through a Thrivent Action Plan grant. All sessions will be uploaded to our YouTube channel if the time of the session doesn’t work in your schedule or a weekend is missed! Stop by to pick yours up today.

**Letter from the Benevolence & Mission Team**



Congregation, If you know of an organization that has a need (i.e. funding) within our community where our team might be of assistance, please leave a note in our box in the church office. We will prayerfully consider these requests quarterly along with the other requests we regularly receive. Thank you.

## **LWST Meal Support and Caring Casseroles** The Local & World Service



Team will now organize the church's meal coordination and delivery for church families with new babies, deaths in the family, illnesses and other situations where a meal would be welcome. If you are interested in joining the meal support sub-team, please contact Lexie Frahm at [lexie.frahm@gmail.com](mailto:lexie.frahm@gmail.com) or 402-416-9113.

The LSWT also invites members to utilize the Caring Casseroles stocked in the church's freezer. The casseroles are for members in need or for members to give to those in need outside our church family.

**Caring Casseroles Restock** The Local and World Service Team is hosting a **Caring Casseroles Restock** event, now through June 27. We seek members of the congregation to cook and assemble freezer-friendly casseroles that will be stored in the church's kitchen freezer and available for members of the congregation to give when a meal is needed. For this restock, **we request smaller-portioned pans (approx. 7"x9" pans)**. Please label pan lids with the type of casseroles and our team will attach a title and cooking instruction label. An information sheet, with recipes and instructions, is available in the church office.

Drop off at church: members of the Local & World Service team will collect casseroles, in the north church parking lot, during the following dates and times:

- Saturday, June 26: 5-5:30 p.m.
- Sunday, June 27: 8-8:30 a.m. and 9:30-10:45 a.m.

## **ONGOING HAPPENINGS**

**Join Us for Worship** Beginning in June, our worship services are

**WORSHIP WITH US**  every **Saturday at 5:30 p.m. with masks required** and every **Sunday at 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. with masks optional**. Please consider wearing your mask if you have not been vaccinated or if you are feeling ill, please consider staying home to keep others safe. Our **Adult Forum will begin at 9:40 a.m.** in the Courtyard and also on Zoom. The **nursery will be open from 5:30-6:30pm on Saturdays and 8:30-11:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings**. We look forward to seeing you as we continue with our regular worship hours.

### **May Zoom Worship**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83845917176?pwd=NzNMQU1vZlhVUUo3WDRWcHpiTDU4UT09>

**Meeting ID:** 838 4591 7176

**Passcode:** 611065

Please stay connected through the church's Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/RELCgretna> and through our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjXnhZfhxipkc5ZTA6SrHUw>. Don't miss hearing God's word as Pr. James Sells shares the Gospel with us.

### **NEW June Worship Online**

**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjXnhZfhxipkc5ZTA6SrHUw>

**Facebook:** [facebook.com/RELCgretna](https://www.facebook.com/RELCgretna)

### **SIGN-UP NOW!! Flowers and Bulletins 2021**



This year our 2021 flower and bulletin sign-up sheet is online. If you would like to call into the office, we'd be happy to get you signed up as well. We'd love to see fresh flowers on the altar for our worship services. If you are ordering from Town & Country, you will need to stop by the church to pick up the flower liners and take them to Town & Country to fill M-F, 9-5:30 (they are in the kitchen, take liners only). They will no longer be picking up the liners to fill with flowers. If they do not have the liners, they won't be able to make the flower arrangements for you.

If you'd like to sign-up go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a44acad29a5f58-altar>. The suggested donation for bulletin sponsorship is \$20. You can drop a check in the mail or at the office, Mon—Fri, 8am-3pm

**Personal Information Changes?** Do you have a name, address, phone number or email change? If so, please contact the office by phone at 402-332-3383 or email us at [theooffice@relchurch.net](mailto:theooffice@relchurch.net). If you would like us to have an emergency contact number, please include that as well.

**RELC Quilting Group** The RELC Quilting Group will meet at 1:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. Please consider dropping off any old blankets and sheets of any size, batting and 100% cotton material (scraps are fine too, if they are large enough for quilt squares). Thank you!

**Food Pantry Donations** Please drop off all food items in the pantry area in our south hallway by the yellow carts. Only food donations are being taken at this time. Please ***do not drop off clothing or household items to the church***. Please find alternate drop off locations until further notice.

- ***Gretna Neighbors*** - During this time, the Gretna Neighbors Food Pantry will be open during our regular hours, which are the **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday** of each month from **9:00-11:00 a.m.** and the **2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday** of the month from **6:00-7:00 p.m.** We are only handing out pre-bagged groceries with pre-designated amounts of non-perishable items and frozen food items.

If you or someone you know is in need in the Gretna school district, you are invited to stop by during these hours. We don't discriminate. You will only need to show proof of residency in the school district.

- **Project Hope Food** Pantry – Only food donations are being taken at this time. Donations are taken monthly to Project Hope.

**Hospital Visits** Hospitals usually don't contact us when you go into the hospital due to the privacy act. If you or a family member is going into the hospital, be sure and let the office know so that we can be there for you with prayerful support.

**TAGG** To date, our church TAGGers have raised more than \$1700 for church projects sponsored by the Local & World Service Team. Download the app to your smartphone and choose RELC as the supported organization. You can also drop your receipts at the office. When you purchase from a TAGG business, it will donate up to 5% of your total purchase to RELC.



**Followers of Christ-Prison Ministry** If you are interested in becoming involved to help those incarcerated. Please contact Scott Drews at 402-670-8259 or [sdrews@bhhc.com](mailto:sdrews@bhhc.com) or you may contact the office for more information.

**Save your Best Choice and Box Tops for Education Labels!** Deposit them in the containers located at the Outreach Corner with yellow shelving.

**Aluminum Can Collection!** Bring your empty cans to the container outside of the west door of the church-in the alley. We please ask that you **do not crush** them. The can needs to be visible for refund purposes. The proceeds will go to Least of My Brethren.

**The Following Opportunities Are Available Now**

**Volunteer Needs:**

- Lay Reader Coordinator & Lay Readers  
Contact: [theoffice@relchurch.net](mailto:theoffice@relchurch.net)
- Sunday School Teachers/Substitute Teachers  
Contact: [theoffice@relchurch.net](mailto:theoffice@relchurch.net)

\*\*If you have questions about any of these opportunities or would like more details, please contact the church office at 402-332-3383.

# PRAYERS

***Be still, and know that I am God...***

## **Our shut-in members and those in the assisted living and nursing**

**homes:** Darlene Foged, Margie Biel, Patti Huff, Marlene Kuehl, Sharon Barkley, Keith Barkley, Carol Schlueter, Marge Warren, Delores Kreifels, Jackie Mowinkel, Joan Bohling, Thelma Mowinkel, Carol Ehlers

**Healing and courage:** The Bob & Alicia Fechtmeister family, Erick Hill's cousin-Matthew Arnold, Doris Roberts, Shelley Schram's friend's stepdaughter-Dede, Nicole Slusher's mother-Charlene Hesser, Gene Mackey Family, Miles McMahill, Kim Mefford's friend's husband, Steve Norman, Gwen Reier, Jim Raess, Jeanne Ralston's friend-Amy LaFontaine, Alvin & JoAnn Glasshoff's daughter-Dawn Allbery, Marie Lemke, Kelli Barnhart, Jeanne Ralston's friends-Larry & Judy Peterson, Joyce McMahill's cousin-Mary Weber, Jean Schnack, Miles & Joyce McMahill's friend-Rosie, Linda Karas, Kris & Becky Wagner Family, Denise McKay, Sharon Barkley's grandson-Jeremy Eidson, Wendy Killingsworth, Roger Asche, Jerry Walker, Lois Nore, Denise McKay's sister-Kathy Ewert

**Birthdays:** Jeff Roberts, Addilynn Milliman, Cade Mueller, Preston Petrigash, Oliver Bitterman, Aaron Lindquist, Lexie Frahm, Shelbi gross, Aurora Gissler, Emma Waller, Ava Honeyman

**Anniversaries:** Jay & sheri Feala, Alan & Heather Parks, Scott & Paula Drews, Thomas Ostdiek & Deb Wille

**Concord Sister Congregation:** Please pray for our sister congregation, Concordia Lutheran Church in Concord, NE.

**Service Men and Women:** For all those serving our country and for the families of soldiers who were killed or injured, that they be healed in body and spirit.

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**

\*Hand sanitizers are available throughout the church for your use.

\*If you are having trouble hearing the service, please ask an usher for a Sound Mate hearing device.

\*For large print bulletins, please contact the office.

\*Wheelchairs are available for your use in the church. Contact an usher or a council person for assistance.

\*First Aid kits are located in the kitchen, church office

There is an AED (Automated External Defibrillator) located on the wall by the south bathrooms



**Pastor:** James Sells

**Church Council Members:**

Bill Schwarten, Larry Rippe, Linda Biel-Karas, Becky Wagner, Lexie Frahm, Dave Schram, Rich Killingsworth, Darren Elliott, Evan Kock

**Council Duty May 29**

5:30 p.m.-No Service

**Council Duty May 30**

10:00 a.m.-Peterson Park

**Council Duty June 5**

5:30 p.m.-Linda Karas

**Council Duty June 6**

8:30 a.m.-Bill Schwarten, Larry Rippe, Rich Killingsworth

10:45 a.m.-Darren Elliott, Rich Killingsworth

**Financial Office Manager (Mon-Tues):** Desiree Stednitz

**Administrative Office Manager (Wed-Fri):** Jeanne Ralston

**Nursery Coordinator (Sat 5:30pm, Sun 8:30-11:45am):** Dhani Milliman

**Music Director:** Dr. Matt Hill

**Sunday School Superintendent:** Lynn Donahue

**Custodial Needs:** Property Team, Jeremy Reineke

**Flowers & Bulletins:**

April, May, June-Barb Westenburg

**Lay Readers for May**

5:30 pm (Sat.)-Tiffany Honeyman

10:00 am-Kris Wagner

**Acolytes for May 29**

5:30 p.m.-No Service

**Acolytes for May 30**

10:00 a.m.-Not Needed @ Peterson Park

**Acolytes for June 5**

5:30 p.m.-Michel Sheridan, Treyden Sheridan,

**Acolytes for June 6**

8:30 a.m.-Junior Killingsworth, Open

10:45 a.m.-Brianna Falgione, Open

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**ATTENDANCE**

**Saturday Worship (5:30pm):** 24

**Sunday Worship (10:00am):** 55

