

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran Church

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### Weekly Calendar

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#### Sunday, July 7

10:00 a.m. – Worship, Seventh Sunday after Pentecost, Pastor Harold (Harry) Therwanger  
– Collection of Food Items for **AFAC**

11:00 a.m. – Adult Christian Education after Worship.

The *Animate Faith* series continues after Worship. Come meet and hear some thoughts from Lillian Daniel who helps us reclaim religion, saying that spirituality is not enough and encourages us to root ourselves in the depths of the Christian tradition - its history, texts, beliefs and practices. Pastor Harry will lead a thoughtful discussion that begins with a short video from Lillian Daniel.



The recommend Bible verses for your reading from our first session with Brian McLaren are: Philippians 1:3-11 and 2:12-13. Examples of kataphatic faith? God working concretely bringing change encouraging good deeds. More kataphatic scriptures: Matt 6:9, Is 5:1-35, Jer. 3:31-34, Rev 4:1:1-11, Luke 13:34, Ps. 23  
Some apophatic scriptures: Romans 11:33-36, I Tim 6:16, John 1:18

#### Thursday, July 11

11:00 a.m. – Adult Christian Education, Online Bible Study

#### Sunday, July 14

10:00 a.m. – Worship, Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Pastor Harold (Harry) Therwanger

11:00 a.m. – Adult Christian Education after Worship.

The *Animate Faith* series continues after Worship. In this session, Mark Scandrette guides us to think differently about living in Jesus' way. It began with a moment of truth: Mark realized that his sermons weren't doing anything important. What to do!!!? He decided to make church a place of practice rather than just belief and learning. The rest is history.



#### Thursday, July 18

11:00 a.m. – Adult Christian Education, Online Bible Study

#### Sunday, July 21

10:00 a.m. – Worship, Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, Pastor Harold (Harry) Therwanger  
– Collection of Food Items for **AFAC**

11:00 a.m. – Adult Christian Education after Worship

The *Animate Faith* series continues after Worship. Today, Shane Higgs offers us images of salvation as we think about what happens during and after this life on earth. Shane invites us to consider the fundamental questions surrounding this “strange, beautiful, mysterious thing called existence.”



### Thursday, July 25

11:00 a.m. – Adult Christian Education, Online Bible Study

### Sunday, July 28

10:00 a.m. – Worship, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, Pastor Harold (Harry) Therwanger

11:00 a.m. – Adult Christian Education after Worship

The *Animate Faith* series continues after Worship. Now, Nadia offers her take on the cross and how we might make sense of what was accomplished by the crucifixion of Jesus. Nadia asks us to think about how our interpretation of the cross lines up with our understanding of God.



## Coming Soon

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### Vacation Bible School (VBS) for All Children and All Adults

- Monday, August 19th through Friday, August 23rd
- Dinner first, then VBS
- For children AND adults!



The “River of Life” participants will learn about the importance of water and visit important “ports” during the week to hear Bible stories, all involving water. Journey down the river to learn about God’s gracious gift of water and hear about communities working to restore watersheds, protect water rights, and ensure safe water for everyone. The children and the adults will separately read and discuss the same Bible stories. Each VBS evening will include supper, a devotion time together, and fun! The kids will experience Bible crafts, games, skits and much more. The Adults will have thought-provoking discussions led by Pastor Harry.

### Additional Help Needed for VBS

If you want to be involved, we need volunteers who can make a meal for our VBS attendees. It's a great way to get to know the kids. If you can help, please contact Angie Brooke at:

[randy\\_angie@hotmail.com](mailto:randy_angie@hotmail.com)

# Notes From Pastor Harry

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## **Continuing Worship and Prayer during Summer Travels and Vacation**

As the summer season is upon us and schedules change, and many of us plan to travel, let me share, as your Christian brother and as your Pastor. On vacations and in different routines it may be easy to forget to spend time in worship and prayer. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. You can easily find your local ELCA parish at the [www.ELCA.org](http://www.ELCA.org) website, click on "find a church," and enter a zip code.

If you have an interesting worship experience and want to share, or just want to let me know what you were up to, bring a bulletin back. I am interested to see what others are doing.

And, remember the ministry we share together as Resurrection Church goes on every day of the year, so continue your support in finances and in prayer while you may be away.

I do pray that if you do have time away this summer, it is refreshing and life giving! Travel safely and, "God watch between us while we are away from each other."

Pastor Harry



## **ELCA and Synod News**



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## **Synod Assembly Summary**

June 1 was a Spirit-filled day as representatives and leaders from across the synod, synod staff, and synod council members gathered for the 2024 Synod Assembly. Below is a link to the Post-Assembly Recap - including Resolutions heard and voted upon, and Leadership Nominations. Of note, a Transgender Inclusion Policy was adopted by the Synod Council May 2024, designed to create a safe and productive environment for all synod employees and all persons who attend events hosted by the Metro D.C. Synod.

<https://metrocelca.org/2024assemblyrecap/>

## **Lutheran Summer Music 2024 Summer Season**

The 42<sup>nd</sup> season of the Lutheran Summer Music Academy (LSM) and Festival is in session until July 28 at Valparaiso University. It features more than 30 free concerts, recitals, and worship services. The majority of the events will be livestreamed. You can follow LSM on Facebook and Instagram, and subscribe on YouTube to stay connected throughout the summer. For more information, see their website: <https://www.lsmacademy.org/>.

# RELC Programming

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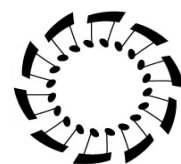
## RIC

The Reconciling in Christ (RIC) committee sponsored an informational session on June 28<sup>th</sup> after Worship. Lizzie Schoen introduced the RIC process to our RELC community. Those in attendance heard how RELC may widen our welcome and enter the RIC process to gain skills in ministering to all that might come to our doors. RIC began in the Lutheran LGBTQ+ community but shares ideas and skills to understand and minister with the love of Jesus in all marginalized communities. The PowerPoint presentation link [HERE](#).



## Music at Resurrection

One of the goals of the Music at Resurrection committee is to seek quality talent to perform at Resurrection Lutheran Church. Please reach out to Cathy Carr ([jccarr7@gmail.com](mailto:jccarr7@gmail.com)) with suggestions for choral or musical groups to give a concert at RELC.



## Chrismon Project - Next Chrismons workshop TBA.



Calling out to all crafters - if you like to knit, bead, string wire, work w/clay (a new medium) or even just want to learn in a group (or on your own) please contact Mimi Van Poole.

During coffee hour (by the fireplace) there will be individual Chrismon kits to look at. The ornaments come in various sizes with all the patterns, instructions, and supplies to make them. The current Chrismons, will be on display.

This is for everyone but ESPECIALLY to parents. Specific children's patterns for grades 1 & 2 and for grades 3 & 4 are available. Please let me know which ornaments you think your kids would like to try. Or, for Resurrection Church members who think they would like to include some of these in our collection, please let me know what patterns you are interested in. These Chrismon patterns do not come in single kits so I just need to know the patterns you want and how many to order so that I can order the supplies for them. If folks want to take home the pattern and supplies to make one ornament, you are also welcome to do so.

Please review the price list PDF for the Chrismons on the RELC website under the RELC Weekly Announcements from June 13<sup>th</sup> on. These Chrismon ornaments can be sponsored by



individual members that wish to make them themselves OR would like a member of the wonderful current crafters who have volunteered to make them for you. If you see one of interest, please contact me and I will order it for you. Through sponsorship (including ornaments that have already been completed), we are hoping to have tags on the ornaments "in honor of," or "in memory of," before they are blessed the first week of December.

## **RELC Meal Ministry**

RELC's Meal Ministry is alive and well. We are looking for volunteers who like to cook/bake when the need arises. If anyone hears of/or needs something themselves, please reach out to Pastor Harry who will let the committee chair know and we will be in touch. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Mimi Van Poole.

## **Collection of Food Items for AFAC on Sunday, July 7th**



We receive donations of food items for Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC) on Sunday, July 7th in conjunction with our worship service. The next AFAC collection is Sunday, July 21st.

## **Can't make it to church? Watch us Live! Livestreaming Worship**

For our 10:00 a.m. Sunday worship service on YouTube live, click on the live worship link on the RELC home page (<https://www.relcarlington.org>) on Sunday mornings during the worship hour to be redirected to the YouTube live stream. The Live Stream will “go live” at 9:55 a.m. on each Sunday morning. To view the service later, go to YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com>) and enter, “Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran Church” in the search bar. Click on the photograph of RELC. Click on the “videos” tab to browse the archives of past services. Click on the “Subscribe” button and create an account to be notified when Live Streams are started or when other videos are added.

## **Other Announcements?**

If committee chairs or those responsible for other ministry initiatives at Resurrection have an announcement for the Weekly Announcements, please send them via email to both Dale, church administrator ([office@relcarlington.org](mailto:office@relcarlington.org)) and Leslie, Church Council President ([leslie\\_nolen@hotmail.com](mailto:leslie_nolen@hotmail.com)) before noon on Wednesday. Please give the specific dates for the announcement to be published. If no end date is provided, the announcement will run one week in order to keep the announcements timely.