



## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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### Weekly Calendar

#### Sunday, July 28

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

11:00 a.m. – Adult Forum after Worship

The *Animate Faith* series continues after Worship. Nadia Bolz-Weber 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.



Pastor Harry will be out of the office from July 29th until August 8<sup>th</sup>. He will return to the office on August 9th. If there is an emergency for which you wish pastoral care, call Dale in the church office who will place you in contact with another of our local ELCA clergy.

#### Friday, August 2

Church office is closed.

#### Sunday, August 4

10:00 a.m. – Worship, Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, Rev. John Teitman

No Adult Forum after Worship

#### Sunday, August 11

10:00 a.m. – Worship, Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, Pastor Harry Therwanger

– **Special Congregational Meeting** after Worship. Depending on the length of the meeting, the Adult Forum may be postponed.

11:00 a.m. – Adult Forum after Worship

The *Animate Faith* series continues after Worship. In this session, Lauren Winner takes us into the Bible, God's Word. Lauren was slow to embrace the Bible but came to do so in new and different ways. As you work through this session, you may find new and different ways to see scripture too.



# Coming Soon at RELC

## Reconciling in Christ (RIC)

RELC's Reconciling in Christ (RIC) Core Team will be sponsoring some very important and informative forums in the coming months. On October 13th and 20th, Gordon Lathrop will lead discussions on "Principles of Biblical Interpretation" and "Applying Biblical Interpretation to Difficult Passages," respectively. More information on these forums and others will appear in upcoming weekly bulletins.



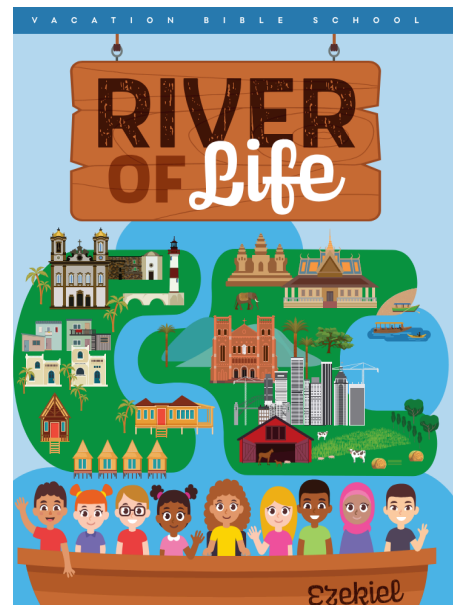
If you haven't already done so, the RIC Core Team encourages you to review Lizzie Schoen's June 28th presentation ([WORKING LINK](#)) on the RIC process and its importance in widening our welcome to others in our community.

Do you have questions about RIC? Look to the back of the Narthex for the RIC question box where you can put your questions at any time anonymously. Other informational materials are there as well. Periodically, the RIC team will provide information as it becomes available and place in the Narthex.

## 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.

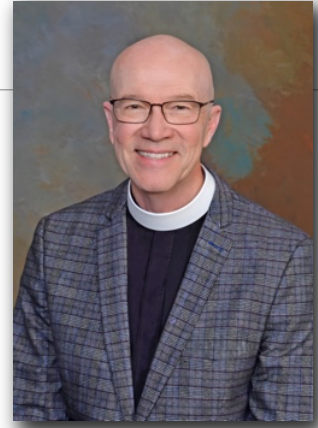


## Additional Help Needed for VBS

If you are able to help, 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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“And sweet summer’s lease is all too short”

Running along the lakefront trail in Chicago, as I did countless times over the years, a favorite place to stop for water and perhaps a rest was the Shakespeare Garden. Various brass plaques list famous lines from Shakespeare’s plays and sonnets. That famous sonnet that begins, “Shall I compare thee to a summer’s day,” a few lines down seem almost to sigh, “and sweet summer’s lease is all too short.”

As summer goes by so quickly, I pray you will have, or have had, a time of refreshment and rejuvenating. Even just a change in the routine or the weather can mark such a difference for our spirits, and that time of refreshment can seem so short and go so quickly.

However, you may be spending this summer, once again I remind you that our shared ministry continues every day. Remember to pray for our congregation, remember times of worship when you are away and continue to support the ministry with your gifts even if you cannot be physically present on a Sunday.

For those who have already done that – a big thank you! And may God bless and make the witness of Resurrection congregation dynamic and joyful in every season.

Blessings Dear Church!



ELCA and Synod News



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### Metro DC Synod Women's Organization

The Welcome Back Convention, “Resilience and Hope”, Saturday, September 21, 2024 at St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 5800 Backlick Road, Springfield, VA. Find an Information flyer [HERE](#).

Women <sup>of the</sup> ELCA 

Registration is free, but registration is necessary. The registration deadline for Voting Members is August 23. The registration deadline for attendees is September 7. Online Registration: [HERE](#) OR print [THIS FORM](#) and mail your registration.

## RELC Ongoing Programming

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### Music at Resurrection

The Music at Resurrection committee seeks quality talent to perform at Resurrection Lutheran Church. Email Cathy Carr ([jccarr7@gmail.com](mailto:jccarr7@gmail.com)) with suggestions for musical groups to give concerts at RELC.





### Chrismon Project

New Chrismon Kits are available! Pick them up after Sunday Worship or contact Mimi Van Poole. Beat the Chrismons rush, get yours today!



### Collection of Food Items for AFAC on Sunday, August 4th

We receive donations of food items for Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC) on Sunday, August 4th. Place your non-perishable food items in the Narthex. After the 4<sup>th</sup>, the next AFAC collection is Sunday, August 11th.

### RELC Meal Ministry

RELC's Meal Ministry is looking for volunteers who like to cook and bake when the need arises. If you know of someone who needs the Meal Ministry, or needs something themselves, reach out to Pastor Harry. Please feel free to contact Mimi Van Poole with questions.



### Livestreaming Worship

Find the 10:00 a.m. Sunday worship service on YouTube, a link is on the RELC home page, <https://www.relcarlington.org>. View past services on YouTube by searching for "Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran Church." See you online.

### Other Announcements?

If committee chairs or those responsible for ministry initiatives at RELC have an announcement, please email 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. Each announcement will be published one week unless specific run dates are given.



### Lost & Found

The Lost & Found item of the week is a pair of reading glasses with a soft case. These were found in the Lost & Found drawer and have been there for month, possibly years. The glasses have a black plastic frame. The soft case is black with a purple and pink paisley decorative pattern.

The owner of these specs will find them in the church office in the Lost & Found drawer. Tune in next week as we continue to discover the secrets of the Lost & Found Drawer; same bat time, same bat channel.