

Resurrection Life

May 2014



Pastor's Message

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!
He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

The Easter season continues for the next several weeks. As we continue to focus our attention on the glorious Resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ, it is important for us to reflect on how our daily lives, as the present day disciples of our Lord, reflect the Resurrection. A Jewish New Testament scholar, Pinchas Lapide makes a very insightful point in his book: **The Resurrection of Jesus: A Jewish perspective**. He writes: *"When this scared, frightened band of the apostles which was just about to throw away everything in order to flee in despair to Galilee; when these peasants, shepherds, and fishermen, who betrayed and denied their master and then failed him miserably, suddenly could be changed overnight into a confident mission society, convinced of salvation and able to work with much more success after Easter than before Easter, then no vision or hallucination is sufficient to explain such a revolutionary transformation."*

This New Testament scholar, who is not even a Christian, is making an argument that the Resurrection of Jesus is real. The Resurrection is the very foundation on which the church as the Body of Christ, and our individual faith, is built. If there was no Resurrection then there could be no faith and consequently no Church. However, it is important to note that the argument being made here that the Resurrection is real, is the radical and almost instantaneous change in the lives of the disciples. They were transformed from a frightened, defeated and hopeless group of men to a vibrant, spirit filled group of warriors for the Gospel. Witnessing for Christ was now what they lived for. That was their highest priority.

This teaches us that the Resurrection of our lord Jesus Christ, has the power to transform us, the present day disciples, into vibrant spirit filled warriors of the Gospel. Once we have embraced the reality of the Resurrection of our Lord, then our lives are transformed. We are now empowered by the Holy Spirit to live out the power of the Resurrection in our daily lives. Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed is the way of life of the people of the Resurrection. It is our top priority just as it was the top priority of the first disciples. It is the priority of our congregation, a priority that must be fully supported by every one of us whom God has made a member of His church in and through our Baptism.

So, throughout these days of the Easter Season, let us examine our individual lives. What are the priorities that drive us? Is it sharing the good News of Christ? How about the priorities of our congregation? Are we focused on seeking creative ways to share the Good News of Jesus with those who outside of God's Holy Church? Or, are we focused on other priorities?

May God help us to be honest with ourselves. Where we are weak, may God make us strong. Where we are strong, may God affirm us and bless us.

May God bless you all.

Pastor James T. Gajadhar



Transforming Congregations Network

Saturday, May 10, 2014
9:00am to 3:00pm

Ladies Guild May 2014



Elizabeth Barrett Browning wrote the famous words, "How do I love thee? Let me count the ways ..." Yet when God looked at us, how many ways could He have counted? He saw our sins ... red as crimson ... (Isaiah 1:18b). And He loved us anyway!

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16)." When He looks at us now—through the cross of Jesus—God sees us as the people He designed us to be: forgiven, loving, serving people. Though we sin daily, God's love and forgiveness are always available to us. His love never fails, and He never withholds forgiveness from the repentant sinner. In Him we have comfort and joy.

We love because he first loved us.
1 John 4:19

Our next meeting will be on **Tues. May 13th @ 7:00pm**

Happy Mother's Day!



Remember your Mite Boxes ...



In Christ,
Debbie Sichler / Marilyn Reipold
Co-Presidents Ladies Guild

PUT YOUR
LOOSE CHANGE
IN THE MITE BOX



- ★ PUT YOUR LOOSE CHANGE IN A BOWL AT THE END OF EACH DAY
- ★ SAY "THANK YOU" WITH AN APPROPRIATE AMOUNT WHENEVER CALAMITY OR MISFORTUNE HAS BEEN AVERTED
- ★ EMPTY ALL THE CHANGE YOU COLLECTED DURING THE WEEK AND BRING TO CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY AND PUT IN MITE BOX.

CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. James T. Gajadhar

Elders: Charles Cross

Church Office: (718) 463-4292

Church Secretary: Eleanor Johnson and Karen Carella

Minister of Music and Adult Choir Director: Walter Hartman

Musicians: Flautist - Heather Valente; Percussionist - Ralph Valente

Ministers: All the Members



2014 CHURCH COUNCIL: President: Gary Carella, Vice President: Charles Cross, Secretary: Anita Reinert, Financial Secretary: Gerry Reinert, Treasurer: Eleanor Johnson, Deacons: Nancy Jung, Deanna Bardolf, Walter Hartman, Ida Myers
Trustee: Charles Cross, Gary Carella, Gerry Reinert.

NEWSLETTER STAFF: Editor: Debbie Sichler, Assistants: Ada Gavora, Madeline Hurster, Gerry Reinert and Anita Reinert.



For May 2014

Christians aren't perfect - just forgiven

AND

God sends you flowers every Spring,
Thank Him



BIBLE TRIVIA



APRIL 2014 TRIVIA QUESTION

WITH ANSWER:

SOME AMAZING ANIMALS:

What two animals owned by the Philistines carried the ark of the covenant back to Israel? **ANSWER: Two Cows 1Samuel 6:10-12**

MAY 2014 TRIVIA QUESTION

SOME AMAZING ANIMALS:

What foreign prophet had a talking donkey to ride on?
HINT: Look in the Book of Numbers

PRAY FOR OUR WORSHIP!
PRAY FOR OUR MISSION!
PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER!
PRAY!



- for all of us at Resurrection that we may all have a heart for those who don't know Jesus, to help everyone come to know the love of God, and become part of God's church family, into an even closer relationship with God, and come to eternal life.

-Our Members who are HOME-BOUND: Rosemarie Armstrong, Eleanor & Joe Dunlop, OTHER CONCERNS: Kathy, Tim, Lynn, Andrew Sardina, Marie Cappello, Marilyn Lang, Harriet Rose, Roger and Diane Connolly, Connie, Karen Carella, Diana Green, Danielle Valente, Juliet Valente, Jenny Gajadhar Sofia Macrigiane, (Grandson) Douglas, Donna Teekasingh, Nancy Jung, Charles Cross, John Ulicny, (son) Steven Gonzalez, (Grandson) Douglas Gonzalez, Ronnie Sowa, Jack Rife and Arline Novitske.

Dear Heavenly Father, How amazing you are! Thank you for sending your Son to save us from death and give us life abundantly! We ask you to forgive us our sins. We thank you that Christ bore these on the cross on our behalf so that we could live in glory with you eternally. We rejoice in your power, O God. We ask that you would permeate even the hardest of hearts as only you can during this Easter season. We know that you can work thru the most severe situations, even when it seems grim to everyone around. We ask you to do so now. Please mightily work in these friends and family members whose salvation is such a burden on our hearts. And, refine us to be vessels of your love and forgiveness. We ask all of this in the precious name of Jesus, Amen.

- **Shared Faith Ministries** - Dear Heavenly Father, Direct and guide us as the two churches work together in your name spreading the good news of your beloved son Jesus Christ, Amen.

-our **Mid-Week BIBLE Study** - Dear Heavenly Father, God, you have made the heavens and the earth. You have revealed your beauty in creation and inspired the book that we are now about to study. Please help us now as we read together. Take us deeper into understanding more about you and your love for us. Amen

-our **ESL Classes**, We pray Heavenly Father to send those in need of learning the English language to our doors and we thank all of our volunteers who help in this unique ministry.

- **Our missionary groups** right here in Flushing, the Chinese Ministry, the Korean Ministry and the Indo Pak Ministry that God will continue to bless all of these ministries and help them to grow.

- for all of our **troops** "Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. Amen."

"Pray without ceasing ... Do not put out the Spirit's fire"

1 Thessalonians 5: 17, 19



We would like to take this opportunity to thank ALL of our Volunteers. Many of our volunteers wear many different hats and help out in various ways. Some of which we are aware of and others which are behind the scenes which we don't see as readily. You know who you are and humbly THANK YOU. We are all working together serving our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Just to mention a few of our groups of volunteers are: Council Members, Altar Guild, Ladies Guild, Lecture Reader, Greeters, Newsletter Committee, Ushers, Offering Counters, Fellowship, help with putting out the garbage, shovelling snow, Stewardship Committee, Choir, etc. As you can see there are many different ways to volunteer your time and talents. We are always looking for more hands to help. Won't you please join us. If you are interested in participating in any of these groups, let the Church office staff know and we will get in touch with you.



Encourage
one another
and build up
each other....

1 Thessalonians 5:11, NRSV



**Atlantic District LWML /
Lutheran Women in Mission**

**21st Biennial Convention
Hosted by the Queens Zone**

**April 26-27, 2014
Courtyard by Marriott
New York LaGuardia Airport
East Elmhurst, NY**

After a year plus of planning the Atlantic District LWML 21st Biennial Convention officially began at 10:45am on Saturday, April 26th with over 161 in attendance. An additional 23 individuals joined us for the Saturday evening banquet with Keynote speaker Rev. Dr. David H. Benke, President of the Atlantic District Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. This was a wonderful experience of fellowship with other LWML women. Zone Presidents were represented from Albany, Bronx/Westchester, Mid Hudson, Nassau, Queens, Suffolk and Triune. It was breath taking to hear that not only did we meet our \$45,600 Mite Goal for the 2012-2014 Biennium but there was an overage of \$6,317.21. Praise the Lord! So you see every penny, nickel, dime, quarter (and dollars too) help. So please remember to save your change and place it in the large MITE BOX in the back of our church.

Representatives from Resurrection were: Marilyn Leipold, Debbie Sichler, Deanna Bardolf, Dee Bardolf, Ida Myers and Cynthia Myers. Joyce Albert joined us from St. John's.



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Color Guard



Joyce Albert, Cynthia and Ida Myers



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Marilyn Leipold and Debbie Sichler

Rev. Dr. David Benke, Keynote Speaker



Serving Schedule: MAY 2014

May 4, 2014

Reader: Gary Carella

Usher: Stephen Gavora

Greeter: Jenny Gajadhar

Altar Care: Marilyn Leipold
Debbie Sichler

May 11, 2014

Reader: Madeline Hurster

Usher: Douglas Gonzalez

Greeter: Ada Gavora

Altar Care: Debbie Sichler
Marilyn Leipold

May 18, 2014

Reader: Anita Reinert

Usher: TBD

Greeter: Ida Myers

Altar Care: Karen Carella
Ida Myers

May 25, 2014

Reader: Walter Hartman

Usher: Deanna Bardolf
Dee Bardolf

Greeter: Deanna Bardolf

Altar Care: Ida Myers
Karen Carella

memorial
★ DAY




HONORING Our
ARMED FORCES

DATES AT A GLANCE

National Day of Prayer — May 1, 2014

May Friendship Day — May 2, 2014

National Family Week — May 4-10, 2014

Mother's Day — May 11, 2014

Memorial Day — May 26, 2014

Ascension of the Lord — May 29, 2014

SUNDAY'S* - Pastor Sam uses church 3:30pm - 4:30pm*
TUESDAY'S - ESL @ 7:30pm
WEDNESDAY'S - Mid Week BIBLE STUDY - 10am



DEADLINE:
Newsletter Articles
May 23, 2014

If you have a computer and would like to e-mail your articles you may do so to: debsichler@yahoo.com

If you don't have a computer, please write or submit your article to Madeline Hurster and place it in her mailbox at church.



On Easter morning Heather Valente surprised the congregation by having five children from Sunday School sing a song for us. What a great job they all did. At the time of printing of this newsletter the names of all the children were not available. They will be listed in the June newsletter.



CHANGE of ADDRESS FOR ROSEMARIE ARMSTRONG

Rosemarie has moved permanently to the Beneson's Rehabilitation Center Nursing Home. She was able to keep her same telephone number as she previously had at her home. Anyone wanting to write or send cards may do so to the address listed below:

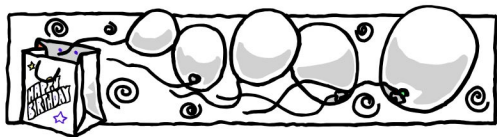
**Benenson's Rehabilitation Center Nursing Home
36-17 Parsons Blvd. - Room 505
Flushing, NY 11354**

Rosemarie still has the same telephone number:
718 539-5814

All who attended the convention were asked to bring non-perishable items to support the two food pantry's in our area: Emanuel Lutheran Church, Corona and Grace Lutheran Church, Queens Village. Below are just a few Pictures of all the food that was collected during the convention. Joyce Albert and Elcyne Howard from St. John's came with a van to collect all the food that was collected. We were able to fill the entire van with food. A special thank you to Frank Consiglio who was the muscle behind loading the van with all the bags and boxes of food.

Ingathering Food Collection for EMANUEL CHURCH, CORONA





MAY BIRTHDAYS

God's Blessings on your birthday...



May 9 Gerry Reinert

May 13 Kevin Sichler

May 27 Sonja Munzenmaier



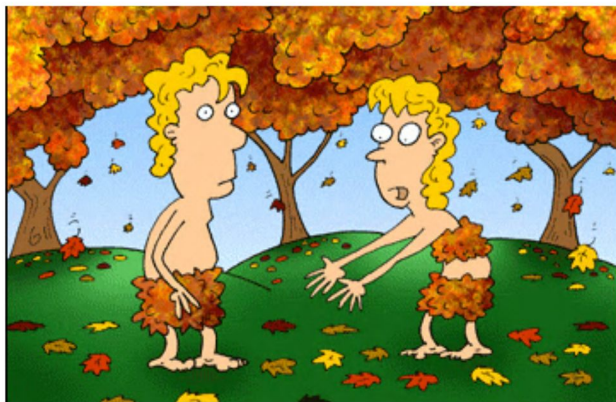
Jonathan James Bardolf

My grandson, Jonathan took the Board of Education test for Gifted and Talented Children. He scored 99%. We are so proud and love him so much.

Grandma Deanna and Aunt Dee Dee

"Therefore, whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And who ever welcomes a little child like this in my name welcomes me."

Matthew..18:4-5



WILL YOU PLEASE PICK UP ALL YOUR CLOTHES?

10-06-2006



It is with heartfelt sympathy that we announce our beloved sister in Christ, **ANNE-MARIE HARTMAN** has been called home by her Heavenly Father on Tuesday, April 15, 2014.

The funeral service was held at Resurrection Lutheran Church on Saturday, April 19, 2014 officiated by Rev. James T. Gajadhar and her son Walter was the organist. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends during this difficult time.

We acknowledge with gratitude the following gifts that were made to the Resurrection Memorial Fund or other funds this past month to the Glory of God and in memory of:

ATTILA C. WERNER

from the following individuals

Gary & Karen Carella
Stephen & Ada Gavora

ANNE-MARIE HARTMAN

from the following individuals

Ilse Albers
Gary & Karen Carella
Lee & Marie Cookson
The Gavora Family
William & Roberta Hafker
Elizabeth M.Hoey
Eleanor Johnson
Marilyn Lang
Marilyn Leipold
Tom & Dottie McNeely
Ruth Ann Modr & John Concannon
Gerry & Anita Reinert
Delio & Liane Runco
Christel Schnackenberg
Debbie Sichler
Walter & Wilma Wichern



† Those we love don't go away; They walk beside us every day. †
Unseen, unheard, but always near; Still loved, still missed and very dear.

Bible Wordsearch

Wordsearch 219

Rev.18:1-10

Babylon has fallen

T G N I M O C H Y R O L G P E
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 B O A S T S N W I X H A A U V
 Y I R E E N O E U M G A S D S
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ANGEL BABYLON
 BOASTS BURNING
 CRIMES COMING
 DOOM DEMONS
 DOUBLE FAMINE
 DRUNK HEAVEN
 EVIL JUDGES
 FALLEN NATIONS
 GLORY PLAGUES
 HAUNT PORTION
 HEART POWER
 KINGS QUEEN
 LORD SHARED
 LUXURY SHOUTED
 MIGHTY SMOKE
 MOURN SPLENDOR
 SPIRIT TORMENT
 WIDOW TORTURE
 WINE UNCLEAN

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

God's Wings

After a forest fire in Yellowstone National Park , forest rangers began their trek up a mountain to assess the inferno's damage. One ranger found a bird literally petrified in ashes, perched statuesquely on the ground at the base of a tree.

Somewhat sickened by the eerie sight, he knocked over the bird with a stick. When he gently struck it, three tiny chicks scurried from under their dead mother's wings. The loving mother, keenly aware of impending disaster, had carried her offspring to the base of the tree and had gathered them under her wings, instinctively knowing that the toxic smoke would rise. She could have flown to safety but had refused to abandon her babies.

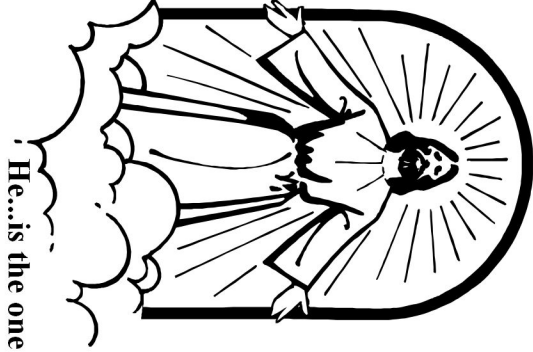
Then the blaze had arrived and the heat had scorched her small body, the mother had remained steadfast...because she had been willing to die, so those under the cover of her wings would live.

'He will cover you with His feathers, And under His wings you will find refuge.' ~ Psalm 91:4 Time waits for no one. Treasure every moment you have. You will treasure it even more when you can share it with someone Special.



Ephesians 4:10
universe.

Who ascended...
In order to
fill the whole



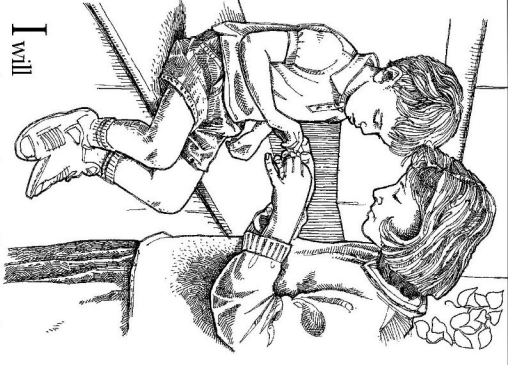
As disciples of Jesus and in obedience to God's word,
the mission of Resurrection Lutheran Church is:

Growing in the knowledge and love of Christ,
ministering to one another and to those in the
community, sharing the Gospel with unbelievers
so that the Holy Spirit draws them into a faith
relationship with Jesus.

Our Mission Statement

Jeremiah 32:39

I will
give them singleness of heart and
action...for the good of their children
after them.



Resurrection Lutheran Church

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Sunday Worship 9:15am

* (Pre-Worship Singing begins at 9:05am)
Immanuel Chinese Lutheran Service 11:15am



May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ be upon

YOU