Cherish Resurrection Life God's NOVEMBER 2016





Thanksgiving is a great American tradition

Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

This is the time of year when we join fellow citizens of our great nation in gathering together with loved ones to give thanks to almighty God for His goodness to us. Yes, Thanksgiving in November is a great American tradition. "It has long been the custom of our people to turn in the fruitful autumn of the year in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for His many blessings and mercies to us." These words written by President Woodrow Wilson for Thanksgiving one hundred years ago are just as timely now as they were then. It is a time to look forward to. Many travel great distances to join with other loved ones for this wonderful occasion.

As we meet together however, it is very easy for us to get overly caught in selecting roasting the best turkey and making sure that we have all the traditional sides that go along with our Thanksgiving tradition. In addition we can get very caught up with the anticipation of all the loved ones we haven't seen in a while who we are expecting to arrive to share in this meal and the wonderful conversation around the meal table. While all that is great, it is however very important for us, especially as people of faith, to remember the God who gives and to whom our thanksgiving ought to be directed. Yes, this is a time for us to remember in thanksgiving our God, who is the giver of all things including His one and only Son, Jesus Christ. The hymn writer captures it this way, "All good things around us are sent from heaven above, then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love." It is very easy to have a 'great' thanksgiving in which we end up thanking each other and God is merely a passing reference.

For us Lutheran Christians, Martin Luther captures the biblical expression of thanksgiving very powerfully in the small catechism as he explains the first article of the Creed. Here is what Luther says:

I believe that God has created me and all that exists. God has given me and still preserves my body and soul with all their powers. God provides me with food and clothing, home and family, daily work, and all I need from day to day.

God also protects me in time of danger and guards me from every evil. All this God does out of fatherly and divine goodness and mercy, though I do not deserve it.

Therefore I surely ought to thank and praise, serve and obey God. This is most certainly true.

As we prepare for Thanksgiving 2016, let us pull out Luther's small catechism and refresh our memories of those wonderful confirmation days when we learned how good and gracious our God is and how much He deserves our thanks and praise.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving.

God Bless you all. Pastor James T. Gajadhar







Wed. November 23

Thanksgiving Eve @ RESURRECTION at 7:30pm

Ladies Guild November

God & I — just the two of us!

But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. Matthew 6:6

Where do you pray? When do you pray? Do you have a specific scheduled prayer time with God? Jesus gave the best examples for teaching us how and where to pray. He went to the mountain and prayed all night before He choose "the 12 disciples." (Luke 6:12) At the Mount of Olives He separated Himself from the others, knelt down and prayed. (Luke 22:41) He woke up early and went alone into the wilderness to pray. (Mark 1:35)

When Jesus lived on earth, He set prayer as a priority in His life. We can learn from His example. Some people set their alarm clock 10 minutes earlier than necessary and use those extra minutes as a personal prayer time with God; others set a specific time and enjoy the comfort of a favorite chair with their Bible and devotional books. Ask your family to honor your prayer time and request no interruptions. What a wonderful example for your children, to see their parents spending time in prayer to the Lord.

Walking with my Lord

Dear Lord, help me to put You first in my daily schedule and make my prayer time a priority. I know when my prayer life priorities are straight, the rest of my life falls into balance. In Jesus' name. Amen.

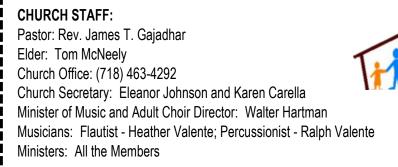
SUNDAY 2016 RECAP:

Thank you to all who joined us (Resurrection's LWML Ladies) on Oct. 2nd. And if you remember we took up a special collection for 'MITES', I am overjoyed to announce that we collected \$100.80. Please use the MITE boxes that were handed out to collect all your loose change and when it's filled bring it in and place in the offering plate. Remember to put your name on the box, because it will be returned back to you for future use.

Our next meeting will be on **Tues. Nov. 8th @ 7:00pm**



Remember your Mite Boxes ... In Christ, Debbie Sickler President Ladies Guild



2016 CHURCH COUNCIL: <u>President</u>: Gary Carella, <u>Vice President</u>: Vacant <u>Elder</u>: Tom McNeely; <u>Secretary</u>: Dottie McNeely; <u>Financial Secretary</u>: Vacant, <u>Treasurer</u>: Eleanor Johnson; <u>Deacons</u>: Walter Hartman, Henry Troue, and Karen Carella <u>Trustee</u>: Gary Carella

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FOR NOVEMBER 2016

The more you bless others, the more God blesses you.

AND

When things go WRONG, go RIGHT to God.

BIBLE TRIVIA

OCTOBER 2016 Trivia Question with Answer

WHOM DID GOD ASK?

Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? (Hint a prophet)

ANSWSER: ISAIAH 6:8

LOOKING AHEAD TO NOVEMBER...

WHOM DID GOD ASK?

Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should die?

HINT: A PROPHET

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:* Eleanor & Joe Dunlop; in *NURSING HOMES:* Harriet Rose and those with OTHER CONCERNS: Marie Cappello, Kathy, Tim, Lynn, Connie, Karen Carella, Diana Green, Ronnie Sowa, Grace Serro, Antony Gajadhar, Pastor Sam, Marilyn Lang, Danielle Valente, Juliette Valente, Heather Valente, Ralph Valente, Yvonne Schadei, Arlene Novitske, Anthony Novitske, Nancy Michaelis, Anna Lee Rife and Arthur Klein.

Dear Heavenly Father, You know about all the "impossibles" in our lives. Help us to turn them over to You, knowing with faith-filled certainty that You can and will turn them into "possibles." When we weaken, help us cling tightly to Your promises. In Jesus' name. 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 studying. Pease 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 Lutheran Ministry, the Korean Ministry, the Indo Pak Ministry, and Glory Lutheran 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" 1Thessalonians 5: 17, 19

Sewardship is a Way of life

Stewardship is a Way of Life! - It's about offering up our grateful hearts to God. May we see that Stewardship is a "Way of Life" and that you will think about how to use your gifts of <u>TIME, TALENT</u> and <u>TREASURE</u>- to the glory of God.

"How shall I be a good steward for the Lord, for all the good things God has done for me?"

Loyalty Sunday November 6th

Because we realize that some of our church family will not be able to join us on Loyalty Sunday, please use one of the following ways to make your pledge.

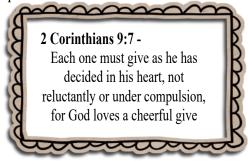
There are 3 options:

Put your pledge card in an envelope and mail it to Resurrection Lutheran Church, 44-10 192nd Street, Flushing, NY 11358

Send an email to Eleanor Johnson: <u>resurrection.lutheran@verizon.net</u> who will record your pledge and send you a confirmation email in return.

Complete the yellow Stewardship form found in your STEWARDSHIP Packet and return it in person on <u>LOYALTY SUNDAY</u>, <u>November 6</u>.

All pledges are confidential. In addition, all pledges received before Loyalty Sunday will be placed before the altar with those presented on the day itself. Hopefully, these alternative methods of making your pledge are convenient for you. They assist us in that the more pledges we receive by Loyalty Sunday, the less follow-up is required.



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Touch the heart of a needy child this Christmas with a Gift-filled Shoe Box and the Good News of Jesus Christ!





SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2016

SHOE BOXES: Standard size adult cardboard shoe boxes work great. Wrap the lid and box separately with colorful Christmas wrap or plain paper and decorate with crayons, markers, stickers, etc. (Boot boxes, while they hold more, are awkward to pack in the shipping cartons). If you prefer to use clear plastic shoe boxes, please, do not use any larger than 6-qt. size.

\$7.00 Donation for each box



Labels and instructions for wrapping will be found in your mail box. <u>A donation</u> <u>of \$7.00 is requested for each box</u> to cover shipping and project costs. Remember to pray for this project and the children who receive these gifts.

For more information regarding Resurrection's "Operation Chirstmas Child" please call Liane Runco (718) 357-4681

DISCOVER THANKSGIVING

One man was trying to persuade another to attend church. "Don't you think you owe the Lord something? he asked him. "Yes, I suppose so," the other man answered, "but He isn't pressing me as hard as my other creditors!"

True enough – and He never will. God doesn't run a collection agency. He'll never send you a bill, or send out somebody to collect what you owe Him. He doesn't keep reminding us how deeply we are in His debt.

No, this is something He'd like us to find out for ourselves. It is one thing to be told that we have a lot to be thankful for and this time of year, we hear a lot of talk like this. But it is quite another thing to make the discovery on our own. We can be told, again and again and still not be convinced. But what we discover, what we experience for ourselves, we can be sure of. Each of us needs to make the discovery that he or she is a deeply indebted person, with so much to be thankful for.

Sometimes that discovery comes when we have to forego for a time the blessings we never think about. We fall ill, or lose our job, or have trouble walking or seeing, and realize that we'll never again take our gifts and blessings for granted. Sometimes it hits home when we're confronted with others who don't know the health, material means, and the freedoms or spiritual blessings we enjoy. Suddenly it dawns on us that we should stop our complaining and find something for which to give thanks, since, compared to most of the world, we have so many to choose from to be thankful for.



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Shared Faith Ministries Resurrection Lutheran Church & St. John's Lutheran Church

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL SERVICES



Wed. November 26

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Thanksgiving Eve @ St. John's @ 7:30pm



Wed. November 30

Mid-Weed Advent @ Resurrection @ 7:30pm (lite supper at 6:30pm)

Wed. December 7

Mid-Weed Advent @ St. John's @ 7:30pm (lite supper at 6:30pm)

Wed. December 14

Mid-Weed Advent @ Resurrection @ 7:30pm (lite supper at 6:30pm)

Wed. December 21

Mid-Weed Advent @ St. John's @ 7:30pm (lite supper at 6:30pm)

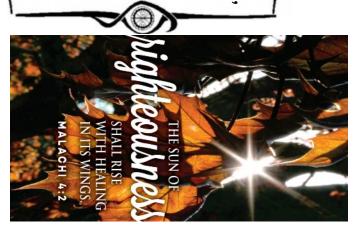
CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Saturday. December 24

Christmas Eve @ Resurrection beginning at 6:30pm **Christmas Eve** @ St. John's beginning at 8:00pm

Sunday, December 25 CHRISTMAS DAY

(a) Resurrection beginning at 9:15am*(a)* St. Johns beginning at 10:45am



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

Our Mission Statement



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