

It is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ ...

Hebrews 10:10

Resurrection Life DECEMBER 2018



FROM THE PASTOR

FOR TO US A CHILD IS BORN



For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Isaiah, the Prophet of God, foretold the birth of our Lord Jesus many, many years before His birth. In this prophesy God was assuring His people that He has not and will not forget them. Also God was preparing His people to be ready to receive this wonderful gift of baby Jesus when he comes.

In our Church life we relive this twofold aspect of Christmas in our liturgical life. We spend four weeks of Advent reminding ourselves that God has not forgotten us. We embrace the Divine Truth that we are about to receive again and celebrate the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life, the One whose name is named 'Immanuel' - God with us. So we use this time of Advent to prepare our hearts and minds to receive our 'Wonderful Counselor', our 'Mighty God' in and through the 'Child', the 'Son' that is given to us.

After the four weeks of Advent comes the Joyful, festive time of Christmas. Beginning December 25 and for the next twelve days, the people of God receive with joy and thanksgiving the gracious gift of God - His Son, our Lord Jesus. In our celebration we affirm that this gift is not only for the entire world, but for each of us personally as well. So, our joyful, festive celebration finds meaning and fulfillment when we receive the gift of Jesus anew. We do not just celebrate his birth in Bethlehem two centuries ago, but we celebrate Him being born anew in our lives and among us. The joyful, festive celebration of Christmas therefore,

is a celebration of the divine Truth that God is always with us. During His earthly life, our Lord Jesus himself affirms this truth when he said, "surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:20). A celebration of Christmas therefore must affirm the abiding presence of God in Christ with us.

So, as we celebrate Christmas again this year, let us affirm and reaffirm that the Christ Child is our Savior and Lord. He is with us at all times and in every situation. He will never abandon us nor forsake us. That's reason to celebrate. Therefore, let us celebrate Christmas 2018 with joy and thanksgiving.

Jennifer, our children and grandchildren join me in wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with the abundance of God's grace.

Pastor James T. Gajadhar



Ladies Guild DECEMBER

Begin with God ... He Gives His Word

Why did God give us His Word?

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. Psalm 119:105

Of the Word

When driving to a new place we can easily become lost and confused because we are in unfamiliar territory. God knew we would need a road map for our life and He gave it to us in His inspired Word, the Bible.

But these [words] are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name (John 20:31).

The Bible is truly the greatest “self-help” book ever written. God’s Word tells us the Good News of Jesus and it teaches us how to love and forgive. It gives directions for living confidently, for relating to those around us, and for solving life’s problems. Best of all, God’s Word is constant and true.

The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God stands forever. (Isaiah 40:8).

Walking with my Lord

Lord, I am grateful for the Bible. Through it You assure me of Your faithfulness, guidance, and forgiveness. Help me to study Your Word daily for direction in my life. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

REMINDER: We will be having our Christmas party on 12/18/18. Bring a gift to exchange, a dessert and small prizes for our B-I-N-G-O Game.

Our next meeting will be on **Tues. DEC. 18, 2018 @ 7:00pm**



Always Remember your Mite Boxes . . .

In Christ,

Debbie Sichler

President Ladies Guild



CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor: Rev. James T. Gajadhar

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Church Office: (718) 463-4292

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Musicians: Flautist - Heather Valente; Percussionist - Ralph Valente

Ministers: All the Members



2018 CHURCH COUNCIL: President: Gary Carella, Vice President: Vacant

Elder: Tom McNeely; Secretary: Dottie McNeely;

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DECEMBER 2018

Remember: Christmas is all about His presence,
not your presents.

and

The manger, the first King size bed!



BIBLE TRIVIA

NOVEMBER'S TRIVIA QUESTION with Answer

LAUGHERS and DANCERS ...

According to Job, whose children dance about and made music?

ANSWER: JOB 21:7-12

DECEMBER'S TRIVIA QUESTION

LAUGHERS and DANCERS ...

What Old Testament character's name means laughter?

HINT LOOK IN THE BOOK OF GENESIS



- 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: Sonja Munzenmaier; **in NURSING HOMES:** Dorothea Gruenwald and Harriet Rose; those with **OTHER CONCERNS:** Lynn, Connie, Marie Cappello, Nicole, Kathy, Pastor Sam, Grace Serro, Tom McNeely, Antony Gajadhar, Jennifer Gajadhar, Karen Carella, Diana Green, Ronnie Sowa, Marilyn Lang, Heather Valente, Ralph Valente, Danielle Valente, Juliette Valente, Eileen Alvarez, John Ulicny, Nancy Michaelis, Trina Seibel, Peter Seibel IV, Anthony Novitske, Anna Lee Rife, Derek Zacchino, Ricky Stanton, Mike Scarano, Joanne Voltmer and Howie Voltmer.

Heavenly Father - Lord this world is filled with power-hungry, prideful people who seek to rule the earth without any thought of You or care for Your creation. Keep us faithful to Your kingdom so that we do not run after the false gods of power and prestige, for You say, "Blessed are the meek." In Jesus' name. Amen.

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

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





DECEMBER Birthdays



God's Blessings on your birthday...



- Dec 5 Gary Carella
- Dec 5 Valerie Gavora
- Dec 6 Lorene Heppner
- Dec 9 Liane Runco
- Dec 10 Christel Schnackenberg
- Dec 23 Cynthia Myers
- Dec 23 George Bardolf
- Dec 25 JESUS CHRIST
- Dec 31 Dianne Gajadhar



DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- Gary & Karen Carella - December 9th
- Delio & Liane Runco - December 28th



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD UPDATE:

... 19 shoeboxes were dropped off and are on their way to being delivered around the world. Besides the joy of toys and other items, these children will hear the good news of Jesus Christ.

Thanks to Liane Runco and her husband Delio for dropping off these Christmas filled shoeboxes in College Point. Thank you to all who participated in this years Operation Christmas Child.

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

SCHEDULE OF SPECIAL SERVICES



Mid-Week ADVENT Services

- Wed. December 5th
Mid-Week Advent @ Resurrection @ 7:30pm (lite supper at 6:30pm)
- Wed. December 12th
Mid-Week Advent @ St. John's @ 7:30pm (lite supper at 6:30pm)
- Wed. December 19th
Mid-Week Advent @ Resurrection @ 7:30pm (lite supper at 6:30pm)

CHRISTMAS SERVICES



- Monday, December 24
Christmas Eve @ Resurrection at 6:30pm
Christmas Eve @ St. John's at 8:00pm
- Tuesday, December 25 **CHRISTMAS DAY** St. John's at 10:00am

NO NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE THIS YEAR!



Epiphany

- Epiphany Sunday - January 6, 2019 - Normal Sunday Services
Resurrection at 9:15am
St. John's at 10:45am

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
First Sunday in Advent 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak 4:00pm Glory Lutheran VOTER'S MEETING			 ADVENT Shared Faith Ministries 7:30pm Service begins @ Resurrection 8:30pm Choir Practice			FOOD PANTRY at CORONA 9:00am 9:30am Decorating Church for Christmas
Second Sunday in Advent 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak 4:00pm Glory Lutheran NEWSLETTER MEETING			 ADVENT Shared Faith Ministries 7:30pm Service begins @ St. John's 7:30pm Choir Practice			Pastor James and Jenny will be leaving to go to Florida for the funeral of his Nephew. He will be leaving 12/13 and returning on 12/17.
Third Sunday in Advent 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak 4:00pm Glory Lutheran Deadline for ordering Poinsettias		 Ladies Guild 7:00pm	 ADVENT Shared Faith Ministries 7:30pm Service begins @ Resurrection 8:30pm Choir Practice		Newsletter DEADLINE	 10:00am ALTAR GUILD MEMBERS Set-up of Poinsettias and Candles for Christmas
Fourth Sunday in Advent 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak 4:00pm Glory Lutheran	Christmas Eve 6:30pm @ Resurrection 8:00pm @ St. John's	Christmas Day 10:00am @ St. John's	NO Bible Study NO Choir Practice			
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Serving Schedule:

DECEMBER 2018



<p><u>December 2, 2018</u></p> <p>Elder: Tom McNeely</p> <p>Reader: Eleanor Johnson</p> <p>Usher: Stephen Gavora</p> <p>Greeter: Ada Gavora</p> <p>Altar Care: Eleanor Johnson Dottie McNeely</p>	<p><u>December 5, 2018</u></p> <p> Mid-Week ADVENT Service</p> <p>Elder: Tom McNeely</p> <p>Usher: Stephen Gavora</p> <p>Altar Care: Eleanor Johnson Dottie McNeely</p>	<p><u>December 9, 2018</u></p> <p>Elder: Tom McNeely</p> <p>Reader: Gary Carella</p> <p>Usher: Stephen Gavora</p> <p>Greeter: Dottie McNeely</p> <p>Altar Care: Dottie McNeely Eleanor Johnson</p>	<p><u>December 16, 2018</u></p> <p>Elder: Tom McNeely</p> <p>Reader: Walter Hartman</p> <p>Usher: Stephen Gavora</p> <p>Greeter: Sharon Rouzier</p> <p>Altar Care: Debbie Sichler Ada Gavora</p>	<p><u>December 19, 2018</u></p> <p> Mid-Week ADVENT Service</p> <p>Elder: Tom McNeely</p> <p>Usher: Stephen Gavora</p> <p>Altar Care: Ada Gavora Debbie Sichler</p>
<p><u>December 23, 2018</u></p> <p>Elder: Tom McNeely</p> <p>Reader: Jenny Gajadhar</p> <p>Usher: Stephen Gavora</p> <p>Greeter: Eleanor Johnson</p> <p>Altar Care: Debbie Sichler Ada Gavora</p>	<p><u>December 24, 2018</u></p> <p>CHRISTMAS EVE</p> <p>Elder: Tom McNeely</p> <p>Usher: Stephen Gavora</p> <p>Altar Care: Ida Myers Cynthia Myers</p> 	<p><u>December 25, 2018</u></p> <p>CHRISTMAS DAY</p> <p>Service at St. John's 10:00am</p> 	<p><u>December 30, 2018</u></p> <p>Elder: Tom McNeely</p> <p>Reader: Debbie Sichler</p> <p>Usher: Stephen Gavora</p> <p>Greeter: Ada Gavora</p> <p>Altar Care: Christel Schnackenberg</p>	<p><u>December 31, 2018</u></p> <p>NO NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE</p> <div data-bbox="1585 901 1995 1120" style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>DEADLINE: Newsletter Articles DECEMBER 21, 2018</p> </div>

FOOD PANTRY Needs Your Help!

Your HELP is NEEDED NOW for the food pantry at Emanuel Lutheran Church in Corona which serves the hungry in this community. Non-perishable foods can be brought to the FOOD BASKET located in the Narthex of the church for future distributions at Emanuel, the second Saturday of the month. For further information call (718) 359-3289.



Won't you please help to fill the basket with non-perishable foods!

- SUNDAY'S - Immanuel Lutheran Church - Bible Study - 9:30am
Pastor Sam uses Church 2:00pm - 3:30pm
Glory Lutheran Church 4:00pm - 5:30pm
- WEDNESDAY'S - Resurrection Lutheran Church - Bible Study - 10:00am
Choir Practice - @ 7:30pm
Immanuel Chinese Bible Study 7:30pm -8:30pm
- THURSDAY'S - Alcoholics Anonymous - 6:00pm - 8:00pm
Glory Lutheran Bible Study 6:00pm - 7:30pm
- FRIDAY'S - Immanuel Chinese Bible Study 7:45pm - 9:00pm
- SATURDAY'S - Alcoholics Anonymous - 11:15am - 2:00pm



2018 Thanksgiving Community Service



This year's Thanksgiving Community Service was hosted by Resurrection Lutheran Church. As you can see from the picture on the left we had a full house of our community neighbors attending from; Church on the Hill, Saint Andrew Avellino Roman Catholic Church, Temple Beth Sholom, and Saint Kevin Roman Catholic Church.

This year we had a special treat of the Queens Community Children's Choir singing two songs. Not to be out done, the Resurrection Choir also sang a song.

Rev. James T. Gajadhar delivered the homily and it was outstanding.

As you can see from the pictures below, the fellowship which followed after the service was plentiful.

Looking forward to seeing everyone again next year.



THE KNEELING PRAYER



The sleigh was all packed,
The reindeer were fed,
But Santa still knelt
By the side of the bed.



"Dear Father," he prayed,
"Be with me tonight,
There's much work to do,
And my schedule is tight."

"I must jump in my sleigh
And streak through the sky,
Knowing full well
That a reindeer can't fly."



"I will visit each household,
Before the first light,
I'll cover the world,
And all in one night."

"With sleigh bells a-ringing,
I'll land on each roof,
Amid the soft clatter
Of each little hoof."



"To get in the house
Is the difficult part,



So I'll slide down the chimney
Of each child's heart."

"My sack will hold toys
To grant all their wishes,
The supply will be endless,
Like the loaves and the fishes."

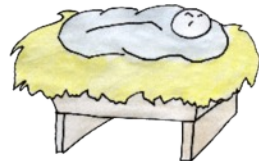
"I will fill all the stockings
And not leave a track,
I'll eat every cookie
That is left for my snack."

"I can do all these things Lord,
Only through You,
I just need your blessing,
Then it's easy to do."

"All this is to honor
The birth of the One,
That was sent to redeem us ...
Your most Holy Son."

"So to all of my friends,
Least Your glory I rob,
Please Lord, remind them
Who gave me this job."

~ Warren D. Jennings ~



Poinsettia Sign-Up

The annual sale of **red** or **white** Christmas poinsettias begins again. If you are interested in donating a poinsettia to the Glory of God as a **Memorial** or in **Thanksgiving**, please fill in the information below and return this form to the church office (or place it in the "church office" mailbox at the rear of the church).

Each plant is a 6 1/2 inch pot of 5 to 8 blossoms, wrapped in gold foil. The cost is **\$12.00 per plant**, and all orders must be received by **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16th**. The poinsettias will adorn the altar on CHRISTMAS EVE and may be taken home with you following service. **There will be NO CHRISTMAS DAY Service.** Thank you in advance for making our altar more beautiful at this special time of year!

In Loving Memory of _____

From: _____

In Thanksgiving for _____

From: _____

Please indicate how many and which color(s) you would like below:

How many
WHITE

How many
RED

() WILL Pick up plant(s) after service.

() WILL NOT take plants home.

Bible Wordsearch

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Matt. 19:15-30

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The Rich Man & The Kingdom

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ENTER CHILDREN
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HONOR GLORIOUS
INHERIT HEAVEN
ISRAEL JUDGING
JESUS MOTHER
KEPT NEEDLE
LEFT PERFECT
LIFE POSSIBLE
PETER RECEIVE
RICH RENEWAL
SAKE SISTERS
SAVED TEACHER
SELL THRONE
TIMES TREASURE
TRUTH WEALTH

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

The Bayside Glee Club Presents

CELEBRATING OUR DIAMOND JUBILEE - 75 YEARS OF SONG

OUR 75th ANNUAL WINTER CONCERT

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9th 2018
starting at 3:00 p.m.

CHURCH ON THE HILL

167-07 35th AVENUE, FLUSHING, NY 11358

Conductor: Henry Mc Donagh III
Accompanist: Joseph Liccardo

Voluntary Donation of \$10.00 per person.

There will be refreshments and a raffle after the concert

For more information visit our website, baysidegleeclub.org

The Bayside Glee Club's 2018 concert series is made possible, in part, by the Queens Council on the Arts with public funds from the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs in partnership with the NYC Council and the NY State legislature.

"Here is the
Lamb of God who
takes away the
sin of the world!"

John 1:29, NRSV



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

... to you is born
this day in the city of
David a Savior,
who is the
Messiah, the Lord

Luke 2:41, NRSV



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Sunday Worship 9:15am

* (Pre-Worship Singing begins at 9:05am)

Immanuel Lutheran Service 11:15am

Indo Pak Service 2:00pm - 3:30pm

Glory Lutheran Church 4:00pm - 5:30pm



May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ be upon

YOU

WORSHIP
With US