

Serve



THE LIVING GOD!

Hebrews 9:14

Resurrection Life SEPTEMBER 2019



**FROM THE
PASTOR**

“Faith in Action”

²⁴ By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵ choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶ He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

As we return from our July/August break I invite you to join with me in an exploration of our faith journey as the people of God. Those of us who are members of the Christian tradition are, for the most part, rightly referred to as ‘people of faith’. Therefore, it is necessary for us to wrestle with what this ‘title’ implies. Generally, for a Lutheran Christian, a ‘person of faith’ is someone who is baptized and confirmed and is therefore a member of the church. Some would add that the person will have to regularly attend Services, receive the Lord’s Supper frequently and participate fully in the activities of the church in order to rightly wear the title of ‘a person of faith’. However, this definition is only partially true. One can do all these things and still not truly be ‘a person of faith’.

Being a ‘person of faith’ is basically about the life we live every day in and out of church. A life of faith is about a life lived in a loving, thankful, relationship with God. This means that we have to, be guided by the Holy Spirit, strive to be open to God’s desire to enable our relationship with Him to grow from strength to strength. This relationship building begins with saturating our hearts and minds with the Word of God. The Word of God is the gift that God had given to us so that, among other important things, we can learn about His love for us. This Word

teaches us that God’s love for us flows in and through His Son, Jesus. When we believe this and invite Jesus into our lives, Jesus dwells with us. Our relationship with God is through the Jesus who dwells in us. This relationship is strengthened and sustained by the work of the Holy Spirit that God pours out upon us.

Relationships, to a large extent, guides our thoughts and actions. A loving relationship with family and friends instinctively makes us think and act in their best interest. In like manner, a relationship with God, instinctively makes us want to think and act in a way that is pleasing to God. However, because we are not perfect, we often think and do things that are not in the best interest of family and friends, and that is not pleasing to God. When we do, we are usually instinctively aware that we have messed up. When this happens, as it often does, God understands our failings because He knows that we are ‘broken’, imperfect’ and sinful and cannot help ourselves. So, God has provided the gift of repentance and forgiveness. It is a gift that God has given to us through the death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus. Our faith in our loving, forgiving God, moves us to repent and receive His forgiveness. We are then empowered to seek the forgiveness of those we have sinned against as well. This is what faithful living looks like, hence the title a ‘person of faith’.

Moses had access to all the power and riches of Egypt. However, Moses realized that if he embraced the power and riches at his disposal, it would mean that he would have to harm God’s people, his own new found family from whom he was separated. So, he acted in faith and gave it all up. Moses’ relationship with God, did not allow for him to let power and riches come between Him and doing right by God. He chose to think and act in a manner that pleased God. As such, Moses demonstrated that he was a ‘person of faith’. As we seek to live our lives as people of faith, the Devil is at work among us. The Devil dangles ‘power and riches’ as the greatest challenge in our quest to staying firm in our faith.

Every moment of our lives we are either being manipulated by the lure of power and riches or being tempted to lure others. Politicians do it in order to make us

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Ladies Guild SEPTEMBER

Use Your Nice Words!

Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul and health to the body. Proverbs 16:24

Of the Word

The industrious honey bee produces a natural sweetener that is good-tasting and is thought to have health benefits as well. But when angered, that little bee can inflict a painful sting that, in extreme cases, can cause illness or even death.

The words we use are much like that little bee. They can be soothing and kind, complimentary and loving, or filled with humor and happiness. But other words may sting, inflicting pain, killing good ideas, even diminishing someone's self-worth.

Perhaps we should commit the sweet, good-tasting words of Colossians 4:6 to heart and allow them to flavor our speech in all situations: *Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.*

A Point to Ponder: Today I will find at least one person to compliment, praise, or encourage.

Walking with my Lord

Lord, forgive me for the hurts my words have caused others. Help me to always speak graciously. Also, grant me the wisdom to know when to keep silent. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen



Fall Rally - Sept. 21, 2019
Theme: *Alzheimer's/Dementia*

LWML Sunday - October 6, 2019
THEME: *Faith Like a Mustard Seed*

Tuscarora Fall Retreat - October 11 - 13, 2019
Divine Destination, Flying bold

Our next meeting will be on **Tues. SEPT 24, 2019 @ 7:00pm**



Always Remember your Mite Boxes . . .

In Christ,
Debbie Sichler
President Ladies Guild



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Christians: keep the faith...but not from others!

and

Kneel before Jesus and you can stand before anyone.



BIBLE TRIVIA

SEPTEMBER TRIVIA QUESTION

FOOD, FOOD, FOOD ...

What incident of David's life caused people to bring him all manner of foods to eat?

HINT: LOOK IN THE BOOK OF 2 SAMUEL

LOOKING AHEAD TO OCTOBER TRIVIA QUESTION

FOOD, FOOD, FOOD ...

What old man was deceived when his son dressed in goatskin gloves and and presented him with a meal of cooked goat?

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 in a NURSING HOME: Harriet Rose; and those who are **HOME-BOUND:** Sonja Munzenmaier and Anita Reinert; and those with

OTHER CONCERNS: Lynn, Connie, Marie Cappello, Diana Green, Patrice, Marilyn Lang, Heather Valente, Ralph Valente, Danielle Valente, Juliette Valente, Valerie Lang, Jennifer Gajadhar, Tom McNeely, John Ulicny, Karen Carella, Nicole, Pastor Sam, Jorge Martinez, Ann Stanton, Ricky Stanton, Nancy Michaelis, Derek Zacchino, Peter Seibel, IV, Anthony Novitske, Anna Lee Rife, Yvonne Schadei, Grace Serro, Ronnie Sowa, Richard Sowa and Joanne Voltmer.

Heavenly Father - We pray with thanksgiving those who died in the Lord and now rest from their labors and that we be kept holy and blameless until that day when the last shall be first and we shall see the Lord face-to-face, in Your Holy 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, and the Indo Pak Ministry that God will continue to bless 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

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want to elect them, the business community does it in order for us to buy what they are selling even though life was just fine without whatever it is they are selling. Credit Card companies entice us to acquire their credit cards and then inflict upon us exorbitant taxes and fees, the media sensationalizes their broadcasts to make us want to watch their stations so that they could get high ratings and thereby maximize their bottom line. The list can go on and on. These deliberate intentional acts are so ingeniously crafted that many have convinced themselves that these things are done on their behalf. It's amazing how we also do that to each other in practically every human relationship: husband and wives, parents and children, neighbor and neighbor, church member and church member, employer and employee, co-worker and co-worker find ways to exercise power and control over each other. Some are better at it than others. We just cannot help ourselves. It usually begins with our love for each other. At some point, that love crosses a line and it becomes manipulative and controlling.

In addition, the unbridled obsession of accumulating riches can shift our focus away from all the things that matter to us: the people we love; the values we cherish, the faith we embrace. Before we know it, we have no values, no faith and the ones we once loved is grossly neglected.

We can become so entrenched in an obsession with power and riches that we learn how to justify our actions. It is very easy to be convinced that our inappropriate behavior is necessary for the benefit of our loved ones. Faith helps us to find the balance between providing for the needs of each other and becoming so obsessive that we lose our sense of what is reasonable. The sad thing is that we could get caught in this rut while still insisting that we have faith in God.

In conclusion, faith is not just about what we say we believe and what we confess in a creed. Faith is living out that belief and creed in our daily lives. Like Moses we have to refuse to be part of the power play of our world and learn to love God and neighbor. The Apostle James cautioned us with these words: ²⁶ *For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.* James 2:26.

Yes! We cannot just say we have faith. Our faith must translate into action. What we believe must be translated in the life that we live. The life we live is our faith in action.

Peace in Christ,

Pastor James T. Gajadhar

God's Blessings to all celebrating Birthdays this month

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sept. 1 Anna Chang
 Sept. 2 Grayson Gmuca
 Sept. 5 Jayden Gajadhar



Sept. 6 Karen Carella
 Sept. 17 James Gajadhar, Jr.
 Sept. 28 Marilyn Lang

September ANNIVERSARIES



Mario & Sherry Coluccio - September 2nd
 Pastor James & Jenny Gajadhar - September 18th
 Chris & Liz Vitacco - September 21st
 Tom & Dottie McNeely - September 30th



Congratulations! Stephanie

We are very proud of Stephanie Ruiz, who this past June graduated from Francis Lewis High School and is currently enrolled and attending Queens Borough Community College.

Stephanie Catherine Ruiz is the daughter of Valerie & Jesus Ruiz, niece to Dee Bardolf, and granddaughter to Deanna Bardolf.

Stephanie participates and is our youngest member of the Ladies Guild which meets once a month.

Great job Penny!

Our Heartfelt SYMPATHY



*It is with a heavy heart we announce the passing of **Howie Voltmer** on Wed. July 10, 2019. Howie was the father of Chris Voltmer who served as Youth Minister here at Resurrection and St. John's for five years. Howie was a member of St. John's for many years and served as an Usher. We keep his family and friends in our thoughts and prayers.*

*It is with sympathy and sadness that we announce passing of our sister in Christ, **Dorothea Gruenwald** who was called to Glory in Spartanburg, South Carolina on July 21, 2019. We will keep her family and friends in our thoughts and prayers.*

*We are sad to report the death of **Louie Poveromo** on August 5, 2019. Louie was the husband of Gail Haas Poveromo and brother-in-law of Kay Charon and Carol Rosa. Gail, Kay and Carol all grew up in Resurrection. We lift the Poveromo family up in prayer.*

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:

In Loving Memory of

DOROTHEA GRUENWALD

from the following individuals are:

Mr. & Mrs. George Fisher
 Christel Schnackenberg
 Anneliese Schaefer

RICHARD STANTON

from the following individual:

Eleanor Johnson

† *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.* †

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak</p>	<p>2  Office Closed</p>	3	4 NO Choir Practice	5	6	7
<p>Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak</p> <p>Grandparents Day</p>	8 9	10 	11  9:00am HEALING SERVICE Mid-Week Bible Study 10:00am NO Choir Practice	12	13	14
<p>Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak</p>	15 16	17	18  Mid-Week Bible Study 10:00am Council Meeting 4:00pm 7:30pm Choir Practice	19	20 	21
<p>Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak</p> <p>Voter's Meeting</p>	22 23 	24 Ladies Guild 7:00pm	25  Mid-Week Bible Study 10:00am 7:30pm Choir Practice	26	27	28
<p>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost 9:15am Resurrection Lutheran 11:15am Immanuel Lutheran 2:00pm Indo-Pak</p>	29 30	<p>God Bless America  Do not be anxious about anything but in every situation, by prayer and petition, <i>with thanksgiving</i> present your requests to God. Philippians 4:6</p>				



<u>September 1, 2019</u>	<u>September 8, 2019</u>	<u>September 15, 2019</u>	<u>September 22, 2019</u>	<u>September 29, 2019</u>
Elder: Tom McNeely	Elder: Tom McNeely	Elder: Tom McNeely	Elder: Tom McNeely	Elder: Tom McNeely
Reader: Debbie Sichler	Reader: Eleanor Johnson	Reader: Gary Carella	Reader: Walter Hartman	Reader: Jenny Gajadhar
Usher: Stephen Gavora George Fisher	Usher: Stephen Gavora George Fisher	Usher: Stephen Gavora George Fisher	Usher: Stephen Gavora George Fisher	Usher: Stephen Gavora George Fisher
Greeter: Ada Gavora	Greeter: Dottie McNeely	Greeter: Sharon Rouzier	Greeter: Eleanor Johnson	Greeter: Ada Gavora
Altar Care: Eleanor Johnson Dottie McNeely	Altar Care: Dottie McNeely Eleanor Johnson	Altar Care: Christel Schnackenberg	Altar Care: Christel Schnackenberg	Altar Care: Jenny Gajadhar Karen Carella

RECOGNITION OF MUSIC MINISTRY

We as a church are equipped with a rich variety of gifts. Thanks are given for the ways these gifts of music have been shown among us. Thanks are given for the shared joy and accomplishments. Thanks are given to those who have faithfully served within the music ministry of our congregation. May you continue to be a witness to Christ in lives that are built on faith and love.

Many thanks to Walter Hartman our Minister of Music who teaches and inspires the choir to learn new songs. Ralph Valente who plays the drums, Heather Valente our flutist; and the choir, Debbie Sichler, Jenny Gajadhar, Karen Carella, Gary Carella, Ida Myers and Cynthia Myers.



DEADLINE:
Newsletter Articles
 September 20, 2019

SUNDAY'S -	Immanuel Lutheran Church - Bible Study - 9:30am Pastor Sam uses Church 2:00pm - 3:30pm
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



An ORGAN FUND has been set-up to help with the cost. If you would like to contribute to this ORGAN FUND please make a check payable to Resurrection Lutheran Church and put **ORGAN FUND** in memo line.

Bible Wordsearch The Sealed Scroll 2

Wordsearch 182

Rev.5:8-14



- AMEN
- ANGELS
- BLOOD
- EARTH
- ELDERS
- FELL
- GLORY
- GOD
- HEARD
- HEAVEN
- HONOR
- KINGDOM
- LAMB
- LIVING
- NATION
- PEOPLE
- POWER
- PRAISE
- PRIESTS
- REIGN
- SANG
- SCROLL
- SEALS
- SERVE
- SLAIN
- THRONE
- TIMES
- TRIBE
- VOICE
- WEALTH
- WISDOM
- WORTHY
- THOUSAND
- PURCHASED
- CREATURES
- LANGUAGE
- STRENGTH
- WORSHIPED
- SINGING

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

Psalm 64



Each **Wednesday at 10:00am** in Bible Class, lively discussions are about **WOMEN IN THE NEW TESTAMENT**. Get to know them and you will grow in faith. You will know God more deeply. You will see Him in their lives and in your life today.

1. **Elizabeth** Receiving God's Goodness
Luke 1:5-25, 39-45, 57-66
2. **Mary** Believing the Impossible
Luke 1:26-38 46-56
3. **Herodias** The Fruit of Bitterness
Mark 6:14-29
4. **A Sinful Woman** A Forgiven Heart
Luke 7:36-50
5. **The Cananite Woman** Persevering in Prayer
Matthew 15:21-28
6. **Mary and Martha** Facing Deaths Grief
John 11:1-44
7. **Sapphira** Dishonest to God
Acts 4:32 - 5:11
8. **Lydia** A Business Woman Turns to Christ
Acts 16:6-15
9. **Euodia and Syntyche** Women in Conflict
Philippians 3:20-4:9, 2:1-8
10. **Priscilla** A Partner in Leadership
Acts 18:1-4, 18-28

Take the
lowest place,
so that when
your host comes,
he will say to you,
Friend
move up
to a better place."
LUKE 14:10, NIV

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

"For all those who
exalt themselves
will be humbled,
and those who
humble themselves
will be exalted."

LUKE 14:14, NIV

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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



SEPTEMBER



May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ be upon

YOU