LCR Weekly November 29, 2020

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PARKING LOT WORSHIP

8:00 am & 11:00 am Incl. Holy Communion

ONLINE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

9:30 am Resurrection
Hour led by Pr. Dave
9:30 Resurrection
Hour led by Dan Gilroy

11:00 am Worship on YouTube

9:00 am <u>Youth or</u> Confirmation

8:30 pm Parents of Sunday Schoolers
1st & 3rd Sunday

WEDNESDAY

8:00 am Men's
Breakfast
12:00 pm Prayer with
Pastor Dave

THURSDAY

8:30 am Women's Bible Study

Council Update



Council: Dan Lizdas, President, Elizabeth Shreiner, Treasurer, Members at Large: Lisa Rydarowski, Kriss Nelson, Stephen Goodnough, Kimberly Tonn, Susan Williams, Dan Steidle, Catherine Strate, Vice President, Pastors Dave and Stephen, Bob Rose (hidden), Secretary, and Allison Lizdas (taking photo)

Hello LCR members & friends,

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this week, we reflect on a tough 2020, and at the same time give thanks to our Lord and Savior for the many gifts we have received. I am very thankful for LCR, and the leadership role that you have entrusted me with. We continue to have lots to be thankful for at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection. Financially, we continue to be in a good position, and we give God praise for that! Income is \$5,330 below budget (or 1.5%), and expenses are \$8,237 below budget (or 2.5%). The expense reductions are largely due to not having in-person worship and activities. This means our net income is \$2,907 favorable versus budget. I am very thankful to all of you for your continued faithful giving and support of LCR.

We continue to have strong attendance across the various forms of worship. We continue to average around 100 hits per week in virtual worship, and parking lot worship is seeing a bit of growth in the past five weeks, when we averaged 125 people between the two services. I hope that you will be able to attend the Wednesday Advent services in the parking lot (12/2, 12/9, 12/16 @ 7:00 pm), where we will be preparing to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus.

Another exciting update I wanted to share is that the council just approved the first disbursement from the recently established LCR Mission Fund, a \$10,000 payment to our ministry partners in Guatemala (ILAG). Guatemala recently experienced significant loss of crops, homes, and infrastructure, due to recent hurricanes. These funds from LCR will be used to purchase food kits, solar lamps, and other recovery supplies that the ILAG congregations desperately need. This is a great example of how we can live out God's call to serve. Thank you for your dedication to LCR.

Your fellow servant in Christ, Dan Lizdas, Council President





Children

Sunday is the first day of Advent. Remind your kids that the color for the season is bluish-purple and during Advent, we wait for baby Jesus. The story this week is from the New Testament Mark

13: 24 – 36. I hope your children received their winter packet of Sunday School material with their lesson pamphlet, activity and family pages. To get ready for Advent take a few moments and watch the Whirl video.

Let us pray, Holy God, Thank you for Advent. Help us wait patiently for Jesus. Amen. -Sharon Leon

Children Events

Happy Hour Parents of Sunday Schoolers

Next Mtg: Nov. 1 1st & 3rd Sunday 6-8:30pm Zoom Link



New Communion Distribution during Advent

Communion will be brought to you on Sunday mornings during Advent. Beginning this Sunday, November 29, those attending the parking lot worship services at 8am and 11am will be asked to stay at their vehicles and the pastors will bring communion to them. Worship will then conclude with a blessing and benediction.

Communicants may remain inside their vehicle, or you may stand outside of your vehicle. It is important that you continue to wear your mask and ensure six feet of distance is maintained between your household and those nearby.

As the pastor approaches you, please extend your hands. The pastor will place the host on your hand. Do not grasp the host or cup your hands. Please hold your hands flat.

The pastor will then hand you an individual communion cup. Please prepare to hold the bottom portion of the cup without making contact with the pastor.

Once the pastor has moved away from you, you may move your mask and consume the elements. After you have consumed the elements please re-adjust your mask and place the used individual communion cups in the basket the usher will bring to you.

It is important that after you receive communion that you do not drive away. The service will conclude with a communal prayer, blessing, and benediction. While you wait for the rest of the congregation to receive communion, please pray for them and the world. You can pray your own prayer or you can join in the congregational songs that become our prayer.

Following the blessing and benediction, the ushers will direct the flow of traffic for the congregation to depart the parking lot worship service.

Resurrection Hour

Sundays at 9:30

Resurrection Hour led by Helen and Pastor Dave

Families in the Bible led by Dan Gilroy Email Dan at Dangilroy7
@comcast.net

Youth Events

SUNDAYS 9-10:30am

2nd & 4th

MS & HS Family Sunday School

1st & 3rd

Confirmation Class



MUST Food and Toys for Families

Next donation: November 28 from 2 to 4 pm outside the Gathering Room.

Happy Thanksgiving! On this busy weekend let's not forget about nearby families in need. You donated a literal mountain of food and toys last collection day. Let's do it again this Saturday. Items needed: non-perishable foods, toiletries, cleaning supplies, and NEW, UNWRAPPED toys, blankets, games, books, warm hats/gloves, socks and undies for kids of all ages, 0-18 years. Click here for the MUST Toy Shop, scroll to the bottom for toy and gift ideas and volunteer opportunities.



Year-End Giving

Year end is approaching, and this is an excellent time to consider LCR as part of your annual giving and GIVING Individual tax planning.

LCR welcomes the gift of stock as a means of giving. If you are interested in donating stock, please be sure to contact Elizabeth Shreiner, Treasurer as we have new instructions for stock gifts. Please do so by December 15 to allow time for the transfer and sale of shares.



Giving Tuesday is December 1

Giving Tuesday was created in 2012 as a day that encourages people to do good. It has grown into a global movement. GAgives hosts Georgia non-profit organizations such as Inspiritus and raised over \$13.5 Million in 2019 for non-profits.

Outreach

MUST

donation link

CAC

donation link

YELLS

donation link

Next **MUST Food & Toy Collection Drive Dates:** November 28 & December 12 from 2-4 pm LCR Parking Lot

Candles for Luminarias Needed

Bring your new or gently used candles that fit into a brown paper lunch and bun for 5-6 hours to the bin in next to the Gathering Room Doors. No tealights or taper candles please.



Happy Friday

Shop your Black Friday deals at AmazonSmile and Amazon donates amazonsmile

Make a difference this holiday. Shop for gifts at smile. amazon.com/ch/58-1352477 to generate donations for LCR. If this is your first time to smile.amazon.com, you will be prompted to select a charitable organization, and we ask you to choose Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Marietta, GA. For eligible purchases through AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to LCR. Works for Prime members as well.



Wednesday Evening Advent Services "Watch, Wait, and Wonder" in the Parking Lot December 2, 9 & 16

6:30 pm Pre-Packed Dinner / 7:00 pm Worship

We have been worshiping in the parking lot on Sunday mornings, and we invite you to join us for worship in the parking lot on Wednesday evenings during Advent surrounded by festive lighting.

Enjoy dinner beforehand by pre-ordering and pre-paying for individually pre-packaged dinners at \$8 per person. Come as early as 6:30 pm to eat dinner in your car or bring lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy dinner outside your car.

Here is the menu & the link to pre-order Advent Dinners To

Go: Dec. 2: Chicken Salad Roll, Loose Meat Mini Burger, Herbed Cucumber Pasta Salad, Brownie, Bottled Water Dec. 9: Ham Salad Roll, Turkey & Swiss Roll, Fresh Broccoli Salad, Date Nut Bar, Bottled Water

<u>Dec. 16:</u> Two Baked Ham Sammies, BLT Pasta Salad, Blondie, Bottled Water <u>Order Here!</u>

Christmas Carol Sing December 6 at 4 pm, in the Parking Lot

Let's get into the Christmas spirit and sing Christmas carols together! We invite you to sing Christmas Carols with us either from your car or bring your lawn chair and masks and maybe a blank et to sit outside of your car.



Christmas Eve Service Schedule Christmas Eve Worship in the Parking Lot December 24 at 3, 6 and 8pm

Enjoy the service surrounded by festive lighting from your car or bring a lawn chair, mask, and blanket to sit next to your car.

Online Christmas Music & Christmas Eve Worship

Will be available on our YouTube Channel beginning at noon on December 24 (www.YouTube.LCRsermons).

Holy Communion December 24 from 4-5 pm

After you have joined online worship, we encourage you to drive over to LCR to receive Holy Communion from one of our pastors between 4:00-5:00 pm.

Worship

Parking Lot Worship Volunteer

Sign-up Link

Events

LCR Women's Bible Study

Thursdays at 8:30am
To receive Zoom link email
Allison@lcrmarietta.org

Advent Worship Wednesday Evenings

December 2, 9 and 16 7 pm Worship 6:30pm Prepacked Dinner

Christmas Carol Sing December 6 at 4 pm

Christmas Eve December 24

Christmas Eve Worship Parking Lot

3, 6 and 8 pm

Online

Starting at Noon

Holy Communion 4-5 pm

Women's Book Club
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