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# **Prayer During COVID-19**

Jesus, during Your ministry on Earth You showed Your power and caring by healing people of all ages and stations of life from physical, mental, and spiritual ailments. Be present now to people who need Your loving touch because of COVID-19. May they feel Your power of healing through the care of doctors and nurses.

Take away the fear, anxiety, and feelings of isolation from people receiving treatment or under quarantine within their homes. Give them a sense of purpose in pursuing health and protecting others from exposure to the disease. Protect their families and friends and bring peace to all who love them.

Remind each of us to be kinder, think more about others in need and to have grace during this time of duress. In Jesus name...Amen

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. —Philippians 4:6 (NIV)

# WORSHIP

### We are worshipping ONLINE ONLY through the end of the month.

Join us for a live stream on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/rslcs Sundays at 9:00 am

You can also watch a video of the entire service starting after 10:30 am on Sunday. The link will be on the front page of our web site: www.rslcs.org



### Weekly Livestream Sermons

Did you know that we post each week's sermon on our website? If you happen to miss a week (or two) visit the website under "Resources" and select the sermon you would like to view.

### Ways to Give Each Week

- Text to Pay Text the amount you'd like to give to 855.946.1637. You'll receive a text reply with a link to complete the transaction.
- E-Give Click on the "Give" link at the top of the Home page on the website, rslcs.org and follow the directions.
- Mail Send your check payments to: RSLCS 23714 S. Alma School Rd., Chandler, AZ 85248

### Lenten Service Videos

Pastor Mark created Lenten videos for the past two weeks. You can view these on our Facebook page or our website.

### Holy Week and Easter Sunday Services

Visit our website for more details on the Livestream Services, www.rslcs.org.

Palm Sunday	April 5	Livestream at 9:00 am
Maundy Thursday	April 9	Livestream at 12:30pm/6:30pm
Good Friday	April 10	TBD
Easter Sunday	April 12	TBD

We realize at this time everyone is going through many emotions along with processing the ongoing changes with COV)D-19. Please know that we are working hard behind the scenes so we can remain a strong church community together. We hope you are able to worship with us on Sundays and praying that we can all be together in person soon! Please contact the Church if you are in need of prayers (prayers@rslcs.org) or if you need any form of assistance during this time.

\*\*<u>Splash Article:</u> Please note that the Easter Service details/ad that was placed in the April 2020 edition of the Splash Sun Lakes newspaper was submitted over two months ago, prior to any COVID-19. We apologize for the confusion as we are NOT having any in person worship this month.



### Pastor Ron's Ethiopia Trip Update

If you missed the update sessions last month on Pastor Ron's trip to Ethiopia. See a short video on our website under "Missions".

#### **Eblast Updates**

If you haven't yet signed up to receive our weekly Worship details and church updates, please email news@rslcs.org to be added to the list. This is a great way to always stay informed on what Risen Savior has going on!



Visit www.rslcs.org for the Latest Updates at Risen Savior/COVID-19 There are also new links that contain great information regarding "Worship", "Help" and "Give". Please visit the website for more details.

### Splash Article-Food Drive Update

Please note that the Food Drive article that was placed in the April 2020 edition of the Splash Sun Lakes newspaper was submitted over two months ago, prior to any COVID-19 details were public. We apologize for the confusion as we are NOT having a Food Drive this month. As of now, this event is being cancelled.

### Portals of Prayer Booklets

We have placed a box of booklets in front of the Sanctuary doors for those who want to come by and grab a copy. We will refill as needed (all sizes are available). If you are unable to get to the Church building, email prayers@rslcs.org your address and we will mail you a copy (please note which size you would like).





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# ANSWER



#### TO PLACE A PRAYER OR VISIT REQUEST:

- Submit a prayer request by filling out a Prayer card found in the pews and place it in the offering plate or email prayers@rslcs.org. Prayers remain on the list for 4 weeks, unless an update is
  - provided.
- † To have someone pray with you by phone or in person, email prayerwarriors@rslcs.org.
- + To notify the church of a surgery or hospitalization, please email visits@rslcs.org. Please include the facility and contact number.
- + After hours that need a timely response by a Pastor, please call 480.895.6782 Ext. 120 and leave your name and phone number.



Align Your Investments with Your Personal Values

**WOLCEF** Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) empowers ministries to share the Gospel and build God's Kingdom through Word and deed. An investment with LCEF puts your blessings from God to work for ministries, supporting what you value most. Making disciples is something we all can share through the LCEF ministry. There are a variety of LCEF investments to suit your needs. Find more information at lcef.org or call 800.843.5233.

#### There's Still Time to Take the ALSO Challenge!

Here's how to get the most out of the taxes you already pay: give \$22 or \$226 on up to \$2,269 and ALSO will turn your tax credit donation into a scholarship to help a child receive a Christian education.

All amounts help!

If you pay Arizona state income tax, you can redirect your tax dollars to create scholarships at no cost to you. Simply make a donation to ALSO, Claim your tax credit on your Arizona state taxes and

Receive your money back as a dollar-for-dollar tax credit.

Deadlines are coming up soon. Before you file your state taxes to give your donation. Get details and give online today at ALSOsto.org

Since 2002, ALSO has awarded millions in tuition scholarships to children attending Lutheran schools where they grow in their faith each day. These scholarships are made possible by hundreds of people who contribute to ALSO.

Providing scholarships made possible by tax credit donations.

# ANSWER Continued...

## **Returned Mail From Post Office**

We apologize that some of your mail to the church is being returned. Since we closed the Church Office we set up a PO Box to have all of our mailed forwarded to. The Post Office assured us that this would go into effect immediately, unfortunately it did not and many of you have had mailed returned stating that it was undeliverable. We believe that all mail is now being automatically forwarded to the PO Box, so continue to use the church address:

Risen Savior Lutheran Church 23914 S Alma School Rd Chandler, AZ 85248

We are sorry for the inconvenience, especially since many of you were mailing in your offerings only to have them returned. Thank you for understanding and for your extra effort to give to the Lord during this unprecedented time.

# HopeChest La Cuchilla Friendship Partners Friendship Letter

#### Mail by April 15.

In conjunction with our partner churches, we are asking all of our La Cuchilla Friendship Partners to have a letter submitted to their La Cuchilla Child Friend by **April 15, 2020**. Letter turnaround can take from 6 - 8 weeks. So while many of us are in a "stay at home" mode, we thought this would be a great opportunity for all the children to receive a letter.

Instructions and tips for letter writing were included in your child packet you received a few weeks ago. Letters can be written using the letter template included in your packet and then mailed to HopeChest. In addition, you have the option to write your letter using the La Cuchilla Community Page, which includes photo uploading and electronic submittal to HopeChest. The website is lacuchilla.hopechest.org Scroll down and select Guatemala, scroll down and select La Cuchilla Carepoint, scroll down to Write My Child. If you have any questions please contact me at email: rmmyczek@gmail.com or via mobile 480.249.0720.

## Active Duty Military Personnel

We would like to acknowledge and pray for all active duty military personnel associated with RSLCS. Please contact us on the prayer request line prayers@rslcs.org, a pew card or by phone with their names. Please include an address so we can send a card. Names are posted in the display case outside to the left of the Sanctuary. The Service flag is an official banner authorized by the Department of Defense for display by families who have members serving in the Armed Forces during any period of war or hostilities the United States may be engaged in.

## **Blood Drive**

April 24 from 9:00 am—2:30 pm in the Church Parking Lot.

American Blood Services will be hosting a blood drive this month. Contact David Peters with any questions 480.560.0295. They will be set-up to adhere to social distancing.



# DEVELOP

### Bible Study – The Ten Commandments

Mondays at 6:30 pm in Maricopa.

This will be a LifeGuide study on "The Ten Commandments" by Rob Suggs. We will also be using Luther's Small Catechism as a resource. If you are interested in joining us call Linda at 480.452.8980.



This group is currently meeting virtually through video studies and messages. If you are not already on the email list, contact Annie at womensministries@rslcs.org. Let's stay connected in creative ways at this time until we can see each other again!



Follow the Youth on Instagram: **RSLCS\_Youth** 

We now have a private Facebook page for the Youth and Parents to get updates. Email Shannon at the email address below to get added to the group.

Contact Shannon at shannon.porter@rslcs.org for details about youth ministries.

# **DEVELOP** Continued...

**Ignite and Impact:** Daily Bible Journaling is happening now on the Youth Facebook Group. Join is today!





#### VBS—Concrete & Cranes

June 15—19 from 9:00 am—11:30 am.

This program is for kids age 3 years old - incoming 5th graders.

\*\*We are looking for volunteers to help with VBS. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Shannon at 480.895.6782 or shannon.porter@rslcs.org.

# **Risen Savior Monthly Financial Review**

Due to COVID-19, we will not have financials available in this month's newsletter. We will have two month's worth of details in the May issue. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.



Diane	Bergelin	4/1	Lily	Wirth	4/13
Alicia	Endicott	4/1	Lorraine	Brammer	4/14
Robert	Becker	4/2	Diane	Newman	4/14
Janet	Bauer	4/2	Barbara	Weber	4/14
Becky	Magee	4/2	Patty	Van Houten	4/14
Kimberly	Buchanan	4/2	Laura	Lasiter	4/14
Dale	Pettis	4/3	Nathaniel	Erickson	4/14
Jim	Junkermeier	4/3	Morgan Grace	Burchill	4/14
Lisa	McCain	4/3	Austin	Factor	4/14
Marilee	Smith	4/3	Logan	Hightower	4/14
Amelia	Nimmer	4/3	Charleen	Henderson	4/15
Gary	Huber	4/4	Willa	Kohl	4/16
Jeffrey	Milne	4/4	Dorothy	Roberts	4/16
Randall	Ruis	4/5	Gwen	Vining	4/16
Rosellia	Stirlen	4/5	Betty	Collier	4/16
Dave	Bolio	4/6	Matthew	Fasciana	4/16
Andrew	Kerr	4/6	Brooke	Mans	4/16
Chuck	Horn	4/6	James	Knight	4/17
Lynsey	Schmidt	4/6	Sydney	Stevens	4/17
Parker	Guindon	4/6	Betty	Zisch-de la Rosa	4/17
Beverly	Mueller	4/6	,		4/18
Eugene	Nelson	4/7	Larry Michelle	Metzger Burcham	4/18
Susie	Mathias	4/7		Gloss	4/18
Reginald	Jokisch	4/7	Hunter		
Robert	Olson	4/8	Ray	Welker	4/19
Meredith	Dresp	4/9	Ron	Jaso Da Vita	4/19
Anthony	Sulsona	4/9	Teresa	De Vito	4/19
Sage	Dougher	4/10	Crystal	Kunka	4/19
Abraham	Evans	4/10	Roger	Senske	4/20
Pete	Ponder	4/11	Karen	Coleman	4/20
Kristi	Garcia	4/11	Richard	Graham	4/21
Elyse	Wolf	4/11	Sherry	Ott	4/21
William	Kabele	4/12	Jennifer	Miller	4/21
Jo — ·	Timmons	4/12	Lawton	Hermes	4/21
Tenni	Annen	4/12	Dennis	Nelson	4/22
Heather	Melendez	4/12	Donna	Patti	4/22
Alexis	Buchanan	4/12	Kathryn	Johnson	4/22
Madelynn	Weimer	4/13	Anthony	Weis	4/22



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Sloane	Crosley	4/22
Harold	Teuscher	4/23
Monica	McLean	4/23
Daphne	Baker	4/23
Trygve	Fekjan	4/24
Robert	Adamovic	4/24
Kenneth	Meyer	4/25
Jay	Gallipo	4/26
Pam	Seckinger	4/26
Joel	Endicott	4/26
Brayden	Sweetman	4/26
Dick	Koskovick	4/27
J. Susan	Thomas-Erickson	4/27
Joel	Konicke	4/28
Shari	Beadle	4/28
Luke	Ritchie	4/28
Lexi	Appleton	4/28
Randy	Buns	4/29
Payton	Heese	4/29
Joseph	Johnson	4/30



Thomas & Carolyn Tagatz 4/23/1955 Carl & Kathryn Johnson 4/6/1974 Thomas & Jeannine McLean 4/20/1974 Robert & Alice Kurz 4/24/1982 Harold & Julia Teuscher 4/20/1985 James & Donna Walgren 4/20/1989 Replogle Lyle & Elizabeth 4/24/1996 Perkins Steven & Marianne 4/12/1997 Swoverland Michael & Sandra 4/12/1997 John & Beverly Burkhart 4/10/1999 David & Crystal Kunka 4/18/2000 James & Bettina Torre 4/7/2001 Jennifer & Michael Balbarin 4/27/2002 Annie & Jason Appleton 4/17/2004 Todd & Shannon Zemlock 4/19/2008 Greg & Micah **Snodgrass** 4/9/2010 Konicke Joel & Brenda 4/20/2013 John & Kelly Della Chiesa 4/5/2014