



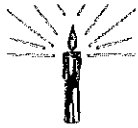
Congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.  
675 West Vandament Ave. Yukon, Oklahoma 73099. 405.354.3322.  
[www.rlcok.org](http://www.rlcok.org) Sunday Worship @ 10:15 AM  
Office hours: M-F 9 AM-12 PM



**Prayers and Pies Sunday, June 2!**  
Stay after worship 6/2 for a special pie and prayer fellowship to send Pastor Mark off on sabbatical.



In honor of Yvonne Gernert's b-day; Nicole's sister.



**June eternal candle:**  
In memory of Daddy Jack & honor all fathers.



- 6- Lori Horton
- 8- Jeff & Kay Jennings

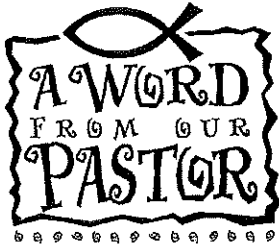
**Fellowship Host: Pies!**  
**Communion Set-up/break-down:**  
**Ryan McGivern**  
**Please sign-up in the fellowship hall!**



Donate By Pointing Your Smartphone Camera at this QR Code.  
Offering of \$32,000 per month needed to cover "general expenses" monthly missions, heat, air, electricity, staff payroll, insurance, office/worship supplies...



**May general expenses giving: \$24,248**  
**May special giving: \$1,511**



### Pastor Mark's Remarks for Summer 2024

#### "Living According to Design"

*'Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. <sup>25</sup>The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. <sup>26</sup>And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. <sup>27</sup>The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!'* Matthew 7:24-27

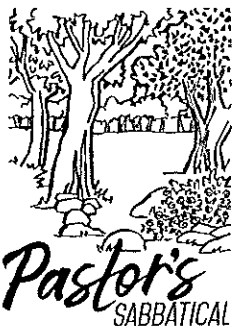
God's commandments are not given to steal life away from us, but to give us life in all its fullness. The ways of the world might promise to make life fuller, but they actually end up making our lives smaller.

As Jesus comes to the end of the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7) he makes a comparison between life lived according to his teachings and life lived contrary to his teachings. Those who do what he has taught will have the capacity to weather the storms of life in ways those who don't do what he has taught never will.

The older I get, the more I have come to believe that the best way to live life is according to God's commands and ways, even when they seem to contrary to the prevailing wisdom of the world. I am convinced what God does in me when I tithe is much more valuable than keeping that money could ever be. I am convinced that taking time for rest and sabbath is more valuable than what I could get done if I didn't take that time. I am convinced that forgiving those who sin against me and honoring my parents and not coveting what other people have will all make me a healthier person who will live a better life, but failing to do those things will make me smaller and weaker.

This summer, I need to be reminded that working harder and not resting is not necessarily the best recipe for a more productive life. There is a reason God tells us to take Sabbath and to let fields rest. That time of rest is not to make us or the fields produce less, but to have the capacity to produce more and longer.

I pray that taking time to rest will not just help me be more productive in the long run, but also be a reminder that living according to God's design is always the way to experience the best and fullest life.



#### Pastor Mark taking Sabbatical this Summer

Sometimes the best strategy to get things done is to press forward and keep working. Sometimes the best strategy is to take a rest and come back later. I am at the point where I feel like the more I press forward the less productive I am getting. Synod guidelines suggest that churches offer Sabbaticals after 4-6 years of service, and my last Sabbatical was 6 years ago, so the time has come. Thank you to the Church Council for their support!

Part of my Sabbatical will be time for rest, refreshing and family, and part of my sabbatical will be staying in the Yukon area working on two areas the church (the whole church, not just RLC) has not been very good at. Those areas are unity between churches and Christians of different denominations and church streams, and Christians more intentionally living out the faith in daily life and not just keeping their faith in the church building.

As with my last Sabbatical, you will be invited to participate in what I am focusing on learning. Two of the tools I will be using to accomplish my Sabbatical theme will be a t-shirt and a devotional book. More details about how to use these items will be given as they become available.

Jesus has promised that we will experience his presence as we practice unity with other Christians and as we live out our faith by loving and serving our neighbor. If you want to more fully experience Jesus' presence and activity in your life this summer, you are invited to take the challenge Pastor Mark will be setting not only for members of RLC, but for members of Christian congregations throughout Yukon.

### RLC VBS "Camp Firelight" June 11th-14th-10AM-12:30PM



Registration Table is located in the Narthex. There are a number of ways you can help out with VBS. You can be a leader, a shepherd, help with our wish list needs located in the narthex, donate money, help with decorating, pray for everyone involved in VBS.



### RLC Graduating Seniors: Bailey Butler,

Grace Houpt, Heaven Robinson \*\*\*If you know of

someone graduating, please let Lori B know. Please

have them send a Bio & Picture to [lori@rlcok.org](mailto:lori@rlcok.org) For

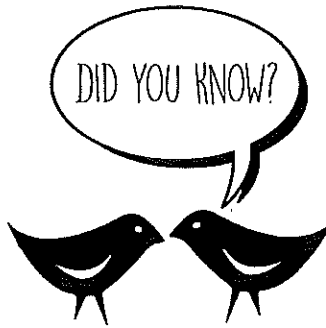
our 3 high school graduates there are wish lists located in the fellowship hall.



We're working on VBS during the Sunday School time and during Confirmation time starting June 2nd through July 7th; there's a special Sunday School Class for those in 8th grade through College, called "Created to Be."



**FOR ALL 8th graders-12th graders!** June 8th, 5 PM - June 9th, 10:30 AM. University Lutheran Church and Student Center, Norman, OK **Dinner, Activities, Worship, Movie Time, Sleepover** Cost: \$10 donation per person for dinner and breakfast, pay for your own bowling/movie. **Activities:** bowling or swag making. **Let's Connect Before the Gathering!**



We are going through a lot of food for our blessing box and are in need of Breakfast items, pop top lid canned goods and easy to open protein items...

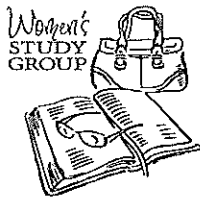


Free Little Pantry

Communion Bread is provided by the Hand and Foot Canasta Players who meet at RLC the first Thursday of each month. Experienced and inexperienced players are always welcome to join the fun! Contact Jean Ross.



Please join us for a women's bible study Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8 PM. We're using "*Fascinating Bible Studies on Every Parable*" by Dr.

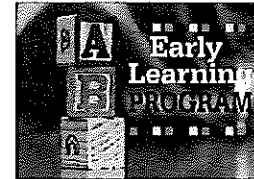


William H. Marty. Read the lesson weekly before we meet, drop in and out as your schedule permits.

Please call or text questions to Donna

Gorrell (405) 205-9385. Books available at Amazon for approx. \$12.

Resurrection Kids is enrolling for Summer ages 2-8 yrs and Fall Preschool/ MDO 1-5 yrs.



For more information, see RLC's Website: [rlcok.org](http://rlcok.org) or call 405.354.3322.

With heated summer months ahead, can you help with additional utility costs? RLC ministries continue to meet, such as; bible studies, ladies Hand and Foot Canasta, quilting, VBS, Res Kids and special fellowship events. Mark your donation *OG&E summer*. Thank you!





**Donna Anderson**, 20 years ago she lost a kidney to cancer. Doctors have found a growth/lesion on her healthy kidney.

**Wanda Bonavida**. Health concerns.

**Melodee Daily**. She just found out that she has a very aggressive form of cancer.

**Emma Wassilak's nephew**, 3-year old Gus, battling cancer.

**Bobbie Loud**, she's fighting Parkinsons.

**Winnie Lauden**, Sheri Campbell's cousin, still having health problems.

**Doug Glense**, Marcie's uncle, has bladder cancer.

**Logan Hambree**, has a rare genetic disorder, Leukodystrophy.

**Ryan Tharp**, running tests.

**Garth/Terry Thompson, friend Cindra**, both struggling from serious illnesses.



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**2024 Church Council**

Katherine Dawson, President. Stephen Tharp, Vice President. Will Daugherty, Secretary. Nicole Baker, Marcie Branstetter, Donna Gorrell, Phil Maune, Marvin Meyer & Carie Wauson. **Teresa Carter, Treasurer**

# June 2024

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