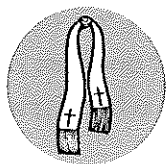


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Sunday Worship @ 10:15 AM

Office hours: M-F 9 AM-12 PM



**Pastor Mark Borseth**

- 5 - Sam Wagner
- 7 - Phil Maune
- 8 - Charles Wray
- 10- Fred & Sheri Campbell
- 11 - Lydia Cox

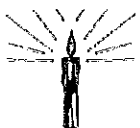
*Celebrating  
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**Sponsored by Ellen Wray**



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



**May eternal candle:** In honor of Karl and Elise birthdays.

**Fellowship Host:**  
**Communion Set-up/break-down:**  
**No communion 5/5.**

**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...



**April general expenses giving: \$22,108.75**  
**April special giving: \$1,142.56**

**Transferred savings \$9,216.55 to checking to cover April  
general expenses. As of 5/3 checking balance: \$1,100.41**

*Pastor Mark's Remarks for May 2023**"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 fulness. 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.

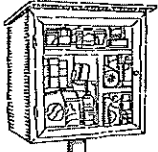
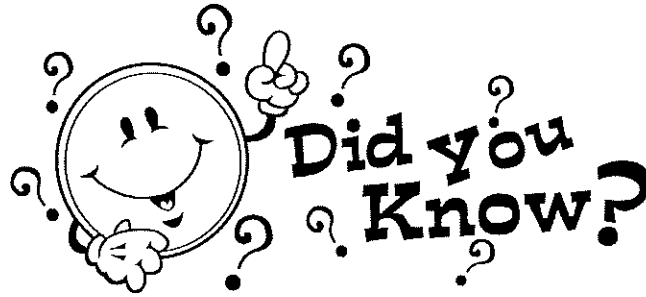
Stay tuned for more information throughout the month of May.

**Kommunity Kindness Gala – Thursday, May 30 at 6:00pm at the Dale Robertson Center in Yukon**

Kommunity Kindness is a Yukon-based nonprofit focused on supporting families affected by mental illness. They are having their annual gala on Thursday, May 30 at 6pm at the Dale Robertson Center. The cost is \$35 a ticket. RLC is looking at sponsoring a table. Even if you can't go, you are invited to help us raise \$280 to sponsor a table (anything above \$280 will be a donation). Let Pastor Mark know if you would like to donate, go to the Gala or both. Blessings!

**RLC Graduating Seniors: Bailey Butler, Grace Houpt, Heaven Robinson**

*\*\*\*Let us know if we missed anyone!*



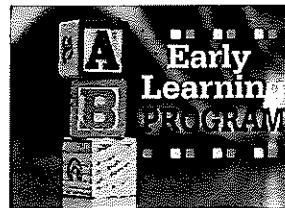
Free Little Pantry

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...

Resurrection Kids is enrolling for Summer ages 2-8 yrs and

Fall Preschool/  
MDO 1-5 yrs.

For more information, please call/  
email:  
405.354.3322,  
contact Jenifer.



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.

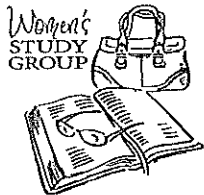


With heated summer months ahead, can you help with additional utility costs? RLC ministries continue to meet, such as; bible studies, ladies Hand and Foot Canasta, quilting, VBS, Res Kids and special fellowship events. Mark your donation OG&E summer. Thank you!

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.



**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!**



**Synod Events:**

**Youth Lock-in**  
Grades 5-12 June 28<sup>th</sup> -  
June 29<sup>th</sup> noon to noon  
**Family Camp** May 31st -  
June 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. Crispin's in  
Wewoka, OK



**PRAYER MINISTRY**

**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.

**Gennifur**, Teresa Butler's cousin, who was  
taken to the hospital this morning,

admitted with stage 4 heart failure. **Shirley  
Schwartz and family**, they lost their home and  
three dogs in a house fire.

**Ryan Tharp**, his family and his medical team.  
He has several new spots of cancer in different  
lymph nodes, around his heart, in some of his  
vertebrae and pelvic bones.

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



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**2024 Church Council**

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

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