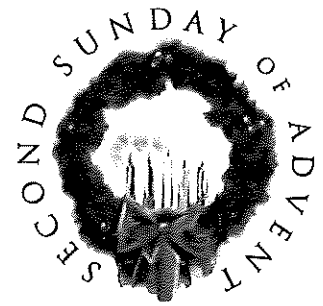


Resurrection Lutheran Church
675 W Vandament Ave, Yukon, OK
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Sunday Worship @ 10:15 AM
Office Hours: M-F 9AM-12PM

Christmas
CANDLELIGHT
SERVICE

5 & 7 PM



ALTAR
flowers



Advent:
(Nov 30 –
Dec 24)

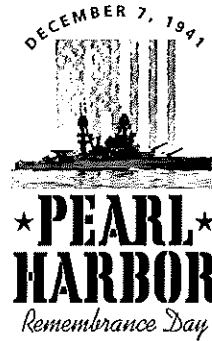
The first
season of

the church year, Advent, is
a preparatory time of
waiting and watching.
Blue, the color of the sky,
helps to convey this
message of hope – hope
that Christ, who came in
the form of a human child,
will also return on the last
day from the blue sky he
ascended long ago.

The length of the Advent
season is the four Sundays
before Christmas. At
home and at church, we
use an Advent wreath with
four candles, lighting one
each Sunday until the birth
of the Christ child.

Music during Advent may
include songs such as “O
Come, O Come,
Emmanuel,” “On Jordan’s
Bank the Baptist’s Cry,”
and “Come, Thou Long-
Expected Jesus.”

In remembrance of the
Pearl Harbor attack.



**DEC Eternal
Candle: In memory of
Steve Green,
sponsored by Paula.**



**If you're able,
please bring
cookies/candy
between
Dec 14-19**

for the Living
Nativity & our
homebound friends.

**12/21 after worship; let's share the
sweetness this season, bring cookies/
candy to taste and share! Plus, we'll
assemble cookie packages for our
homebound friends.**



**Monthly general expenses
average \$33,426.....
supporting missions, utilities,
insurance, payroll,
office supplies...**

**November 2025
General giving \$33,2923
Special giving \$2714**


**Church Nursery
available Sundays!
during worship!**

QR code; scan me!



Pastor Mark's Remarks – December 2025
“Repentance is to Prepare the Way for more than you Realize”

“[John the Baptist said] I baptize you in water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you in the Holy Spirit and fire.
 Matthew 3:11

Some basic starting points:

1. We don't figure out how to get ourselves to God, we give him access to get to us.
2. We don't cleanse ourselves to please God, he cleanses us to bless us.
3. God's plans are not just to cleanse us from our junk. He baptizes us in the Holy Spirit to lead us into the fullness of our identity and purpose.

John comes to invite us into a repentance which frees us from the negative of our sin. Jesus comes to invite us into a repentance which leads us into the positive of all God created us to be and do.

After 400 years of prophetic silence where people traded intimacy with God for rules and rituals, the voice of God speaks once again through John the baptist. There is such a hunger to hear God that people from all over the place come out to the wilderness to hear him speak.

In many ways, his message is the message of Dr Phil – “So how is it working for you?” The obvious answer is that people are tired and discouraged, feeling like God is silent and it's not working for them very well.

That is the extent of John's purpose. He is simply there to get people to admit that things are not working and they need to repent of their sin and brokenness. He can help them see what is wrong, but that is not the end of what God is up to.

John says there is one coming after him who will not just help them admit and get rid of the negative.

The one coming after him will baptize them with (literally “in”) the Holy Spirit and fire. This one will go way beyond getting rid of the negative. He will bring healing, equipping, gifts, identity, power, purpose and intimacy with God which will move them way past the negative and into the fullness of the positive God has for them.

God is up to way more than just forgiving our sins and making it so we can go to heaven when we die. Once our sins are forgiven, his plans are to live in us through the Holy Spirit, give us spiritual gifts, draw us into communities of faith, lead us into our identity and purpose, and work through us to bring his kingdom into the world.

I don't know about you, but I want the fullness of what he wants for me. So, I repent of my sin and ask him to cleanse and heal me in ways I can't manage on my own. And, I repent of my low expectations and ask him to fill me with the life, love, power, intimacy and purpose of God.

Wednesday Dinner and Bible Study – ONLY
December 3 and December 17 at 6:30

We continue studying what Lutherans believe, using the Augsburg Confession as our study material. The Augsburg Confession was prepared to present the views of the newly formed Lutheran church in 1530. Pastor Mark has family in town for Nathan's wedding on December 10, and we will not meet that night, and we will not meet December 24 or 31 because of Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

Worship Planning for the Season of Epiphany (Jan 11- Feb 15) Sunday, December 14 at 9:00

The new year will be upon us soon, and with the new year comes a new season in the church year called Epiphany. We will meet at 9am on Sunday, December 14 to talk about the order of worship, music and any special emphases for the season, which begins on Sunday, January 11 and ends on Sunday, February 15. All are welcome to join us as we plan.

Christmas Eve Worship – 5:00 and 7:00pm

Celebrate Christmas Eve at RLC as we worship at 5:00 & 7:00 pm on December 24. Both services will be candlelight services with Holy Communion.

If you would like to participate in either or both of the services by doing music, reading or helping in some other way, please let Pastor Mark know.

Thanks!



Shepherd on the Search! Our shepherd, **Sherman**, is searching for participants in **The Christmas Story!** This week, he's looking for **Mary**. If you see them in the Sanctuary, pick up a prize in the fellowship hall after service. See handout learn more about **Mary!**

The second week of Advent is a time for reflection on inner peace and the peace that Christ brings to the world, which includes preparing hearts, seeking reconciliation, and embodying forgiveness. The second Sunday of Advent also involves preparing for Jesus's second coming by calling for repentance and readiness, echoing the message of John the Baptist.



**Angel Tree update:
due by Dec. 9th!**



If you are struggling with grief of a loved one, or know someone who is. Please join us as we navigate this Journey together. Contact Lori for more information.

Submit addresses for our college, trade school students, and military to receive Care Packages this fall. Please send the



Care Packages for those away from home.

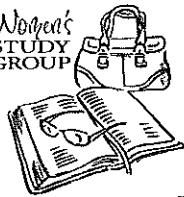
Resurrection Kids is enrolling school year 2025/26 Mon-Fri 8:30AM-4PM for MDO/



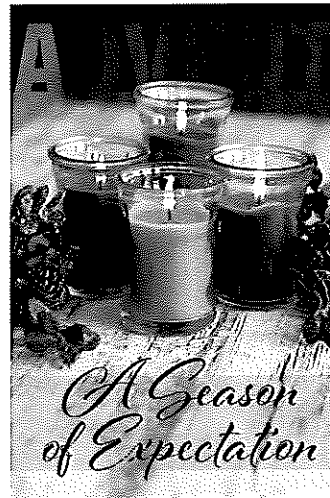
Communion Bread provided by the RLC Hand Foot Canasta Players.



Women's STUDY GROUP



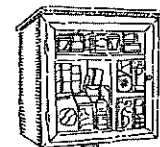
Tuesday 6:30-8 PM Contact Donna Gorrell 405.205.9385



Paint Class Sunday, 1/18, 2 PM @ RLC.

Instructor, All My H3art, retired Art Teacher Jennifer Croy. \$25 per person all supplies included. Approx. one hour long, bring a snack to share. Contact Heather Schamel or Jenifer B.

Please donate to the outdoor blessing box; easy to eat and open items please.



Free Little Pantry



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

Desiree Arbett, Pam Metscher relative, is suffering from major health complications with severe aftereffects from a diabetic coma.

Wanda Bonavida. Health concerns.

Kay, undergoing cancer treatment

Winnie Lauden, Sheri Campbell's cousin, health problems.

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

Bob Gomez, Lufkin's son-in-law, cancer treatment.

Logan Hambree, has a rare genetic disorder, Leukodystrophy.

Cindy Jacobs' family, prayers of peace and comfort.

John & Emma's nephew G, his cancer relapsed and is doing treatments again.

Linda Maune's sister, Marylou, pray for her as her kidneys are shutting down & on life support while undergoing dialysis.

Keyley McDonald. Breast Cancer.

Tamara, friend of Connie. Her 26 year old son who has epilepsy has been admitted to the hospital. He has had 7 seizures in the past 24 hours, with one lasting 4 minutes. It is the worst he's ever had and understandably, Tamara is terrified.



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Teresa Carter, Treasurer

Events

From 12/7 to 12/18/25

RLC Public Calendar
Holidays in United States

December 2025							January 2026						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6				1	2	3	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
14	15	16	17	18	19	20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Sunday, December 7

- All-Day Events
- 12/7 Nursery Available
- 12/7 Pearl Harbor Day

- Events
- 10:15AM to 11:15AM Worship

Monday, December 8

- Events
- 8:00AM to 4:00PM Res Kids

Tuesday, December 9

- Events
- 8:00AM to 3:45PM Kiddie Korral
Location: Sm Fellowship hall
- 1:00PM to 3:30PM Woman's bible study
- 6:30PM to 7:30PM Woman's Bible Study

Wednesday, December 10

- Events
- 8:00AM to 4:00PM Res Kids

Thursday, December 11

- Events
- 8:00AM to 3:45PM Kiddie Korral
Location: Sm Fellowship hall
- 5:15PM to 6:45PM Pack Committee Meeting

Friday, December 12

- Events
- 8:00AM to 4:00PM Res Kids
- 10:00AM to 11:00AM Res Kids Christmas Program

Saturday, December 13

- Events
- 9:00AM to 2:00PM Quilting
Location: large fellowship hall

- 12:00PM to 4:00PM Res Kid Staff. X-mas party
Location: Small Fellowship Hall

Sunday, December 14

- All-Day Events
- 12/14 Nursery Available
- 12/14 Welcome new members

- Events
- 9:00AM to 10:00AM Worship planning
- 10:15AM to 11:15AM Worship
- 2:00PM to 4:00PM Eck RSVP Fellowship Hall

Monday, December 15

- Events
- 8:00AM to 4:00PM Res Kids

Tuesday, December 16

- Events
- 8:00AM to 3:45PM Kiddie Korral
Location: Sm Fellowship hall
- 6:30PM to 8:00PM Cub Scout meeting
- 6:30PM to 7:30PM Woman's Bible Study

Wednesday, December 17

- Events
- 8:00AM to 4:00PM Res Kids
- 6:30PM to 8:00PM Bible study w/dinner

Thursday, December 18

- Events
- 8:00AM to 3:45PM Kiddie Korral
Location: Sm Fellowship hall
- 5:30PM to 7:00PM Senior Night Out
- 6:30PM to 7:30PM Grief Group