RLC FAMILY NEWS

ALTAR FLOWERS given today… by Patricia Gates in memory of Dave Arnell.

PRAYERS : Please be praying for … Heather Timar, Leslie Self, Audrey Cox, Patricia Jeriha, Carmen Bean, Gabriella Navarro, Norma Schwartz, Sonny Bienias, Kirkpatrick family, Jamie Bruss, Ralph Carr, Sal Meranto, Leslie Loyek, Madison Zimmerman, Steve Farstead, Jan Weeks, Mona Durgana, Kevin Irwin and family.

SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS to… Gladdie and Ron Fredrickson on the loss of Gladdie's brother.

PRAYER REQUESTS? Please contact …

Caroline Mapes (215)805-5396 or carol112786@gmail.com

FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE:

Carol Heimann (602)943-6224 or wjheimann@yahoo.com

FINANCES: NOVEMBER 2019 YTD

Income	Actual	Budgeted
General	$655,402.63	$709,789.10
Building	$132,063.25	$143,290.00
Total:	$787,465.88	$853,079.10
Expenses	**Actual**	**Budgeted**
General	$692,733.86	$748,500.58
Building	$167,965.30	$182,658.21
Total:	$860,699.16	$937,158.79

Note: Questions? Contact Jim Attwood at #480-262-0684 or jimattwood17@gmail.com

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

Worship Attendance — December 22nd — 266

Giving is another way we worship at RLC. We offer the following ways to give:

Envelope– located in the pew racks; place in offering plate or collection boxes in back of church

Online– register at www.rlc-scottsdale.org/giving

Mobile giving– download the FREE "GivePlus Church" app to give, or text a donation amount to #855-939-0226. Questions? Detailed information is at the Connection Center.

WORSHIP & STUDIES

SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

8:30am Classic Worship Building A

10:00am Modern Worship Building A

Nursery for birth to 3 years old is available at 8:30am and 10:00 services: Building C, Room 5.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

10am 4 years - 6th grade RESUMES JAN. 12TH

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES

9:00am Men's Bible Study Starbucks at Safeway

9:45am The Book of Luke **(ARNIE & SANDY REAH)**

MONDAY STUDIES -

BEING FAMILY TOGETHER **(MATT WISWALL)**
WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 6

OLD TESTAMENT STUDY **(MATT WISWALL)**
WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 6

MEN'S EVENING STUDY **(RICH JERIHA)**
WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 6

LIVING WORD OF GOD STUDY **(VAL COOKSEY)**
WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 6

TUESDAY STUDIES -

America's Christian Heritage **(STEVE ZANGLE)**
WILL RESUME ON JANUARY 7

FRIDAY STUDY

MEN'S EARLY MORNING STUDY

6:30am at Perks Restaurant, 64th St. and Greenway.

***RLC Finish Strong Challenge* for 2019**

We give thanks to those who have contributed $ 7,320 in addition to the matching funds of $15,000. We are currently at $23,320 of the $30,000 goal.

Please continue to pray into and know that together as a Church we can ENRICH many more lives for Jesus!

You may use the *Finish Strong* envelopes in the pew racks; or visit www.RLC-Scottsdale.org, click on the Giving tab and look for the ***"Finish Strong – Enriching Lives"*** option or use the Give+ mobile giving app using the same option. (*Please MEMO checks* ***Finish Strong.)***

All 2019 contributions must be in the church office by Tuesday, December 31st.

Thank you & God bless!

EVENTS– COMING SOON

1/9/20: Primetimers Luncheon, 11:30am, Golden Wok, 4651 E Cactus Road, Phoenix. Anyone 55+ is welcome to join us for good food, fellowship and conversation. Sign up at the Connection Center.

New Sermon Series begins January 12th, *"Being Family Together"*

January 12: Being Family Together Intro

January 19: Being Functional

January 26: Being Unifiers

February 2: Being Unselfish

February 9: Being Prayerful

February 16: Being Intentional

February 23: Being Thankful

2/6/20: Living Faithfully Support Group, 10:30am, Bldg C, Room 1. For anyone who has suffered the loss of a loved one, please join our group. Meets the 1st Thursday of every month. Questions? Contact Caroline Mapes at carol112786@gmail.com.

***Starting Point* series,** an opportunity for people who want to learn more about RLC and also about the basic beliefs and practices of the Christian faith. If you are interested in membership or just learning more about RLC, watch for dates of our next *Starting Point* series coming in February. This is a 4 week series, held on Sundays at 11:15am.

GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

RLC offers many paths for growth and all are published on our website, www.rlc-scottsdale.org. We invite you to become more involved in our mission of building disciples.

CHILDREN & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY MORNINGS - NO SUNDAY SCHOOL 12/29 OR 1/5

Children's Sunday School, 10am: Kids ages 4-6th grade are invited to join us in celebrating all that God IS and DOES in our life through fun, music, worship, experiments, crafts and meaningful scripture study. Check in at the kiosk in Building A. Questions? Email Anita Elco: anita@rlc-scottsdale.org.

Nursery is provided for children ages birth – 3 years old in Room 5 at 8:30 and 10am.

SUNDAY NIGHTS -

YOUTH– Jr. High & High School students– 6-7:30pm, Youth Building. Join us for music, games, food, and discussion. Our ministry seeks to help students engage the world around them through the lens of Scripture. Contact Matt Robards at mrobards@rlc-scottsdale.org for details.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT GROUPS -

Family Dinner: 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall - Resumes January 15th. Bring the family for a delicious dinner, only $2/person, and connect with others.

Be the Light: 6-6:45pm, Fellowship Hall - Resumes January 15th. Wednesday nights are getting brighter as kids in K-6th grade build friendships and serve others.

4Twelve: 6-7:30pm, Building D – Resumes January 8th.

Jr. High students are invited to deepen their faith and grow in their relationship with Christ. Questions? Contact Pastor Matt Wiswall at matt@rlc-scottsdale.org

Adult Bible Study: 6-6:45pm, Room 1 - Resumes January 15th. Led by Pastor Matt Robards.

Parents: Make sure you are staying connected - Check out RLC Children's Ministry Shutterfly site for the latest news and upcoming events. Contact Anita Elco for questions, anita@rlc-scottsdale.org

America's Christian Heritage Class, 1/7, 6:30pm

Chiseled In Stone

Evidence Of America's Spiritual Heritage Pt 2

SERVING OTHERS

Sunshine Acres Children's Home- Drop off gently used clothing, accessories, purses, books, and wallets in the white bin near the Youth Building. Details at the Connection Center.

SERVING AT RLC

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS– If you like to greet people, serve refreshments, assist with communion, or be a friendly face to our visitors, contact Bonnie Gates, 602-321-0458 (8:30am service) or Peggy Hardy,602-882-3115 (10am service).

RLC CHOIR– If you like to sing, consider joining our choir. We love to praise God thru song and bless each other! We meet Thursdays from 7:00-8:30pm in Bldg A. Contact John Burritt at jburritt@rlc-scottsdale.org.

ALTAR FLOWERS— The 2020 flower chart is now at the Connection Center. Honor or remember someone with flowers. Please fill out the payment envelope as well!

RLC TEAMS

Meetings & classes will resume the week of January 5th, 2020.

CONNECT / COMMUNITY

PRIMETIMERS—Invites those 55+ to join us for monthly luncheons and special events. Contact **John Reinhard at 480-836-0171**

QUILTERS—Mondays, 9am-noon, open to all who want to learn**.** Questions? **Contact Eileen Canedy at 602-953-0539.**

SENIOR CARDS– **Mondays, 12:00pm**, in RLC's kitchen.

WEIGHT WATCHERS—**Mondays, 5:30pm,** Fellowship Hall. For more details contact 602-248-0303.

CARE MINISTRY TEAM– short-term, confidential spiritual care. **Contact Patti Wiese at patti@rlc-scottsdale.org.**

STEPHEN MINISTERS– confidential Christian care for those facing difficult times. Contact Leslie Loyek at 602-762-2141, or Jack Christopherson at 602-942-6959.

MEN'S MINISTRY— contact John Zatarski, 602-319-6776

WOMEN'S MINISTRY— contact Katy White, 602-510-0732

RLC RESOURCES

Website: www.rlc-scottsdale.org

Phone: 602-971-7979

Facebook: RLCScottsdale

Address: 4930 E. Greenway Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85254

PASTORAL STAFF

Pr. John Geske	**Senior Pastor**
Pr. Matt Wiswall	**Associate Pastor & Jr. High**
Pr. Matt Robards	**Family Pastor**
Pr. Dick Hamlin	**Pastor Emeritus**

RESURRECTION
LUTHERAN CHURCH

"We exist to build disciples by living out God's word, reaching out to the community, and bringing people to Christ."

December 29, 2019

Prayer of the Day: I wait. I wait for You to answer. I wait for You. I wait. My waiting is my prayer. In the pain of the waiting I feel my longing for You. I long for You to be here. I wait for Your arrival, You who has always been here. In the waiting I know a larger space in my soul is being excavated. I can feel the growing emptiness. But I know that it will be filled with Your gracious, loving presence. Make me ready to receive You. I wait.

Pr. John Geske Pr. Matt Wiswall Pr. Matt Robards