


the Resurrectionist

We are an inviting community of faith where we care for all.



My God will meet all your needs
according to the riches of his glory in
Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19

TODAY IN THE WORD



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Thank you all for a wonderful, lovely potluck! Beautiful flowers, and A+ delicious food! Everything I had to eat was outstanding. I am still working through your shower of cards, messages and gift cards. I greatly appreciate the kindness and generosity you have shown me. I plan to gather all of the cards and bind them into a hardbound book which I will treasure. This book will be a constant reminder to me of you and of the honor and privilege that it is for me to serve with you at Resurrection.

Sunday Morning 9:00 A.M. **Lifelong Learners** completed a short review of early church history. Today (July 27) we began a two-part study of Roman Catholicism which we will finish next Sunday. In the session today and during the review of early church history, we had lots of questions, in particular about hell. So, August 10, we will begin a 2-part study of hell. The Title is “**Exploring Hell.**” We’ll discover that the origins of belief in hell are as old as human civilization and have evolved over time. Our beliefs about hell are varied and still emerging. It’s interesting that a belief in hell is common to many other religions, though the term “hell” may not always be used to name the place, the belief that such a place does exist is common. What sets Christianity apart from other religions is our belief that one is consigned to hell for eternity. Other religions believe that over time, it is possible to escape hell. Have I piqued your curiosity? Join us August 10 to learn more. I do not promise that you will come away having learned all of the answers. You’re most likely to have more questions when the study ends, and you will have lots to ponder as it relates to your own faith journey.

Also, August 10, after worship 2nd **Sunday Lunch Bunch** goes to eat at the **Fountain Hill** in Grafton. This is the former “Fin Inn,” now owned and operated by the former owners of Santino’s just up the street from us. The menu has expanded way beyond seafood (a big ‘Yay’ from me since I cannot eat fish or seafood). Dan and Carol Garner have eaten there and highly recommend it. Sign up at church if you’d like to come eat with us.

Please continue to pray for **Kirk Rhea** and his wife **Audrey**. Kirk is in hospice care at the Evercare Center in Jerseyville. Evercare is the former Willow Rose Care Center. All of my family that have gone before me have been in hospice care. Hospice does excellent work and were a great help and comfort to me and my family. May it be so for Kirk and Audrey.

My little cousin, Frankie Lill Cullen Connolly has been in our prayers. She was born prematurely. After 4 weeks in the NICU in Perth, Australia, she is still in hospital, but out of NICU. She now weighs 6 lb 6 oz. I love my international family, though it’s not fun when some of them are so far away! Thank you for your prayers for Frankie.

Summer continues and it’s been hot. Hot and humid. And that’s really all that I have to say about summer. I don’t like heat. I love the other three seasons, even winter. I enjoy the cold, but certainly not the ice! I’m more than ready for Fall!

Peace to you and yours from me and my little grey cat, Lilly,
Pastor Jan





News & Updates



CPR & AED Training

YOU COULD SAVE A LIFE!

Correction to last month's announcement- -this is just an instructional training, not CPR certification.

It's been two years since the Men's Club purchased a defibrillator for our church. The time has come for us to review how to use it and provide CPR.

This training will be offered by a qualified nurse and **IT'S FREE**. Mark your calendar for **August 2 at 2:00 p.m.** A sign-up sheet can be found in the narthex.

Please contact Bill Stoutenborough with any questions at 618-465-5404



Pastor Giraud

The Celebration of Life/Memorial Service for our founding Pastor, The Rev Dr Fred C Giraud, will be **Saturday, August 9** at Trinity Presbyterian Church in University City. This is the church where Pastor Giraud and Judith were married in 1979. The time is 1pm with a reception to follow. The address is 6800 Washington Ave, University City, MO 63130.

To access the Church Sanctuary, you can use the large steps on Washington Ave. or use the purple door on the Kingsland side for access to the elevator. Street parking is available in the neighborhood.

Please RSVP to Judith Giraud judith.stl@gmail.com or 314 920-2805 to help us in our planning. Or, notify Pastor Jan and she will let Judith know that you will attend.

Pastor John-Herbert Jaffry and I are invited speakers during the Memorial Service. Pastor Jaffry was a seminarian doing his field work with Pastor Giraud when our church was founded. I met Pastor Giraud when I began my training as a Pastoral Counselor and CARE && Counseling where Pastor Giraud was a colleague of mine. Now, I am serving Resurrection, the church that he founded. ‘

Pastor Jan



Second Sunday Lunch Bunch

August 10th we return to Grafton to check out *Fountain Hill Steak and Seafood*

The previous owner of Santino's Steak and Pasta House, didn't stay retired long. He has opened, Fountain Hill Steak and Seafood House in Grafton. If you were a fan of his restaurant in Alton, you're going to love this place, because its menu is very similar. Click here to see the menu <https://www.fountain-hill.com/dinnermenu>



Please see the sign-up in the narthex for attending and offering to carpool.



- **Meeting Aug. 14th - dinner at 6, meeting at 7pm**

Thanks, Dan Garner
618-792-1777

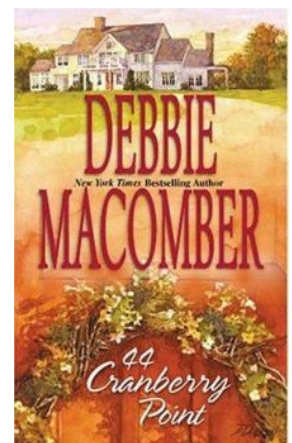
Book Club

Book Club members will meet at Bluff City Bar & Grill, 424 E. Broadway, Alton, IL, for our **August 14th dinner at 6pm**. Anyone wishing to join us for an evening of good food, fun and fellowship is certainly welcome. Please let me know if you plan to attend by Wednesday, Aug. 13th, so I can make reservations. Thanks

Vera Schultze will be the discussion leader for our meeting on September 11th. Her book of choice is 44 Cranberry Point by Debbie Macomber. Get your book request in early as most requests for this book will be coming from our area libraries.

Summary: Things haven't been the same at Peggy and Bob Beldon's Thyme and Tide B and B since a man died there. Bob had known him briefly in Vietnam... and now it appears that he was poisoned!

Ruth Wolter
618-433-1469



Community Garden

The Community Garden is producing and providing God's nurturing food for those in need.

So far this season we have harvested and donated: zucchini 16lbs, broccoli 20lbs, cauliflower 8lbs, radishes 16lbs, lettuce 45lbs, cabbage 34lbs, kale 16lbs, and beets 12lbs.

All produce has gone to the Alton Crisis Food Center and the Women's Domestic Violence Shelter. Tomatoes, sweet potatoes, green beans, cantaloupe, and cucumbers are growing, and a bountiful harvest is anticipated.

Without the labors of Bob Doerr, Jim Lieber, Del Vetter and Pat Ford, this community ministry would not be possible !

Sincerely,
Mark Groh



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May 29, 2025

Resurrection Lutheran Church
Attn: Kay Tucker, Treasurer
1211 West Homer Adams Parkway
Godfrey, IL 62035

Dear Kay:

Thank you for your contribution to the Missouri Botanical Garden as a tribute in memory of Pastor Fred Giraud. Your gift of \$250 was received on May 20, 2025. A commemorative gift to the Garden is a wonderful tribute.

This tribute connects Pastor Giraud's memory with the Garden's beauty and mission, contributes to the funding support we need to continue our work, and promotes the incredible value and potential of all plant life. The Garden's tranquil landscape provides a setting that invites remembrance and reflection. In addition, your gift will be used to care for our living collection, which the Garden utilizes to provide educational programs to more than 90,000 children each year and will also support worldwide plant research and conservation to improve the health of the planet.

The Missouri Botanical Garden is fortunate to have supporters like you to help us continue our mission to protect plants and enrich life while also paying tribute. Thank you for your generosity.

Sincerely,

Kate Gleason

Director, Membership and Development Operations | Institutional Advancement
(314) 577-5100 | kgleason@mobot.org

For tax-reporting purposes, this gift was received on May 20, 2025, and is fully deductible. The Missouri Botanical Garden did not provide any goods or services in consideration, in whole or in part, for this contribution and this letter will serve as your receipt.

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Advancement

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Des Plaines, Illinois 60018

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Thank you!

May 29, 2025

Resurrection Lutheran Church
1211 W Homer M Adams Pkwy
Godfrey, IL 62035-3345

Dear Friends in Christ,

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

Matthew 11:28

Every day, a child, adult, family, or senior turns to Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) in search of healing and a fresh start. We welcome all people from all walks of life as we set a course to help our clients become whole again.

Your gift of \$905.00 to LSSI provides hope for the over 50,000 people we serve each year. Together with your support, we help children visit their parents in prison, seniors get in-home assistance with daily chores, adults living with disabilities learn how to exercise and eat healthy, a child find a loving foster home, a person suffering addiction get treatment, and more.

We could not continue to serve so many of our neighbors without people like you making the decision to help others in their time of greatest need.

Through this simple act of generosity, you have followed the example of Christ and loved your neighbor as yourself. Your donation will help those we serve immediately and lift them up to reach their full, God-given potential.

Thank you for remembering LSSI with your gift. It is a blessing and a privilege to serve alongside you.

Peace and prayers,

David P. Novak, JD
Chief Advancement Officer

P.S. Please encourage your members to watch short videos about how they are helping to change lives. All they have to do is come to www.LSSI.org and click on the YouTube icon. We want everyone to know how your gifts are being put to work in response to the Gospel!

Highlight's from Church Council – June

REPORTS

* **Treasurer's Report:** Total offering for the month was \$14,329.50. Total income for the month was \$14,431.59. Total expenses were \$13,620.51. **The cash flow balance for the month was \$811.08.** We have a parishioner that pays quarterly, reflecting the increase in offering. Right now we also have mowing expenses of \$800-1,000 per month and rising electric bills due to summer rates and air conditioning. Our CDs (\$40,000) have earned us roughly \$1,300 in interest.

* **Pastor's Report:**

- Homebound Communion is currently down to two recipients.
- Pastor will be a speaker at the memorial for Rev. Dr. Fred Giruad on Aug. 9, 1pm.
- The Synod Interim Ministry training has moved to Sept. 16-17 in Springfield. Discover and Invite will be the topic discussed.
- Pastor is working on cleaning out her office and various file cabinets for storage of things such as our brochures and outreach materials.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

* **Property–** We will have to retract the statement about the above ground gutter pipes solving the water leaking into the sanctuary. On the week of 7/20 water came in with another heavy downpour. Council will start getting bids from landscapers reference the grading issues needing to be addressed to stop the flooding. Bob Doerr has been in contact with carpenter Richard Mosby regarding new entry doors. Richard Mosby has been to our church and given us a very reasonable verbal estimate. Bob will secure that in the form of a written estimate for council approval.

NEW BUSINESS

* **Pipe organ–** A few members, including Pastor and Russ have visited Lutheran Church of the Living Christ in Florissant, MO. They are disbanding. The building and contents are for sale, including a beautiful, hand-crafted Marin Ott pipe organ. Measurements have been taken and blue tape has been placed in our sanctuary for possible placement. Jody and Tony Kluender are doing the leg work on this project, to see if it's a viable option for us. Right now we have little to share. Costs to disassemble and reassemble the organ could be anywhere from \$5,000-30,000 depending on what's involved. The Kluender's are working with Wicks Organ Company who currently services it. Rich and Neal will need to speak to Output Unlimited in regards to upgrading our sound system with the capability to digitally record. We will update you as more pertinent information is gathered.



4 Vivian Heinemann
13 Sharon Groh
29 Kirk Rhea
Jim Heinemann
31 Charles Kelly

HAPPY
Wedding
ANNIVERSARY

10 Bruce and Vicki Baggio
16 Rod and Cheryl Margherio
22 Jim and Kathleen Lieber

If you didn't see your name listed for a Birthday or Anniversary, please email Neal Booth to be added.

FINANCIAL STATUS – June 2025

MONEY MARKET BALANCE	\$47,135.11
GENERAL FUNDS CASH FLOW	\$811.08
GENERAL FUND BALANCE	\$8,274.38
CD DEPOSITS	\$41,300.00

	<u>6/1/2025 - 6/30/2025</u>	<u>YEAR TO DATE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS DETAIL		
Income		
Offering	\$14,329.50	\$73,218.12
Lenten Offering	\$2,285.00	\$2,285.00
Advent Offering		
Other Income	\$102.09	\$2,666.79
Total General Fund Income	\$14,431.59	\$75,884.91
Expenses		
Benevolence	\$300.00	\$1,830.00
Building and Grounds	\$5,060.65	\$24,997.65
Christian Education	\$0.00	\$0.00
Evangelism	\$0.00	\$0.00
Insurance	\$570.00	\$3,420.00
Office	\$523.92	\$3,615.63
Personnel Costs	\$1,628.33	\$9,734.64
Personnel Salaries	\$5,106.01	\$32,293.39
Social Ministry	\$0.00	\$0.00
Stewardship Supplies	\$0.00	\$186.85
Worship	\$431.60	\$1,083.52
Total General Fund Expenses	\$13,620.51	\$77,161.68
General Funds Cash Flow	\$811.08	(\$1,276.77)

Expenses were higher. We had an annual subscription for Microsoft Office, mowing and power bills. We have a parishioner who pays quarterly, so that accounts for the increase in offering.



August 2025

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

<u>Rev. Jan S. Worms</u> gracious@midwest.net Office Hours by appointment					1	2 CPR & AED training 2pm
3 Lifelong Learners 9am Worship 10am	4	5 Scouts 7pm	6	7	8	9 Pastor Giraud Memorial in U. City 1pm
10 Lifelong Learners 9am Worship 10am 2nd Sunday Lunch	11	12 Scouts 7pm	13	14 Men's Club at Church 6pm Book Club at Bluff City 6pm	15	16
17 Lifelong Learners 9am Worship 10am	18 Young Hall in use 10am	19 Scouts 7pm	20	21	22	23
24 Lifelong Learners 9am Worship 10am	25	26 Scouts 7pm	27 Newsletter Deadline	28	29	30
31 Lifelong Learners 9am Worship 10am						

Rev. Jan S. Worms

CONGREGATIONAL COUNCIL

Neal Booth, President
Bob Doerr, Vice-President
Teresa Droste, Secretary
Kay Tucker, Treasurer
Vicki Baggio, Mark Groh, Wendy Reinbold,
Margie Snep, & Sherry Wyatt, *At Large Members*

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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