
Church of
The Resurrection

The mission of the Church is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ. Church of the Resurrection respects the dignity of every person and supports activities that seek to unite all humankind and elevate marginalized populations.

Sunday, September 27, 2026

Music	**Cindy**
Lector	**Betty**
Coffee Hour	**Judy**
Usher	**Sandy**


BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
All Creatures Are Welcome!
Sunday, October 4, 2026
@ 3:00 p.m.
Church of the Resurrection
6490 Clarkston Road
Clarkston, MI 48346
All pets, photos of pets, and stuffed animals are welcome to be blessed!
Dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, turtles, snakes, horses, goats, and any other animals you love!
Each creature is a gift from God

WELCOME Teri Landreth!!

Teri isthe newoffice assistant at Church ofthe Resurrection. Please stopby to meetand welcome Teri any Monday, during regular office hours, 9:30-1:30.



The Weekly Connection - Your Diocesan News Delivered
Tuesday, September 17, 2026

To view the Diocesan NewsletterCLICK HERE



Bake Sale September 24-26...
Bakers & Volunteers needed!
Please drop off bake goods on Thursday between 11:00-12:00

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Parish Prayer Requests

Susan, Nancy, Janet, Milissa, Guerin Family, Karel, Jane, Cindy, Cricket, Greg, Stemmer Family

The Departed: Scott, Elaine, Audry, Jim, Jeremy, Larry

Prayer and Flower Requests - If you would like a name added to the prayer list or if you'd like to honor someone with altar flowers, please let the office know using the forms on the round table in the narthex.

The Wellness COMPASS

A Whole-Person Mental Health & Well-Being Initiative

Holly Hughes Stoner, LMFT

Scott Stoner, LMFT

September 18, 2026



How's the Family?-Back to School & Lifelong Learning

It's back to school time, which for us means it's time to start a new season of our Wellness Compass Column and Wellness Compass Podcast. This school year, we will

focus on family wellness, in a season we're calling "How's the Family?" We're calling it that because this is a question so commonly asked when any of us gather with friends and family. We want to know how Aunt Laura is doing, or how the grandkids are doing, or how someone's parents are doing, or countless other family members and relationships are doing. We ask this question because we all know that our family relationships are key to our overall wellbeing. In fact, there are few things that impact our wellbeing more than the state of our family relationships.

Together we will celebrate the joys and reflect deeply and honestly on the challenges of family wellness throughout all the stages of life. We will not just be focusing on families who have kids in the home, as one might expect. Instead, we will focus on all stages of family life and relationships and how they change over time. So no matter your age or stage in life, there will be something in each column and podcast episode that will be relevant to you.

The two of us know much about the importance of family for two reasons. First of all, we are both marriage and family therapists, and in our four decades of work we have had the honor and privilege to talk deeply with individuals, couples, and families about their deepest longings and their deepest difficulties on a regular basis. Second, and more importantly, our family relationships are the top priority in our lives, and we know firsthand the joys and challenges, as well as the lifelong learning opportunities, that family relationships provide.

Speaking of lifelong learning… kids went back to school this month. The goal of every student is to someday graduate—whether that's from grade school, middle school, high school, or beyond. There is, however, one school from which we never graduate, and that is the school of our families. Things change over our lifetime, of course, but in the school of family, we are all lifelong learners.

As lifelong learners in the school of family life, we sometimes are the ones sitting in the teacher's chair, and other times we are sitting in the student's chair. In fact, when we work with a family that is in conflict, we simply reframe it for them as a learning opportunity. We say something like, "You are clearly facing a challenge you have never faced before, and so it's not surprising that you feel stuck and frustrated. The key is not to stay there, but to commit to the necessary learning and growth it will take to solve this problem."

When we were in the thick of the parenting years with our three children, we often said to friends, "Some days we feel like we are raising our children, and other days, we feel like they are raising us." We were growing and learning right along with them. Maintaining a humble and open attitude to growth is key to healthy relationships. We never finish—we never graduate—growing and learning in the school of family.

We will close by asking you the question that is the title of our season this year: How's the Family? And more specifically, in the "school" of your family relationships, what learning opportunities are being presented right now? In what ways are you serving as a teacher, and in what ways are you learning as a student?

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2026

***Sundays, 10:00 am - Worship service in person**

Thursday, **September 24**, 11-12a Drop baked goods Thursday-Saturday, **September 24-26**, Bake Sale
Sunday, **September 27**, 10-11a Holy Eucharist w/Rev Joe LaVela
Sunday, **October 4**, 10-11a Holy Eucharist w/Rev. Joe LaVela
Sunday, **October 4**, 3:00p Blessing of the Animals
Wednesday, **October 7**, 5:30p Outreach Meeting
Sunday, **October 11**, 10-11a Holy Eucharist w/Rev. Joe Lavela
Sunday, **October 18**, 10-11a Holy Eucharist w/Rev. Joe LaVela
Sunday, **October 25**, 10-11a Holy Eucharist w/Rev. Joe LaVela



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We meet onTuesdays @ 1pm unless the Clarkston Schools are closed because of the weather.

Don't worry if you weren't able to come today, you are always welcome at any time.

Bring a friend or neighbor with you! This is a great way to introduce them to our church. See you there!



Donate to your congregation electronically, even if they don't have their own online giving program! To make a donation to a congregation within our diocese, go to edomi.org/give. Type in your contact information. Select your congregation from the drop-down list. Once you click the donate button you will be directed to the diocese's PayPal site to complete the transaction. Donations will be sent to your congregation. If you have any questions please contact Mark Miliotto, Our Canon for Finance and CFO, at mmiliotto@edomi.org.

The Vestry Corner

The next Vestry meeting will be held on **October 19 @ 1:00,**. in person, at Church of the Resurrection. A ZOOM option will also be available.

All past vestry meeting minutes are available on Dropbox, here.

Please help with our church property's maintenance by adding anything that you observe requires attention to the Maintenance List, here.

Church of The Resurrection

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Pledge Payments and Donations

Mailing address: (checks are getting processed most weeks)
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We are currently accepting payments through PayPal..
We appreciate your support of the work of Church of the Resurrection.

Resources at COR

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AA - Sunday 7p - 9:30p
Henry (248) 931-9943
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AA - Monday 11a -Noon
Brad (313) 815-0443

Al-Anon - Calvary Lutheran on Sunday @ 6:30pm.

Ways to Help COR & the Community

Kroger Rewards # 90636
Paper Recycling - in the parking lot



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