ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JULY 5, 2026 10:00 AM

In You our fathers put their trust; they trusted and You delivered them.
Psalm 22:4

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

PRELUDE/WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: God is gracious and merciful, abounding in steadfast love.
Many: God offers compassion to all creation.
One: With all God's creation, give thanks to the Lord.
Many: With all God's creatures, great and small, we will bless the Lord.
One: In worship let us speak of God's glory and tell of God's wonder.
All: We come to praise God and seek God's peace in Jesus' name.

* HYMN: 809 (Red Hymnal) *God of Our Fathers*

PRAYER OF THE DAY
You, O God, are overflowing with love, infinite in kindness, and incomparable in glory. There is no other like you in all our imagining. Your presence breaks into our lives in the beauty of summer and refreshes us like a gentle breeze on a still day. You renew us to meet life's changes and challenges. In this time of worship, we offer thanks in our prayers, praise from our hearts, and honor with our lives, to you, our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, this day and every day, now and always. Amen.

("*" invites all who are able to stand. **Bold** indicates reading or *singing* in unison.)

CALL TO CONFESSION/PRAYER OF CONFESSION
All: Wise and patient God, you offer us peace, yet we confess life often feels frustrating and unsettled. You offer us courage, yet we are resentful when life is challenging. You offer us a mission with meaning and purpose, but we are preoccupied with our own plans and desires. Forgive us, O God, and draw our attention back to you.
(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON God guided them to their desired haven. Let them give thanks to the Lord. (Psalm 107:30-31)

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

* GLORIA PATRI 579 (Blue Hymnal) *Glory Be to the Father*
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end Amen, Amen.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING
All: Spirit of wisdom, be our guide as we listen for God's Word speaking in the Scriptures. When we are puzzled, grant us clarity. When we resist hearing, open our hearts. Renew our understanding through the grace of Christ, God's Living Word. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 7:15-25a (NRSV)
15 I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but
I do the very thing I hate. 16 Now if I do what I do not want, I agree
that the law is good. 17 But in fact it is no longer I who do it but sin that
dwells within me. 18 For I know that the good does not dwell within
me, that is, in my flesh. For the desire to do the good lies close at hand,
but not the ability. 19 For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do
not want is what I do. 20 Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer
I who do it but sin that dwells within me. 21 So I find it to be a law that,
when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. 22 For I delight
in the law of God in my inmost self, 23 but I see in my members
another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the
law of sin that dwells in my members. 24 Wretched person that I am!

Who will rescue me from this body of death? [25] Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

THE GOSPEL READING: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 (NRSV)
[16] "But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another, [17] 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.' [18] "For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; [19] the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds." [25] At that time Jesus said**, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; [26] yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. [27] All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.** [28] *"Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. [29] Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. [30] For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."*
Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Glory to You, O God

MESSAGE *But to what will I compare this generation?* said Jesus
A word by Jesus, *Wisdom is vindicated by her deeds*, A Jesus Prayer, An Invitation, *Come to Me, all you who are Weary, Take and learn from me, for I AM…* Rev. Dr. James Barnum

* ANTHEM-HYMN: *Come to the Table of Grace*
Come to the Table of GRACE,
Come to the Table of GRACE.
This is God's Table; It's not yours or mine.
Come to the Table of GRACE.

Come to the Table of … v2 ***PEACE*** *v3* ***LOVE*** *v4* ***HOPE*** *v5* ***JOY***

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING
The Lord be with you
And also with you
Lift up your hearts
We lift them to the Lord
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God
It is right to give our thanks and praise
It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
You are holy .... With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service. Great is the mystery of faith:
Christ has died, Christ is Risen, Christ will come again.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS
Because there is one loaf, we, many as we are, are one body; for it is one loaf of which we all partake. The bread of Life for God's people.
Praise be to God!
We are reminded that this cup is the cup of the new covenant; this new relationship God has invited us to partake in. The cup of the new covenant for God's people.
Praise be to God!

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
All: Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life, and renewed us for your service. Help us who have shared Christ's body and received his cup, to be faithful disciples so that our daily living may be part of the life of your kingdom, and our love by your love, reaching out into the life of the world. Amen.

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

CALL TO OFFERTORY

* DOXOLOGY
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION
Generous God, what we return to you today has first come to us from you. Bless what we offer so that those in need may taste your abundance which we know already in Christ, our Living Lord. Amen.

* HYMN: 808 (Red Hymnal) *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

BENEDICTION

* DISMISSAL *God Bless America* Berlin
Soloist - Verse: While the storm clouds gather far across the sea,
Let us swear allegiance to a land that's free,
Let us all be grateful for a land so fair,
As we raise our voices in a solemn prayer:
Congregation – Refrain: ***God bless America, land that I love,***
Stand beside her and guide her,
Through the night with the light from above.
From the mountains to the prairies, To the oceans white with foam,
God bless America, my home sweet home*.*

POSTLUDE

THE WORSHIP IS OVER, LET THE SERVICE BEGIN

Rev. Dr. James Barnum	Pastor
Dr. Gary de Sesa	Director, Ministry of Music
Dr. Natalie Naylor	Clerk of Session
Dr. Robert Gilmore	Treasurer

Kita de Sesa is our Soprano soloist.

Assisting in today's service is Ira Cooper.

Refreshments Hosts for today are Mary and Michael Matos.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Important Dates
Wed, Jul 8 12:00 PM Bible Study via Zoom

Next Sunday's scriptures:
Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Helen Lockman	Cynthia Randall
Steve Kirschman	Dawn and John de Sesa
Gary B. de Sesa	Sam Rizzo
Emmie Shoch	Regina Maria
Ray Peres	Gerry Catalanello
Sylvia McAdams	Stefania Cecchini
Family of Steven Panzella	Family of Janine Francolini
Chet Scire	William Cornell
Lawrence Topel	Willy Geddish
Jasmina & Jaiden Allen	Paula Liscio
Dr. Klaus Dittmar	

We pray for PEACE in the world and especially the Middle East and a just resolution between Iran and our country; Ukraine and Russia; along with all victims and their families from the Gaza/Lebanon-Israeli conflict and all nations that are at war. We pray for all families who are in need, and those who are grieving their loved ones.