

**ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK**

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP
SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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GATHERING IN THE LORD'S NAME

WELCOME

WELCOMING PRAYER

We gather this day in your presence, Lord. Come into our spaces today, as we welcome your Spirit into our hearts and minds for worship. Come, Holy Spirit, come!

HYMN: *Abide with Me*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION

Sustainer, we try to make room, space, for you in our life; yet, we often overlook that space. We live into this world, instead of into your kingdom. We judge and misjudge those around us. We judge and misjudge ourselves. We set standards, we fail and we blame. Give us the strength this day to overcome our own misses...please take a moment for silent reflection.

ANTHEM: *God Is Our Strength and Refuge* Coates

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 28:10-19a

SECOND READING: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

HYMN: *Spirit of the Living God*

MESSAGE *God's in Control* Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

It is with joyful hearts that we give to you, God. Help us to discern how best to use our time, talent and money to glorify you. Amen.

DOXOLOGY AND DEDICATION

*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.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

CHARGE AND BLESSING

DISMISSAL *Go Now In Peace*

THE WORSHIP IS OVER, LET THE SERVICE BEGIN

Dr. Gary de Sesa	Director, Ministry of Music
Dr. Natalie Naylor	Clerk of Session
Robert Gilmore	Treasurer
Helen Lockman	Asst. Treasurer
Dwight Dyer	Financial Secretary

We welcome again to the pulpit the Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth.

Kita de Sesa is our Soprano soloist.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Burke Masterson
Dawn and John de Sesa
The James Haefele Family
Sarah & Ralph Mastrangelo
The Zarghami Family
Joe Terramoccia & Muoio Family
Emily & Dwight Dyer

Emma Steck
Eddie Balsamo
Rev. Stark Jones
Inesa Murphy
Kelly Eickenbrock
Helen Lockman

All who are struggling due to the Coronavirus outbreak
And those who are on the front lines helping

First Reading

Genesis 28:10-19a

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹⁰ Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. ¹¹ He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. ¹² And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven; and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ And the Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; ¹⁴ and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. ¹⁵ Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." ¹⁶ Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" ¹⁷ And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven." ¹⁸ So Jacob rose early in the morning, and he took the stone that he had put under his head and set it up for a pillar and poured oil on the top of it. ¹⁹ He called that place Bethel.

Second Reading

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 **New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

²⁴ He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; ²⁵ but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. ²⁶ So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. ²⁷ And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?' ²⁸ He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' ²⁹ But he replied, 'No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. ³⁰ Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'" ³⁶ Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." ³⁷ He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; ³⁸ the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, ³⁹ and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. ⁴⁰ Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. ⁴¹ The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, ⁴² and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ⁴³ Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

HYMN
“Abide with Me”

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide!
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see.
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless:
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, Thy victory?
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom and point me to the skies:
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

HYMN
“Spirit of the Living God”

Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me;
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the Living God, fall fresh on me.

ANTHEM
“God Is Our Strength and Refuge”

- Coates

God is our strength and refuge,
Our present help in trouble,
And we therefore will not fear,
Though the earth should change!
Though mountains shake and tremble,
Though swirling floods are raging,
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!

Come, see the works of our Maker,
Learn of His deeds all-powerful:
Wars will cease across the world
When He shatters the spear!
Be still and know your Creator,
Uplift Him in the nations-
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!
God the Lord of hosts is with us evermore!
Amen!

Go Now In Peace

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of every day.

Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.

Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.

God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Amen, Amen, Amen.