

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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SERVICE OF WORSHIP
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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GATHERING IN THE LORD'S NAME

WELCOME

WELCOMING PRAYER

Gracious God, descend into our hearts and minds this day. Help us to spend these moments in time worshipping you. As we put aside the distractions of our spaces, we turn ourselves to this worship and this moment. Amen.

HYMN: 428 *In Christ There Is No East or West*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we spend so much time resisting you. We spend time in this world and consumed by this world. Yet, our Christian journey is spent trying to live for you. Forgive us when we fall short, listen to this kingdom, or leave things undone. Give us courage when we are offered an opportunity to show your kingdom, do something for you or live into our Christian journey. We lift up now our personal sins as well as the sins of the world in which we live.
(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: *Come Follow Me*

Martin arr. de Sesa

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Ruth 1:6-19a
SECOND READING: Matthew 22:15-22

MESSAGE *The Faithful Lead Us* Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

HYMN: 63 *All Creatures of Our God and King*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Holy Lord, we lift up to you the many gifts of time, talent and money that are offered to this community. Work within us and through us to do your work in this church and our world. We offer to you a bit of the blessings in our life so that more can come to know the Kingdom of God. 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

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth	Pastor
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

Kita de Sesa is our Soprano soloist.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Emma Steck
Eddie Balsamo
The James Haefele Family
The Mastrangelo Family
The Zarghami Family
Joe Terramoccia & Muoio Family
Emily & Dwight Dyer
President Donald Trump & Melania Trump

Dawn and John de Sesa
Rev. Stark Jones
Inesa Murphy
Kelly Eickenbrock
Helen Lockman
Terry Hinton
Cathy and Jason Nelson

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

First Reading

Ruth 1:6-19a

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

⁶Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the Lord had considered his people and given them food. ⁷So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. ⁸But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, “Go back each of you to your mother’s house. May the Lord deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. ⁹The Lord grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband.” Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. ¹⁰They said to her, “No, we will return with you to your people.” ¹¹But Naomi said, “Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? ¹²Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, ¹³would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the Lord has turned against me.” ¹⁴Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. ¹⁵So she said, “See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law.” ¹⁶But Ruth said, “Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will

lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God.

¹⁷Where you die, I will die—there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!”

¹⁸When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her. ¹⁹So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. When they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them; and the women said, “Is this Naomi?”

Second Reading

Matthew 22:15-22

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹⁵Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said.

¹⁶So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, “Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. ¹⁷Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?” ¹⁸But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, “Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites?

¹⁹Show me the coin used for the tax.” And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰Then he said to them, “Whose head is this, and whose title?” ²¹They answered, “The emperor’s.” Then he said to them, “Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor’s, and to God the things that are God’s.” ²²When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

HYMN

“In Christ There Is No East or West”

In Christ there is no East or West,
In Him no South or North;
But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth.

In Him shall true hearts everywhere
Their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord
Close binding humankind.

Join hands, then, brothers of the faith,
What e'er your race may be;
Who serves my Father as a son
Is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both East and West,
In Him meet South and North.
All Christly souls are one in Him
Thro'out the whole wide earth.

ANTHEM

“Come Follow Me”

- Martin arr. de Sesa

Come, faithful seeker of the Light,
My voice is calling in the night.
Walk with me: I'll be your guide.
Follow me, follow me.

Come, weary pilgrim take my hand.
I'll lift you up and help you stand.
All who seek the promised land
Follow me, come follow me.

The path is steep, the road is long,
But with my love I'll keep you strong;
Then my grace will lead you home.
Come follow me, come follow me.

Come follow me, O faithful one,
Until the final race is won,
Until the great “Amen” is sung!
Follow me, come follow me,
Until the great “Amen” is sung!
Follow me, come follow me.
Come and follow me! Follow me!

HYMN

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise Him, alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia, alleluia!
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest us both warmth and light,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye who are of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on Him cast your care,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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.