

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

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP
SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT**

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

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GATHERING IN THE LORD'S NAME

WELCOME

WELCOME PRAYER

God of Grace, we invite you into our homes and our lives. We have paused in this moment to welcome you. We gather in Word; we gather in time; we gather together through technology. Work within the spaces of our hearts, minds and bodies today to bring light into our lives. Amen.

HYMN: 399 *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: On this day, I lift up the moments in which I did not live fully into my Christian spirit this week. The times that I missed an opportunity to say something or do something. The things I left undone for the week to come. In our isolation, God, it is easy to fail to see the needs of others around us. In our isolation, Lord, it is easy to forget to ask for help. Yet we are a part of this body, the Holy Body, in the world. Help us to live, work and be better.
(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: *Household of Faith*

Lamb/Rosasco

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

SECOND READING: Romans 4:13-25

MESSAGE *Faith Matters*

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

HYMN: 630 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

This Lent, Lord, put into us hearts that truly wish to give joyfully. Help us to work within and through this world and our community to show your love. We lift up to you the gifts of time, talent and money that continue to do your work in our community. 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*

POSTLUDE

THE WORSHIP IS OVER, LET THE SERVICE BEGIN

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth
Dr. Gary de Sesa
Dr. Natalie Naylor
Robert Gilmore

Pastor
Director, Ministry of Music
Clerk of Session
Treasurer

Kita de Sesa is our Soprano soloist.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Emma Steck
Eddie Balsamo
The James Haefele Family
The Mastrangelo Family
Joe Terramoccia & Muoio Family
Emily & Dwight Dyer
Suzan Chou & Family

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

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates

Tuesday, March 7 7 PM Bible Study via Zoom

First Reading

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 **New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

⁸ When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the Lord appeared to Abram, and said to him, “I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless. ² And I will make my covenant between me and you, and will make you exceedingly numerous.” ³ Then Abram fell on his face; and God said to him, ⁴ “As for me, this is my covenant with you: You shall be the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁵ No longer shall your name be Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you the ancestor of a multitude of nations. ⁶ I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷ I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you. ¹⁵ God said to Abraham, “As for Sarai your wife, you shall not call her Sarai, but Sarah shall be her name. ¹⁶ I will bless her, and moreover I will give you a son by her. I will bless her, and she shall give rise to nations; kings of peoples shall come from her.”

Second Reading
Romans 4:13-25

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹³ For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶ For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷ as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants be.” ¹⁹ He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. ²⁰ No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² Therefore his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” ²³ Now the words, “it was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, ²⁵ who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

HYMN

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

We walk by faith and not by sight; No gracious words we hear
From Christ Who spoke as none e'er spoke; But we believe Him near.

We may not touch His hands and side, Nor follow where He trod;
But in His promise we rejoice, And cry, “My Lord and God!”

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; And may our faith abound
To call on You when You are near And seek where You are found:

That, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light
We may behold You as You are, With full and endless sight.

ANTHEM

“Household of Faith”

- Lamb/Rosasco

Here we are at the start committing to each other
By His word and from our hearts
We will be a family in a house that will be a home
And with faith we'll build it strong

We'll build a household of faith
That together we can make
And when the strong winds blow it won't fall down
As one in Him we'll grow and the whole world will know
We are a household of faith

As one in Him we'll grow and the whole world will know
We are a household of faith

HYMN

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

What a Friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry Everything to God in prayer!
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry Everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful Who will all our sorrows share?
Jesus knows our every weakness; Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden, Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge; Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends despise forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.
In His arms He'll take and shield thee; Thou wilt find a solace there.

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.