

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
140 EAST BROADWAY  
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 8, 2022

10:00 AM

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**GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD**

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: Along with all those in heaven, let us cry out together:

**Many: Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!**

One: Along with the redeemed, let us praise God with joyful hearts:

**Many: For this reason we come before the throne of God and worship the Lord day and night.**

One: Called together by the Holy Spirit, let us rejoice and sing:

**All: We will hunger and thirst no more. The Lamb will guide us to springs of the water of life. Let us worship God!**

\* HYMN: 667 (Red Hymnal) *Lord, Speak to Me*

PRAYER OF ADORATION

**God of the ages, God of today, You are compassion; our cup overflows. You are hope; you lead us into green pastures. You are truth; you lead us beside quiet streams. You are life; you restore our souls. Morning, noon and night, O God, you are the source of our joy. We gather to worship you as one family of your people,**

("\*" invites all who are able to stand. **Bold** indicates read in unison.)

**honoring you as our Creator, trusting you as our Saviour, celebrating you as the Spirit who gives us life. Amen.**

ANTHEM: *Mary, Did You Know?*

Lowry/Green

PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please remain in your seat and wave to your neighbors.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: Merciful God, we confess we stray from your ways like lost sheep. We follow the desires of our own hearts, ignoring the needs of others. We judge ourselves more generously than others. We fail to offer others the forgiveness we seek from you. We nurse grudges and cling to our own opinions. Forgive the ways we betray your love, and return us to your paths of truth and mercy.**

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

**All: God of wisdom, as we listen to your Word recorded by generations of your people, fill us with understanding by the power of your Holy Spirit. Reveal the mysteries of faith to us so that we may grow in faithfulness, following Jesus, your Living Word. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 9:36-43

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 10:22-30

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

**People: Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE *After Jesus*

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

\* HYMN: 419 (Blue Hymnal)

*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

## RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

*Josephine Gencorelli, Soraya Gage*

## WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

(Response to *Jesus, our friend and brother: Hear our prayer.*)

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

\* HYMN: 630 (Red Hymnal) *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

CALL TO OFFERTORY (We are not passing the offertory plate; please leave your donation in the offering plate as you leave.)

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Generous God, thank you for all we have received from you in Christ and in creation. Bless the gifts we bring and use them in the service of your reign of justice and peace, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Guide. Amen.**

\* 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.*

CHARGE AND BLESSING

DISMISSAL *Go Now in Peace*

POSTLUDE

## 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

Kita de Sesa is our Soprano soloist.

The Flowers today are given by Kita and Gary de Sesa in memory of their beloved mothers, Lorraine de Sesa and Kitty Bouroff.

Refreshments Host today is Helen Lockman.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Important Dates

Mon, May 9	7 PM	Bible Study via Zoom
Wed, May 11	10 AM	Bible Study In Person at Church
Tues, May 24	3 PM	Session Meeting

### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Emma Steck	Dawn and John de Sesa
Eddie Balsamo	Rev. Stark Jones
The Mastrangelo Family	Emily & Dwight Dyer
Cathy and Jason Nelson	Rhonda Liss
The Stallone Family	Sam Rizzo
Merrick Randall	Anita Catalanello
Casey DeSantis	Jeff Lovering
Melanie Bailey & Martufi Family	Edith Van Raalte
Richard and Lynn Cardozo	Marie Idone

Families of victims in Ukraine and all the Ukrainian refugees

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

### First Reading

Acts 9:36-43

**New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>36</sup> In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (in Greek her name is Dorcas); she was always doing good and helping the poor. <sup>37</sup> About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. <sup>38</sup> Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!" <sup>39</sup> Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them. <sup>40</sup> Peter sent them all

out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up.<sup>41</sup> He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called for the believers, especially the widows, and presented her to them alive.<sup>42</sup> This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord.<sup>43</sup> Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

## **Second Reading**

### **John 10:22-30**

### **New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>22</sup> Then came the Festival of Dedication at Jerusalem. It was winter,<sup>23</sup> and Jesus was in the temple courts walking in Solomon's Colonnade.<sup>24</sup> The Jews who were there gathered around him, saying, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly."<sup>25</sup> Jesus answered, "I did tell you, but you do not believe. The works I do in my Father's name testify about me,<sup>26</sup> but you do not believe because you are not my sheep.<sup>27</sup> My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.<sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.<sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand.<sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one."

### **ANTHEM**

**"Mary, Did You Know?"** - Lowry/Green

Mary, did you know that your baby boy would one day walk on water?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy would save our sons and daughters?  
Did you know that your baby boy has come to make you new?  
This Child that you've delivered, will soon deliver you.

Mary, did you know that your baby boy will give sight to a blind man?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy will calm the storm with his hand?  
Did you know that your baby boy has walked where angels trod?  
When you kiss your little baby, you kiss the face of God.

The blind will see, the deaf will hear, the dead will live again.  
The lame will leap, the dumb will speak, the praises of the Lamb!

Mary, did you know that your baby boy would be the world's great Giver?  
And your humble King would be baptized at the bank of Jordan's River?  
Did you know He had come to earth that all our sins be eased?  
And to hear His Father say to Him, "With you I am well pleased." \*

Mary, did you know that your baby boy is Lord of all creation?  
Mary, did you know that your baby boy would one day rule the nations?  
Did you know that your baby boy is heaven's perfect Lamb?  
That sleeping child you're holding is the great I AM?

Mary, did you know?

\*Additional Verse by Gary de Sesa

### **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.