

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 29, 2022

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN: 394 (Blue Hymnal) *There Is a Balm in Gilead*

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: Let every creature in heaven and on earth shout to God and sing with joy!

Many: Blessing and honor, glory and power be to our God for ever and ever!

One: Let us raise our prayers and praises to God in worship this day!

All: Blessing and honor, glory and power be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

God of glory and majesty, God of mystery and mercy, in Christ Jesus you came to live among us, sharing in our joys and sorrows. After he suffered and died for our sake, you raised him and took him up in glory so that he might fulfill all things. As our ascended Lord, he gives hope to your people in all places, in every generation and every situation. So we claim that hope this day, for ourselves and for the world you love, offering you our praise

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

and worship in the name of Jesus Christ, who now lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

* HYMN: 655 (Red Hymnal) *Sanctuary*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of mystery and mercy, You desire us to share in the unity and be one as you are Three in One. We confess that such unity often eludes us. We dwell on our differences and find reasons to criticize each other. The love you called us to offer one another disappears when we disagree. Forgive us for making our opinions and preferences into dividing lines within the body of your Church. Call us again to honor the unity and love you cherish for your followers so we may witness to unity and love in this divided world.

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: *Blessing and Glory*

Keating

WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: O God, you are the beginning and the end of all things, the First and the Last. Send your Holy Spirit to open our minds and hearts to your truth so that we may find new beginnings in Your Word, and make living your Word our purpose and end. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 16:16-34

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 17:20-26

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE *To Know Jesus*

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

* HYMN: 194 (Blue Hymnal)

Peoples, Clap Your Hands!

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN: 799 (Red Hymnal)

America the Beautiful

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

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Eternal God, we praise you that Christ has ascended to rule in love at your right hand, while the Holy Spirit continues the work of salvation throughout your creation. We offer our gifts and our lives in gratitude for that work, and dedicate them to your purposes in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. 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 to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by the Barbara Wackenhut Foundation.

Refreshments Host today is Natalie Naylor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates

Wed, Jun. 1

10 AM Bible Study In Person at Church

Wed, Jun. 8

10 AM Bible Study In Person at Church

Mon, Jun. 13

7 PM Bible Study via Zoom

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 16:16-34

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹⁶Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a female slave who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. She earned a great deal of money for her owners by fortune-telling. ¹⁷She followed Paul and the rest of us, shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who are telling you the way to be saved." ¹⁸She kept this up for many days. Finally Paul became so annoyed that he turned around and said to the spirit, "In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!" At that moment the spirit left her.

¹⁹ When her owners realized that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to face the authorities. ²⁰ They brought them before the magistrates and said, “These men are Jews, and are throwing our city into an uproar ²¹ by advocating customs unlawful for us Romans to accept or practice.” ²² The crowd joined in the attack against Paul and Silas, and the magistrates ordered them to be stripped and beaten with rods. ²³ After they had been severely flogged, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was commanded to guard them carefully. ²⁴ When he received these orders, he put them in the inner cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. ²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone’s chains came loose. ²⁷ The jailer woke up, and when he saw the prison doors open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself because he thought the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul shouted, “Don’t harm yourself! We are all here!” ²⁹ The jailer called for lights, rushed in and fell trembling before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ He then brought them out and asked, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” ³¹ They replied, “Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household.” ³² Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all the others in his house. ³³ At that hour of the night the jailer took them and washed their wounds; then immediately he and all his household were baptized. ³⁴ The jailer brought them into his house and set a meal before them; he was filled with joy because he had come to believe in God—he and his whole household.

Second Reading

John 17:20-26

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

²⁰ “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, ²¹ that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— ²³ I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. ²⁴ “Father, I want

those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world. ²⁵ “Righteous Father, though the world does not know you, I know you, and they know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I have made you known to them, and will continue to make you known in order that the love you have for me may be in them and that I myself may be in them.”

ANTHEM

“Blessing and Glory”

– Keating

Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor and power, and might be to our God, forever and ever. Amen. Amen. Amen. The Kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever. Amen. Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Christ have come. Amen. 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.