

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: Joy comes to those who follow the ways of the Lord.

Many: We will follow the Lord with joyful hearts!

One: Those who follow the Lord are like trees planted by the river,
bearing fruit each season.

Many: May our lives be fruitful and blessed by God!

One: Worship the Lord who leads us to joy and abundance.

All: Let us worship God now and for all our days.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all creation, you have opened the world around us and filled it with creatures of your love and purpose. Each one declares your praise – the mountain states your majesty; the ripened field, your generosity. Birds flying aloft sing of your freedom; the tiny ant works with your persistence. And what do we declare about you in our lives? We pray that our work will honor your justice and mercy; may our relationships speak of your love and compassion. So may we praise you, O God, not just in this hour of worship, but in all our waking and our working. Challenge us

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

today to live out the praise we offer you through the grace of Jesus Christ and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

* HYMN: 403 (Red Hymnal) *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God of justice and mercy, we offer you our love and loyalty in worship yet we admit we do not live out that love and loyalty. We don't always act on our good intentions, we fail to keep our promises, we hurt each other and then refuse to seek or offer forgiveness. People must look at us and wonder if this is what means to follow Jesus.

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: God of truth and wisdom, send us your Holy Spirit as we listen to your Word. Refresh our understanding and equip us to respond to you in love, for the sake of Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 81:1, 10-16

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Philemon 1-12

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MESSAGE *A Slave or a Brother?*

Rev. Joan Finck

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION
(Response to *God, in your mercy: Hear our prayer.*)

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN: (Insert) *God Bless America*

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

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O God, we offer these gifts to you. Bless them and use them to heal
and reshape the world you love with the Good News we celebrate
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

CHARGE AND BLESSING

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

We welcome to the pulpit the Rev. Joan Finck, filling in for Pastor
Marjory today.

We welcome Jojo Gencorelli as pianist, filling in for Dr. Gary de Sesa.

Refreshments Host today is Natalie Naylor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates

Wed, Sept. 14 10 AM Bible Study In Person Resumes

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
Merritt Randall	Anita Catalanello
Casey DeSantis	Jeff Lovering
Melanie Bailey & Martufi Family	Edith Van Raalte
Richard and Lynn Cardozo	Marie Idone
Frank Gencorelli	John Nistico
Kita Bouroff de Sesa	

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

Second Reading

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Sing aloud to God our strength; shout for joy to the God of Jacob. ¹⁰ I
am the Lord your God, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt.
Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it. ¹¹ “But my people did not
listen to my voice; Israel would not submit to me. ¹² So I gave them
over to their stubborn hearts, to follow their own counsels. ¹³ O that my
people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways! ¹⁴ Then
I would quickly subdue their enemies and turn my hand against their
foes. ¹⁵ Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, and their
doom would last forever. ¹⁶ I would feed you with the finest of the
wheat, and with honey from the rock I would satisfy you.”

Second Reading

Philemon 1-12

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, to our beloved coworker Philemon,² to our sister Apphia, to our fellow soldier Archippus, and to the church in your house:³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.⁴ I thank my God always when I mention you in my prayers,⁵ because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus.⁶ I pray that the partnership of your faith may become effective as you comprehend all the good that we share in Christ.⁷ I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother.⁸ For this reason, though I am more than bold enough in Christ to command you to do the right thing,⁹ yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love—and I, Paul, do this as an old man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus.¹⁰ I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment.¹¹ Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.¹² I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you.

God Bless America

Irving Berlin
arr. by Shelia Lee

God bless A - mer - i - ca, land that I love.

The first system of music is in 4/4 time. The treble clef staff contains the melody with lyrics: "God bless A - mer - i - ca, land that I love." The bass clef staff contains a piano accompaniment with chords: C, C, G7, G7, G7, G7, C.

8
Stand be - side her and guide her thru the night with a light from a -

The second system of music starts at measure 8. The treble clef staff contains the melody with lyrics: "Stand be - side her and guide her thru the night with a light from a -". The bass clef staff contains a piano accompaniment with chords: C7, FM, FM, C, D7, G7.

15
bove. From the moun - tains, to the prai - ries, to the o - ceans

The third system of music starts at measure 15. The treble clef staff contains the melody with lyrics: "bove. From the moun - tains, to the prai - ries, to the o - ceans". The bass clef staff contains a piano accompaniment with chords: C, C, G7, G7, C, C, G7.

22
white with foam. God bless A - mer - i - ca,

The fourth system of music starts at measure 22. The treble clef staff contains the melody with lyrics: "white with foam. God bless A - mer - i - ca,". The bass clef staff contains a piano accompaniment with chords: G7, C7, Gm/D C7/E, FM, C7/E, G7/B, CM E7/G# Am.

28
my home sweet home. home. home.

The fifth system of music starts at measure 28. The treble clef staff contains the melody with lyrics: "my home sweet home. home. home.". The bass clef staff contains a piano accompaniment with chords: Dm, C, G7, C7, Gm/D C7/E, C. The system includes a first ending (1.) and a second ending (2.).