

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 22, 2023

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

One: The Lord is our light and salvation.

Many: We will not be afraid.

One: Behold the beauty of the Lord!

Many: God will shelter us on any day of trouble and set us high upon a rock.

One: Let God's people shout for joy!

Many: For Christ calls us and claims us as his own.

All: Come and worship in unity and love; let us rejoice together!

* HYMN: 461 (Blue Hymnal) *God Is Here!*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, you shepherd us by still waters and guide us along paths of justice and peace. You send your comfort and courage to relieve our tears and fears in the shadows of death. We offer our praise in love and loyalty for you are always with us. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Merciful God, you call us to follow your way of compassion but too often we criticize each other. You call us to follow your way of peace but too often we remain divided. You call us to trust you but too often our fears and doubts overwhelm us. Forgive us, O God, and strengthen our commitment to follow your ways. Amen.

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: O God, we seek your wisdom and truth in the Scriptures. Send your Holy Spirit upon us to open our minds and hearts to receive the gift of your Word. Challenge and comfort us in what we hear, and strength us to follow Jesus, your Living Word. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 27:1-9

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 4:12-23

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

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MESSAGE *Jesus Is Calling*

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

* HYMN: 572 (Red Hymnal)

Blessed Assurance

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

(Response to *God, speak to us a word of...: Embrace us with your love.*)

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN: 267 (Blue Hymnal) *All Things Bright and Beautiful*

CALL TO OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of the fishers who first followed Jesus, you have called us to follow and here we are. We offer what we have and ask you to bless our gifts. Give us the courage we need to invite others to join us in following Jesus, our Friend and Savior. 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

Leader: Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

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

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

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 Maya Leibfreid.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Emma Steck	Dawn and John de Sesa
Eddie Balsamo	Rev. Stark Jones
The Mastrangelo Family	The Family of Dwight Dyer
Paula Liscio	Rhonda Liss
The Stallone Family	Sam Rizzo
Merritt Randall	Charlie Barba
Jeff Lovering	Edith Van Raalte
Marie Idone	John Nistico
Richard and Lynn Cardozo	Graziella Girardi
Frank Gencorelli	Sheemeza Ali
The Muoio Family	The Galluzzo Family
Paul Whelan and Family	Joyce Zanchelli
Ira Cooper	Helen Lockman
Nicole Barley	

Families of victims in Ukraine and all the Ukrainian refugees
All who are struggling due to the Coronavirus outbreak

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Dates

Tues, Jan. 24	2:30 PM	Session Meeting
Wed, Jan. 25	10 AM	Bible Study In Person
Sun, Jan. 29	11:15 AM	RPC Annual Mtg – Luncheon following

Please be advised:

The Annual Meeting of the Roslyn Presbyterian Church and Congregation will take place on **Sunday, Jan. 29 at 11:15 AM.**

Whole Church Book Club – *Look for the announcement of the Lenten Book Club, details to follow.*

Save the Date - A Piano Recital by Kexin Liu will be held at Roslyn Presbyterian Church on Sunday, February 5, 2023 at 11:45am.

First Reading

Psalm 27:1-9

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? ² When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh—my adversaries and foes—they shall stumble and fall. ³ Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident. ⁴ One thing I asked of the Lord; this I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple. ⁵ For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock. ⁶ Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord. ⁷ Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me! ⁸ “Come,” my heart says, “seek his face!” Your face, Lord, do I seek. ⁹ Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off; do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!

Second Reading

Matthew 4:12-23

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵ “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the gentiles— ¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” ¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” ¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishers. ¹⁹ And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people.” ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their

father and followed him. ²³ Jesus went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

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.