

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN: 3 (Red Hymnal) *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

One: The Lord rules over the earth in majesty and mystery.

Many: We praise God's awesome name!

One: The Lord loves justice and calls us together in equity.

Many: We come to honor God's purposes with love and loyalty.

One: The Christ of glory shines in this place.

All: With the Spirit's power, we will lift our voices in prayer and praise!

* HYMN: 462 (Blue Hymnal) *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*

PRAYER OF ADORATION

God of grace and wonder, you reveal your presence in so many different ways. Your glory glistens on snowy mountain tops and sparkling streams. Your mercy moves in classroom conversations and bedside prayers. Your word of comfort frees us from fear; your voice can transform our doubts. We come before you in worship to dwell in your goodness and seek your truth, as we offer all praise and honor to you, with Christ and the Holy Spirit, One God, mighty and merciful, now and always. Amen.

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

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, we confess we sometimes mistake our own desires for your will. We are reluctant to hear a word that challenges our assumptions. We seek assurances that we are right, and resist insights from the experience of others. Forgive us, O God. Shape our will to yours, so we can dwell more closely with you and with one another.

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: *Jesus Is My Song of Grace*

Martin

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: God of Word and Wisdom, your Spirit inspired the authors of Scripture with faithfulness in their day. Send us your Holy Spirit as we listen to the Scriptures in our time. Give us fresh understanding and a vision of how to live out your wisdom in the example of Christ, your living Word. Amen.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 24:12-18

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 17:1-9

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE *Respond*

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

* HYMN: 139 (Red Hymnal) *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION
(Response to *God of the human family: **Hear our prayers for your world.***)

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN: (Insert) *May the God of Hope Go with Us*

CALL TO OFFERTORY

* 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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of love that transforms lives, we offer our gifts in gratitude for all we have received in Christ, your beloved Son. Take our gifts and transform them into acts of love that will bless the world in his name. 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 honor of James Haefele.

Refreshments Host today is Helen Lockman.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Dates

Wed, Feb. 22	No Bible Study In Person
Wed, Feb. 22	Ash Wednesday Service Available Online
Tues, Feb. 28	2:30 PM Session Meeting
Wed, Mar. 1	7 PM 'Jesus Christ Superstar' Zoom

We will be participating in a "**Sacred Cinema Lenten Film Fest**" as part of a Shared Ecumenical Season of Lent with other area Presbyterian churches (Bellmore, Syosset, Merrick, Baldwin, Oceanside and Roslyn), **Wednesday nights at 7 pm via Zoom** (link to be sent on day of event). Each week, a clergy member will introduce a movie clip with some queries for reflection for our Lenten journey.

March 1: 'Jesus Christ Superstar'

March 8: 'Jerry & Marge' (Pastor Marjory to lead)

March 15: 'Prince of Egypt'

March 22: 'Up' or 'Big Fish'

March 29: 'Babette's Feast'

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Emma Steck	Dawn and John de Sesa
Eddie Balsamo	Rev. Stark Jones
The Family of Dwight Dyer	The Stallone Family
Sam Rizzo	Merritt Randall
Charlie Barba	The Family of Edith Van Raalte
Marie Idone	Richard and Lynn Cardozo
Graziella Girardi	Frank Gencorelli
Sheemeza Ali	Paul Whelan and Family
Joyce Zanchelli	Nico Barley
Agatina D'Aria	Emmie Shoch
Adele Martuffi	Dr. Ralph & Judy Mastrangelo
John Nistico	Nora Shimmel

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

First Reading

Exodus 24:12-18

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain and wait there; I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction."¹³ So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up onto the mountain of God.¹⁴ To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come back to you. Look, Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them."¹⁵ Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain.¹⁶ The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud.¹⁷ Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites.¹⁸ Moses entered the cloud and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Second Reading

Matthew 17:1-9

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves.² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became bright as light.³ Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.⁴ Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will set up three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah."⁵ While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"⁶ When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear.⁷ But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid."⁸ And when they raised their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.⁹ As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

ANTHEM

"Jesus Is My Song of Grace"

- Martin

This is my story, this is my song
From the heights of heaven's glory to the depths of earth's despair
Came a love song in the darkness, came a song beyond compare
And from a humble stable God sang His lullaby
A song of peace, a song of joy, the music of the skies.

This shall be my alleluia. This shall be my highest praise
Let my every word and deed proclaim it
Let me sing it all my days
This shall be my benediction. This shall be my dying phrase.
This shall be my alleluia. Jesus is my song of grace.

From the golden streets of heaven to the shores of Galilee
Came a love song for all people, the music of eternity.
And from a wooden cross God sang His song of grace
And filled the world with the sound of hope and everlasting praise

This shall be my alleluia. This shall be my highest praise
Let my every word and deed proclaim it
Let me sing it all my days
This shall be my benediction. This shall be my dying phrase.
This shall be my alleluia. Jesus is my song of grace!

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.