

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
140 EAST BROADWAY  
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
SPECIAL HYMN SING SERVICE

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

10:00 AM

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**GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD**

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

**WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: Give thanks to the Lord for God is good.

**Many: We will call on God's name and make known God's wonderful works.**

One: Seek the Lord continually.

**Many: We will watch and listen for signs of God's grace.**

One: Together let us worship God.

**All: We will rejoice in God's presence and praise God's holy name.**

\* HYMN: 343 (Red Hymnal) *Amazing Grace*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God of all creation, you open the world around us and fill it with creatures of your love and purpose. The wonder of each creature declares your praise –the mountains state your majesty; the ripened field, your generosity; the oceans your power and the skies your grandeur. Birds flying aloft sing of your freedom; the tiny ant works with your persistence. And what do we declare about**

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

**you in our lives? We pray that our work will honor your justice and mercy; and 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. May we live your praise. Amen.**

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

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

\* HYMN: 635 (Red Hymnal) *In the Garden*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: God, you are the giver of all good gifts, yet our generosity is often limited. We complain about our lot. We compare ourselves to others and see what they have that we lack. We share some of what we have, but we worry about running short. Forgive us our worries about tomorrow and give us generous hearts that trust in you day by day.**

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\* HYMN: 340 (Red Hymnal) *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

**All: Holy God, your thoughts are not our thoughts, and your ways are not our ways. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed, guide us by your Spirit, so that our thoughts and our ways are transformed by your grace, through Christ, your Living Word. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 16:2-15

\* HYMN: 642 (Red Hymnal) *Abide With Me*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45

\* HYMN: 87 (Red Hymnal) *Fairest Lord Jesus*

THIRD SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 20:1-16

\* HYMN: 151 (Red Hymnal) *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

FOURTH SCRIPTURE READING: Philippians 1:21-30

\* HYMN: 553 (Red Hymnal) *Nearer, My God, to Thee*

**WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED**

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION  
(Response to *God our Maker: **Make us a sharing people.***)

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

\* HYMN: 342 (Red Hymnal) *Rock of Ages*

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

**Generous God, you are the source of all good things, of life itself and all that sustains it. Bless the gifts we offer and the gifts of fellow Presbyterians this day. By your Spirit, multiply their impact to support your purposes in the world you love in the name of Christ, our Savior and Friend. Amen.**

CHARGE AND BLESSING

DISMISSAL *Go Now in Peace*

POSTLUDE

**THE WORSHIP IS OVER, LET THE SERVICE BEGIN**

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

Dr. Gary de Sesa

Dr. Natalie Naylor

Robert Gilmore

Pastor

Director, Ministry of Music

Clerk of Session

Treasurer

Natalie Naylor and Ira Cooper will be assisting in the service.

Refreshments Host for today is Maya Leibfreid.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Upcoming Dates**

Wed, Sept. 27

No Bible Study

Thurs, Sept. 28

4 PM Session Meeting

Sun, Oct. 1

10 AM World Communion Sunday

For World Communion Sunday, we will be joining in the round for a special service. Invite someone to join.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Katie Zarghami

Emily Dyer

Jojo Gencorelli

George Aridas

Richard and Lynn Cardozo

Emma Steck

Nora Shimmel

Dawn and John de Sesa

Rev. Stark Jones

Joyce Zanchelli

Eddie Balsamo

Sam Rizzo

Charlie Barba

The Catalanello Family

Graziella Girardi

Sheemeza Ali

Paul Whelan and Family

Nico Barley

Emmie Shoch

Dr. Ralph & Judy Mastrangelo

John Nistico

Jeff Lovering

Regina Maria

Rhonda Liss

Paula Liscio

Jennifer Galluzzo

The Stallone Family

Elizabeth Bienz

Ray Peres

Jennifer Monda

Jeanette Schramm

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

**Exodus 16:2-15****New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>2</sup>In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the Lord’s hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death.” <sup>4</sup>Then the Lord said to Moses, “I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days.” <sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you will know that it was the Lord who brought you out of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you will see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?” <sup>8</sup>Moses also said, “You will know that it was the Lord when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the Lord.” <sup>9</sup>Then Moses told Aaron, “Say to the entire Israelite community, ‘Come before the Lord, for he has heard your grumbling.’” <sup>10</sup>While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the Lord appearing in the cloud. <sup>11</sup>The Lord said to Moses, <sup>12</sup>“I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, ‘At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the Lord your God.’” <sup>13</sup>That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread the Lord has given you to eat.

**Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45****New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. <sup>2</sup>Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. <sup>3</sup>Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. <sup>4</sup>Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always. <sup>5</sup>Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and

the judgments he pronounced, <sup>6</sup>you his servants, the descendants of Abraham, his chosen ones, the children of Jacob. <sup>37</sup>He brought out Israel, laden with silver and gold, and from among their tribes no one faltered. <sup>38</sup>Egypt was glad when they left, because dread of Israel had fallen on them. <sup>39</sup>He spread out a cloud as a covering, and a fire to give light at night. <sup>40</sup>They asked, and he brought them quail; he fed them well with the bread of heaven. <sup>41</sup>He opened the rock, and water gushed out; it flowed like a river in the desert. <sup>42</sup>For he remembered his holy promise given to his servant Abraham. <sup>43</sup>He brought out his people with rejoicing, his chosen ones with shouts of joy; <sup>44</sup>he gave them the lands of the nations, and they fell heir to what others had toiled for— <sup>45</sup>that they might keep his precepts and observe his laws. Praise the Lord.

**Matthew 20:1-16****New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. <sup>2</sup>He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup>“About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the marketplace doing nothing. <sup>4</sup>He told them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ <sup>5</sup>So they went. “He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. <sup>6</sup>About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, ‘Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?’ <sup>7</sup>“‘Because no one has hired us,’ they answered. “He said to them, ‘You also go and work in my vineyard.’” <sup>8</sup>“When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, ‘Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.’ <sup>9</sup>“The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. <sup>10</sup>So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. <sup>11</sup>When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. <sup>12</sup>‘These who were hired last worked only one hour,’ they said, ‘and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.’ <sup>13</sup>“But he answered one of them, ‘I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn’t you agree to work for a denarius?’ <sup>14</sup>Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. <sup>15</sup>Don’t I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are

you envious because I am generous?’<sup>16</sup> “So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

**Philippians 1:21-30**      **New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>21</sup> For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me. Yet what shall I choose? I do not know! <sup>23</sup> I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; <sup>24</sup> but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body. <sup>25</sup> Convinced of this, I know that I will remain, and I will continue with all of you for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup> so that through my being with you again your boasting in Christ Jesus will abound on account of me. <sup>27</sup> Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ. Then, whether I come and see you or only hear about you in my absence, I will know that you stand firm in the one Spirit, striving together as one for the faith of the gospel <sup>28</sup> without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you. This is a sign to them that they will be destroyed, but that you will be saved—and that by God. <sup>29</sup> For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe in him, but also to suffer for him, <sup>30</sup> since you are going through the same struggle you saw I had, and now hear that I still have.

**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.