

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 3, 2024

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN: 563 (Red Hymnal) *Open My Eyes That I May See*

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: The heavens are telling the glory of God.
Many: With earth and sky, let us proclaim God's handiwork.
One: The law of the Lord revives the soul.
Many: We seek God's wisdom in our worship.
One: Let the words of our mouths and the meditation of our hearts
be acceptable to you, O God,
**All: For you are our rock and redeemer, and so we praise
you!**

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God of majesty and mercy, you set the whirling cosmos in motion
and call all creatures into being. Mountains and molehills alike
speak of your majesty, for no detail misses your care and
attention. You know each of us by name, and make yourself
known to those who seek you. We gather in your presence to listen
for your wisdom for our times and our lives. To you, O God, our**

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

**Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer, we offer all honor and glory in
our prayers and our praise this day and every day, now and
always. Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE
(Please remain in your seat and wave to your neighbors.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
**All: Wise and welcoming God, you are always seeking us out, yet
we confess we are easily distracted from your presence. We envy
those who are successful in the world's terms, and pursue our own
desires. We fail to question the cost of our desires to the earth or
those in need. Forgive us, O God. Re-awaken us to your purposes
and re-ignite our commitment to pursue them for the sake of Jesus
Christ, our Lord.**
(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM: *The Cup* Larson

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING
**All: God of wisdom, you speak through the Law and the prophets
to teach us how to live. Send us your Holy Spirit to teach us truth
for our times and wisdom for our lives, through Christ, your life-
giving Word. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Exodus 20:1-17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 2:13-22

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

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MESSAGE *Working through Lent* Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

* HYMN: 314 (Red Hymnal) *What Wondrous Love Is This*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (see insert)

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

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

Lord Jesus, you challenge your followers to offer God commitment and gratitude. Receive our gifts as an expression of our commitment to you and your ministry. Use all that we can give to offer hope and healing in the world you love. Amen.

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

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.

Refreshments Host for today is Maya Leibfreid.

The Flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by the Barbara Wackenhut Foundation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates

Wed, Mar. 6	7 PM	Bible Study Via Zoom
Wed, Mar. 13	7 PM	Bible Study Via Zoom
Wed, Mar. 20	7 PM	Bible Study Via Zoom
Wed, Mar. 27	7 PM	Bible Study Via Zoom
Sun, Mar 31	10 AM	Easter Sunday Service

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Emily Dyer
Nora Shimmel
Family of Rev. Stark Jones
Eddie Balsamo
The Catalanello Family
Sheemeza Ali
Emmie Shoch
John Nistico
Regina Maria
Paula Liscio
Elizabeth Bienz
Jay Sikserz
Blake and Megan Stevason

Emma Steck
Dawn and John de Sesa
Joyce Zanchelli
Sam Rizzo
Graziella Girardi
Paul Whelan and Family
Dr. Ralph & Judy Mastrangelo
Jeff Lovering
Rhonda Liss
The Stallone Family
Ray Peres
Family of Amaliga Knavs

All victims, hostages and their families in the Israeli conflict.
We pray for peace in the Middle East.

First Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

Then God spoke all these words, ²“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before me. ⁴“You shall not make for yourself

an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me ⁶ but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷ “You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name. ⁸ “Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰ But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹ For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it. ¹² “Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. ¹³ “You shall not murder. ¹⁴ “You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ “You shall not steal. ¹⁶ “You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷ “You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

Second Reading

John 2:13-22

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹³ The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. ¹⁴ In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves and the money changers seated at their tables. ¹⁵ Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, with the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. ¹⁶ He told those who were selling the doves, “Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father’s house a marketplace!” ¹⁷ His disciples remembered that it was written, “Zeal for your house will consume me.” ¹⁸ The Jews then said to him, “What sign can you show us for doing this?” ¹⁹ Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” ²⁰ The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?” ²¹ But he was speaking of the temple of his body.

²² After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

ANTHEM **“The Cup”**

- Larson

In anguish deep the Savior prayed from dark Gethsemane.
In agony He pleaded there, “Please take this cup from me.”
What was it in the bitter cup that Jesus saw ahead?
Was pain and suffering all He saw, or was there more to dread?
”Yet not my will, but Yours,” He said with firm, but weary voice.
And with His vast, amazing love accepted mercy’s choice.
He took the sins of all the world and made them His that day,
Though He knew well that sin would turn His Father’s face away.
Could it have been that Jesus saw the wrongs that I have done
Within the cup of woe that turned the Father from His Son?
Yes, all my guilt was there the day His cross was lifted up.
For when He chose to take the drink, my sin was in the cup.
May I be willing, Lord, to bear daily my cross for thee.
Even the cup of grief to share; thou hast borne all for me.

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.