

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN: 469 (Blue Hymnal)

Morning Has Broken

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

One: We gather with joy, for Easter brings us new life.

Many: The Risen Christ is with us wherever we go.

One: Love breaks all bonds and unites us in hope.

Many: Christ has defeated death. Let us rejoice and be glad!

One: Come and worship with hearts full of praise.

All: O God, receive our grateful Hallelujahs!

ANTHEM: *Alleluia*

Fishel

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God our Maker, we praise you for all the wonders in your creation: for the detailed perfection revealed in a baby's tiny fingers, in pussy willows unzipping their jackets to greet the spring, in each rock face worn by wind and water, witnessing to your ancient design like wrinkles around an aging smile. Such details lift our hearts to praise you. So let the life, teaching and resurrection of the Risen Christ lift and instruct our hearts this day, that we may greet a new week as an occasion to discover him

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

in our midst, making all things new in the springtime of your Holy Spirit.

* HYMN: 648 (Red Hymnal) *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God our Redeemer, in raising Jesus from the dead, you showed us your power to defeat all that brings fear and sorrow to our lives. Yet we confess we are sometimes uncertain if we can trust the promise of resurrection for ourselves. Forgive us when we struggle to trust your goodness for us. Forgive us when we miss the signs of your love in our midst.

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: God of Word and Wisdom, the Risen Christ opened the minds of his friends to understand the Scriptures. Send us your Holy Spirit to open our minds to receive your truth and love which can fill our hearts and change our lives.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Acts 3:12-19

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 21:15-25

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE *Doing What We Know* Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

* HYMN: 122 (Blue Hymnal)

Thine Is the Glory

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

(Response to *In the name of Christ our Risen Lord: **Hear our 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

God our Maker, you have filled the world with so much abundance. We offer our gifts to you, knowing they are part of your abundance. Bless them and use them to bring hope and new life in Christ's name to a world that so badly needs these gifts. Amen.

* HYMN: 435 (Red Hymnal) *God of Grace and God of Glory*

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 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.

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
Marco Martufi

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
Kim Grosso
Regina Druz

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

First Reading

Acts 3:12-19

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹² When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "Fellow Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴ But you rejected the holy and righteous one and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵ and you killed the author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶ And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. ¹⁷ "And now, brothers and sisters, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸ In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹ Repent, therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

Second Reading

John 21:15-25

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."
¹⁶ A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep."
¹⁷ He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."
¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go."
¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."
²⁰ Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?"
²¹ When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about him?"
²² Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!"
²³ So the rumor spread among the brothers and sisters that this disciple would not die. Yet Jesus did not say to him that he would not die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"
²⁴ This is the disciple who is testifying to these things and has written them, and we know that his testimony is true.
²⁵ But there are also many other things that Jesus did; if every one of them were written down, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

ANTHEM

"Alleluia"

- Fishel

Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His name.
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.
He is the King of creation.
Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to his name.
Come let us praise the living God,
Joyfully sing to our Savior.
Alleluia, Alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord
Alleluia, Alleluia, give praise to His name.

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.