

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
140 EAST BROADWAY  
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 16, 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: It is good to give God thanks, to sing praises to the Most High!

Many: **We will sing for joy to God who has made us glad.**

One: Let us declare God's steadfast love in the morning,

Many: **And God's faithfulness by night.**

One: So come to worship God with thankful, joyful hearts!

All: **Let us praise God's holy name together.**

ANTHEM: *I Will Sing Glad Songs* Young

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Living God, from you come vitality, love and joy. Your peace is our companion, your love is our strength, your Son is our hope. Your Spirit nurtures tiny seeds of purpose and potential, hidden deep in the soil of life, to surprise us with new life. While the earth begins to bloom around us, we bring you our prayers and praise, trusting that your Spirit will renew in us the gifts we need to serve you. 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: Living, loving God, as we watch our gardens and our children grow, we confess we often resist the change growth can bring. We form opinions about many things – and cling to them. We fear new insights and new directions. Forgive us when we think already know enough. Grant us faith like the mustard seed, able to grow with your blessing to become a mighty sign of your lively kingdom among us.**

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\* HYMN: 401 (Red Hymnal) *The Church's One Foundation*

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

**All: God of patience and persistence, speak through the Scriptures, and inspire our growth and gratitude, so that we may be changed by what we hear. Open our minds and hearts to a fresh encounter with Christ, your Living Word. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 4:26-34

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE *Called to Trust* Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

\* HYMN: 403 (Red Hymnal) *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation*

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

(Response to *Plant seeds of your kingdom in our midst, O God.: May we bear the fruits of new life.*)

### 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 small seeds and secret growth, bless the gifts we bring to you. Use them as seeds of new life in our community and in your world. Grow results we cannot even imagine – within us, among us, because of us and beyond us, for the sake of Christ, our Living God. Amen.**

\* HYMN: 399 (Red Hymnal) *We Are God's People*

### 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 Katie Zarghami.

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Important Dates**

Tues, Jun. 18	2 PM	Session Meeting
Wed, Jun. 26	7 PM	Bible Study Via Zoom

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Emily Dyer	Emma Steck
Dawn and John de Sesa	Family of Rev. Stark Jones
Joyce Zanchelli	Eddie Balsamo
Sam Rizzo	The Catalanello Family
Graziella Girardi	Sheemeza Ali
Paul Whelan and Family	Emmie Shoch
Dr. Ralph & Judy Mastrangelo	John Nistico
Jeff Lovering	Regina Maria
Rhonda Liss	Paula Liscio
The Stallone Family	Elizabeth Bienz
Ray Peres	Jay Sikserz
Kim Grosso	Blake and Megan Stevason
Regina Druz	Marco Martufi
Family of Richard Steck	Gary de Sesa
Nico Barley	Helen Lockman

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

### **First Reading**

#### **2 Corinthians 5:6-17**

#### **New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>6</sup> So we are always confident, even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—<sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup> Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. <sup>9</sup> So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to be pleasing to him. <sup>10</sup> For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive due recompense for actions done in the body, whether good or evil. <sup>11</sup> Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade people, but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. <sup>12</sup> We are not commending

ourselves to you again but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. <sup>13</sup> For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. <sup>14</sup> For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. <sup>15</sup> And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves but for the one who for their sake died and was raised. <sup>16</sup> From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we no longer know him in that way. <sup>17</sup> So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; look, new things have come into being!

### **Second Reading**

**Mark 4:26-34**

**New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

<sup>26</sup> He also said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground <sup>27</sup> and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. <sup>28</sup> The earth produces of itself first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. <sup>29</sup> But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle because the harvest has come.” <sup>30</sup> He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? <sup>31</sup> It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth, <sup>32</sup> yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” <sup>33</sup> With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to hear it; <sup>34</sup> he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

### **ANTHEM** **“I Will Sing Glad Songs”**

- Young

I will sing glad songs to the Lord, my God  
I will sing glad songs to the Lord of hosts;  
I will sing glad songs to the Lord, my God,  
I will sing glad songs to the Lord, my King!

I will sing, I will sing, sing to the Lord,  
Sing to the Lord, sing unto the Lord!  
I will sing new songs to the Lord, my God  
I will sing new songs to the Lord, my God!

I will sing, I will sing, I will sing unto the Lord  
I will sing, I will sing, I will sing unto the Lord,  
I will sing unto the Lord!

### **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.