

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 21, 2024

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN: 74 (Red Hymnal) *Holy Is He (sung 2 times)*

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

One: In moments of anxiety, God leads us to still waters.

Many: O God, we come to you.

One: In moments of confusion, God leads us in right paths.

Many: O God, we come to hear your voice.

One: In moments of loneliness, God is with us.

Many: O God, we come, seeking your love.

One: In all our moments, God is with us.

All: So we come to praise the One who restores our lives.

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God our Maker, in summer we marvel at the world you have made, the colors of sunrise and sunset filling the horizon, the intricate beauty of flower gardens and natural parks, the quiet dignity of a river in its course, and the steadfast presence of a rock face carved over time. You show us how each small piece of your creation depends in many ways on all the others; the quality of life on the respect we offer each another. God our Maker, we join all

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

creation to bring you praise, honoring you and the relationships you have set between us all. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: God our Maker, though we marvel at your creation, we confess we often take it for granted. We prefer to live as if our lifestyles make no impact on the earth. We resist reports that tell us otherwise. We confess we don't really want to change. Yet we wonder if the way we live pleases you. Forgive us for any harm we cause the earth. Teach us how to live with love and respect for you and your whole creation.

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: Send us your Holy Spirit, O God, to prepare us to receive your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that hearing you, we may obey your will and follow your ways in the example of Jesus Christ, the Living Word. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

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MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

* HYMN: 107 (Red Hymnal) *Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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 goodness and growth, receive our gifts and gratitude for all you provide. Bless our gifts so that they may accomplish more than we can ask or imagine, for the sake of Christ, our Friend and Savior. Amen.

* HYMN: 69 (Red Hymnal) *Holy, Holy*

CHARGE AND BLESSING

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

We welcome Naomi Pan as pianist, filling in for Dr. Gary de Sesa.

Refreshments Host today is Maya Leibfreid.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Emily Dyer	Emma Steck
Dawn and John de Sesa	Joyce Zanchelli
Family of 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	Nico Barley
Helen Lockman	Cynthia Randall

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

First Reading

Ephesians 2:11-22

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹¹ So then, remember that at one time you gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision”—a circumcision made in the flesh by human hands—¹² remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us, ¹⁵ abolishing the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile both to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. ¹⁷ So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near, ¹⁸ for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, ²⁰ built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone; ²¹ in him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, ²² in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Second Reading

Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

³⁰ The apostles gathered around Jesus and told him all that they had done and taught. ³¹ He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. ³² And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. ³³ Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. ³⁴ As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he began to teach them many things. ⁵³ When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. ⁵⁴ When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him ⁵⁵ and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. ⁵⁶ And wherever he went, into villages or

cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.