

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 11, 2024

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN: 461 (Blue Hymnal) *God Is Here!*

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

(Responsive)

One: Let us bless God at all times;

Many: We will praise God's holy name.

One: Let us look to God, and be radiant;

Many: For God has delivered us from all our fears.

One: Jesus has promised whoever comes to him will never be hungry, those who believe in him will never thirst.

All: Let us taste the Bread of Life in scripture and song as we worship God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Living, giving God, you are the source of all good things. Your love reaches wider than the expanding universe, and your kindness embraces the tiny sparrow. In Christ, you offer us the Bread of Life to sustain us day by day. Through the Holy Spirit, you are present in every situation, our daily tasks and demanding challenges. And so we gather to offer you our love and loyalty, the very best of ourselves, for surely you deserve all we can offer, heart, body, mind, and soul, our living, giving God. 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, forgiving God, in Christ you promise us new life. Yet we often cling to bitter disappointments; anger can hold us hostage for years. We say one thing to someone's face and something else behind their back. Forgive us. Free us from old habits and resentments, and renew us to live according to your mercy. Amen.

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

All: God of wisdom, you teach us that we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from you. Open our minds and hearts to be nourished by your Word, speaking through the Scriptures. Strengthen us to live that Word as our daily bread. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 6:35, 41-51

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MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

* HYMN: 548 (Red Hymnal) *As the Deer*

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

(Response to *God of each life and all life: **Keep us faithful, whatever happens.***)

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, we bring our gifts to you, knowing that you have given yourself for us. Bless these gifts. Make them a source of your abundant love in the lives we touch through mission and ministry in your name. Amen.

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

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 Elisabeth Pan as pianist, filling in for Dr. Gary de Sesa.

Refreshments Host today is Soraya Gage.

PLEASE NOTE – NO SERVICE AT RPC ON 8/25:

We will visit the **First Presbyterian Church of Glen Cove, 7 North Lane, Glen Cove, NY 11542** (Pastor Lana Hurst) on **Sunday, August 25 at 10 am** in place of our regular Sunday service.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Emily Dyer
Dawn and John de Sesa
Family of 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
Helen Lockman

Emma Steck
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
Nico Barley
Cynthia Randall

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

First Reading

Ephesians 4:25-5:2 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

²⁵ So then, putting away falsehood, let each of you speak the truth with your neighbor, for we are members of one another. ²⁶ Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, ²⁷ and do not make room for the devil. ²⁸ Those who steal must give up stealing; rather, let them labor, doing good work with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. ²⁹ Let no evil talk come out of your mouths but only what is good for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. ³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. ³¹ Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice. ³² Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. 5 ¹ Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, ² and walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Second Reading

John 6:35, 41-51 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

³⁵ Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. ⁴¹ Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." ⁴² They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" ⁴³ Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. ⁴⁴ No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise that person up on the last day. ⁴⁵ It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. ⁴⁶ Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. ⁴⁷ Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. ⁴⁸ I am the bread of life. ⁴⁹ Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. ⁵⁰ This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. ⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."