

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 13, 2024

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN: 272 (Blue Hymnal) *God of the Sparrow*

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

Many: **We will worship the LORD with gladness and come into God's presence with song**

One: Know that it is the LORD God who made us, and we are God's people

Many: **We will enter God's gates with praise and thanksgiving**

All: **Let us give thanks to God this day and bless God's holy name.**

ANTHEM: *How Excellent Your Name* Jacobs

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious and Loving God, we gather in this season, struck by the colors of the leaves, the last warm breezes, birds flying south in formation. Such beauty speaks to us of your goodness and your desire to provide what each of your creatures needs. As we gather, renew our sense of gratitude for every good gift you offer us. Receive our love and gratitude, and empower us to live gratefully each and every day. 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 and loving God, we acknowledge we enjoy life with an abundance many nations cannot imagine. Yet we confess, we do not always recognize the blessings we share. We worry about our futures and ignore the present needs of those around us. Forgive us our fears and narrow vision and our failure to care for creation as you intended.

(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: Living God, you feed us not only with bread from the harvest but with your Word, which stands by us in every circumstance. Nourish us with your hope, and comfort us with your presence, as we listen for your voice speaking in the Scriptures today. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 90:12-17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 10:17-31

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE *Five Little Words* Rev. Lawrence Swensen

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

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION
(Response to *God of all goodness: Receive our prayers.*)

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

Gracious and generous God, we offer our gifts in gratitude for all we receive from your hand. Bless and multiply them, just as Jesus multiplied a few loaves and fishes to bless others. Use them so others can taste your love in our community and in your world, through the grace of Christ our Lord. Amen.

* HYMN: 790 (Red Hymnal) *We Gather Together*

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.

We welcome to the pulpit today the Rev. Lawrence Swensen.

Refreshments Hosts today are Katie Zarghami and Soraya Gage.

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Family of Emily Dyer
Helen Lockman
Dawn and John de Sesa
Sam Rizzo
Emmie Shoch
John Nistico
Regina Maria
Ray Peres
Blake and Megan Stevason
Nico Barley
Chris Foti
Jenn Gallagher

Emma Steck
Cynthia Randall
Joyce Zanchelli
Graziella Girardi
Dr. Ralph & Judy Mastrangelo
Jeff Lovering
Elizabeth Bienz
Jay Sikserz
Marco Martufi
Mike Honovich
Gerry Catalanello

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

First Reading

Psalm 90:12-17

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹² So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart. ¹³ Turn, O Lord! How long? Have compassion on your servants! ¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. ¹⁵ Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us and as many years as we have seen evil. ¹⁶ Let your work be manifest to your servants and your glorious power to their children. ¹⁷ Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper for us the work of our hands—O prosper the work of our hands!

Second Reading

Mark 10:17-31

New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

¹⁷ As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ¹⁸ Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness. You shall not defraud. Honor your father and mother.’ ” ²⁰ He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” ²¹ Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you

will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.”²² When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.²³ Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!”²⁴ And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God!²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.”²⁶ They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?”²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”²⁸ Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.”²⁹ Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for my sake and for the sake of the good news³⁰ who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life.³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

ANTHEM

“How Excellent Your Name”

- Jacobs

O Lord, our Lord, how excellent Your name is,
How excellent Your name in all the earth.
Your glory fills the heavens beyond the farthest star,
How excellent Your name in all the earth.

When I think about the heavens, the moon and all the stars,
I wonder what You ever saw in me.
But You took me and You loved me, and You've given me a crown,
And now I'll praise Your name eternally.

O Lord, our Lord, how excellent Your name is,
How excellent Your name in all the earth.
Your glory fills the heavens beyond the farthest star,
How excellent Your name in all the earth.

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.

Grace Be With You All by Michael Card

Remember to love one another And do what is pleasing to Him
Be strengthened by grace And worship in reverence and awe
The God of peace

Chorus

And grace be with you all And may the Great Shepherd of the sheep
Equip you with all things For doing His will
And grace be with you all

Forget not the sufferings of Jesus And bear the disgrace that He bore
Confessing His name, for Christ is the same
Yesterday, today and forever

Chorus 2x