

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
140 EAST BROADWAY
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 20, 2024

10:00 AM

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GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

* HYMN: (Insert) *Here in This Place (Gather Us In)*

WE PRAISE OUR GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

One: Bless the LORD, O my soul, for the Lord our God is very great.

Many: **God is clothed with honor and majesty, wrapped in brightness like a garment.**

One: God stretches out the heavens like a tent, riding on wings of the wind.

Many: **O Lord, in wisdom you have made each unique creature.**

One: With all of them, we come to praise you.

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

ANTHEM: *Majesty* Hayford

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Praise be to you, O God, for the wonders of your creation. You spin the galaxies and stretch out the seas to the furthest horizon. You lift the curtain of dawn to end the night. You give the earth its seasons and each creature its lifespan, breathing life into each precious soul. And so we come to praise you, knowing human

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

greatness is a mere shadow of yours. Breathe your Spirit into us once again, and inspire us to serve you with creativity and commitment. Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Lord Jesus Christ, you call us to walk your way in the world, serving our neighbors and loving our enemies. We confess these are not easy choices for us. We seek acknowledgement for our own achievements, and enjoy being served. Forgive us for seeking our own way rather than your way.

(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: Holy One, you are the Source of Wisdom for the ages. Send the Holy Spirit to open the Scriptures for us, so that we may grow wiser as we listen, and serve you more willingly as we live. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 10:35-45

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Marjory J. Roth

* HYMN: 421 (Blue Hymnal) *The Church of Christ in Every Age*

WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION
(Response to *God, in your deep mercy: 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

Gracious God, we offer you these gifts, small tokens of our love for you. Bless them with the power of your Holy Spirit so they may accomplish more than we can even imagine, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Friend. Amen.

* HYMN: 710 (Red Hymnal) *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

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 Robert Gilmore.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Important Dates

Wed, Oct. 30 10:30 AM Session Meeting

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 104:1-9, 24, 35c **New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great. You are clothed with honor and majesty, ² wrapped in light as with a garment. You stretch out the heavens like a tent; ³ you set the beams of your chambers on the waters; you make the clouds your chariot; you ride on the wings of the wind; ⁴ you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers. ⁵ You set the earth on its foundations, so that it shall never be shaken. ⁶ You cover it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains. ⁷ At your rebuke they flee; at the sound of your thunder they take to flight. ⁸ They rose up to the mountains, ran down to the valleys, to the place that you appointed for them. ⁹ You set a boundary that they may not pass, so that they might not again cover the earth. ²⁴ O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. ³⁵ Bless the Lord, O my soul. Praise the Lord!

Second Reading

Mark 10:35-45 **New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

³⁵ James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."
³⁶ And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" ³⁷ And

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they said to him, “Appoint us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.”³⁸ But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?”³⁹ They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized you will be baptized,⁴⁰ but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to appoint, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”⁴¹ When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John.⁴² So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them.⁴³ But it is not so among you; instead, whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant,⁴⁴ and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.⁴⁵ For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many.”

ANTHEM**“Majesty”**

- Hayford

Majesty, worship His majesty. Unto Jesus be all glory, honor and praise.
Majesty, Kingdom authority flow from his throne unto His own; His anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty; Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all Kings.

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.



1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness
2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who
3 Here we will take the wine and the wa-ter; here we will take the
4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van-ished a-way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings
yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-tory,
bread of new birth. Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters,
light years a-way: here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



brought here to you in the light of this day.
called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
call us a-new to be salt for the earth.
now is the king-dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, the
Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
Give us to drink the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to eat the
Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and



blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
proud and the strong; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly;
bread that is you; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion
make us your own; gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

The “you/your” mentioned in every stanza is never identified, but this 1979 hymn is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God’s witnesses and for God’s purposes.