

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
140 EAST BROADWAY  
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

APRIL 12, 2026

10:00 AM

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**GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD**

PRELUDE/WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

One: All things of God, all the heavens,

**Many: Worship and praise your Maker.**

One: Sun, moon and stars; wind, rain and thunder,

**Many: Worship and praise your Maker.**

One: Mountains and forests, streams and waterfalls,

**Many: Worship and praise your Maker.**

One: Creatures beneath the seas, birds throughout the skies, all that leaps or crawls, all who walk or worry or wonder,

**All: Let us worship and praise our Maker together.**

\* HYMN: 450 (Red Hymnal) *Lift High the Cross*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God, our Maker, we come giving thanks for all the wonder in your creation, the great theatre of your glory. We praise you for the detailed perfection revealed in a baby’s tiny fingers, for the wisdom and growth that comes with age, for the strength to serve you, for your glory seen in pussy willows greeting the spring, and in each rock face worn by wind and water. These details lift our hearts to praise you. So let the details of the story the Risen Christ lift our hearts this day, that we too may discover him in our midst, making all things new with the springtime of your Spirit. Amen.**

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

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

CALL TO CONFESSION/PRAAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: God our Redeemer, in raising Jesus from the dead, you showed us your power to defeat all that brings fear and sorrow to our lives. Yet in the midst of wars, both within us and in our world, when things go wrong, we confess we are sometimes uncertain how to find you. Like Thomas, we are unsure if we can trust the promise of resurrection. Forgive us when we struggle with doubt about your presence with us. Breathe your Spirit upon us and bring us the peace Christ promised.**

(Please take a moment for silent reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

\* GLORIA PATRI 579 (Blue Hymnal) *Glory Be to the Father  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end  
Amen, Amen.*

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

**All: Gracious God, as we listen to the Scripture, increase our understanding by the power of your Spirit. Shape our lives with your wisdom and inspire our love through Christ, your living Word. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9 (NRSV)

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Although you have not seen

him, you love him, and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy,<sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

## ANTHEM

THE GOSPEL READING: John 20:19-31 (NRSV)

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.”<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, “**Peace be with you.**”<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.<sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, “**Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.**”<sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “**Receive the Holy Spirit.**”<sup>23</sup> **If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.**”<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.<sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “**Peace be with you.**”<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, “**Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.**”<sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!”<sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, “**Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.**”<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book.<sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord

People: **Glory to You, O God**

MESSAGE *What is the Resurrection FOR? The Wounded Shepherd teaches us to RISE UP and help all the World to see Christ’s bearing the wounds of the World* Rev. Dr. James Barnum

## WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS FOR PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND OUR LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

\* HYMN: 108 (Blue Hymnal) *Christ Is Alive!*

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

**Giver of every good and perfect gift, in Christ we see the power of sacrifice, and trust the hope of resurrection he offers. Receive our gifts given in gratitude for all we have received in him. Bless all that we give so that his healing work in the world may continue. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

DISMISSAL *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.*

POSTLUDE

**THE WORSHIP IS OVER, LET THE SERVICE BEGIN**

Rev. Dr. James Barnum	Pastor
Dr. Gary de Sesa	Director, Ministry of Music
Dr. Natalie Naylor	Clerk of Session
Dr. Robert Gilmore	Treasurer

Kita de Sesa is our Soprano soloist.

Assisting in today's service is Ira Cooper.

Refreshments Host for today is Natalie Naylor.

Next Sunday's scriptures:

1 Peter 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Important Dates**

Wednesdays	12:00 PM	Bible Study
Wed, Apr. 15	10:00 AM	Session Meeting

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Cathy Shimmel  
Robert Gilmore  
Katie Zarghami  
Dawn and John de Sesa  
Sam Rizzo  
Emmie Shoch  
Regina Maria  
Gerry Catalanello  
Richie Miranda  
Alex Palumbo  
Family of Steven Panzella  
Marianne Wagner Rizzo  
William Cornell  
Willy Geddish

Dr. Gary de Sesa  
Helen Lockman  
Cynthia Randall  
Gary B. de Sesa  
Graziella Girardi  
Judy Mastrangelo & Family  
Ray Peres  
Sylvia McAdams  
Stefania Cecchini  
Rick Collins and Family  
Family of Janine Francolini  
Chet Scire  
Lawrence Topel

We pray for PEACE in the world and especially the Middle East and a just resolution between Ukraine and Russia along with all victims and their families from the Gaza-Israeli conflict and all nations that are at war. We pray for all families who are in need, and those who are grieving their loved ones.