

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
140 EAST BROADWAY  
ROSLYN, NEW YORK

SERVICE OF WORSHIP  
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19, 2026

10:00 AM

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**GATHERING IN COMMUNITY BEFORE GOD**

PRELUDE/WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

- \* CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)  
One: We have come from many places, following different roads.  
**Many: We come hungering for greater understanding.**  
One: We have come to hear the wisdom of Scripture.  
**Many: We come seeking companions in the faith.**  
One: We have come to discover the One revealed in the breaking of the bread.  
**Many: We come to grow as disciples of Christ.**  
**All: Come, let us worship God, made known in Christ Jesus.**

\* HYMN: 122 (Blue Hymnal) *Thine Is the Glory*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**Loving God, we gather in your Son's name this day, united by your Spirit to your followers throughout all time and space. It is amazing to remember that the stories we hear about you today have transformed so many other lives for so many centuries. It is amazing to consider how lives, not so very different from our own, carried your love from one generation to another, from one church to another, from one part of the world to another. As we join together in worship, open our eyes to new opportunities to express our love for you, and share your love in the lives we touch;**

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

**for we are your people and we praise God in your holy name. Amen.**

\* HYMN: 589 (Red Hymnal) *Here I Am, Lord*

CALL TO CONFESSION/PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**All: Week by week we open our lives before you, acknowledging ways we sometimes lose track of you. We are driven and feel busy so we let other things come before you in our lives. Changes upend us and we don't know where to turn. Forgive us when we forget that you are with us day by day. Renew us in your love, we pray. (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: Living God, you speak to us in sacred story, through friendship and conversation, in bread broken and wine poured out. Send us your Holy Spirit as the Scriptures are read. May our hearts burn within us as we encounter your truth, through Christ, our Risen Lord. Amen.**

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Peter 1:17-23 (NRSV)

<sup>17</sup> If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. <sup>18</sup> You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold <sup>19</sup> but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. <sup>20</sup> He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. <sup>21</sup> Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God. <sup>22</sup> Now that you have

purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart.

<sup>23</sup> You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

ANTHEM: *My Hope is in You* Schram  
*In you, O Lord, I lift my soul, my hope is in you all day long.*  
*To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, in you alone is my song.*  
*Show us your mercy, love and forgiveness; Guide our path each day.*  
*Show us your mercy, give us the grace to follow and obey.*  
*O, redeem us, O, redeem us, redeem us Lord.*  
*To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, my hope is in you all day long.*  
*To you, O Lord, I lift my soul, in you alone is my song.*  
*In you, alone is my song. O God of our salvation, Redeem us Lord.*

THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 24:13-35 (NRSV)

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, **Jesus himself came near and went with them,** <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, **“What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?”** They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, *“Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?”* <sup>19</sup> He asked them, **“What things?”** They replied, *“The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him.”* <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, **“Oh, how foolish you**

**are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?”** <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. <sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, *“Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.”* So he went in to stay with them.

<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, **he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him,** and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, *“Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?”* <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, *“The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!”* <sup>35</sup> **Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.**

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord

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

MESSAGE Then we know ...that *God still goes that Road with us*

Did the two on the road to Emmaus invite Jesus to join them?

Rev. Dr. James Barnum

### **WE RESPOND IN WORD AND DEED**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH A time to hear from any who care to answer the question: Have you at any time in your life invited Jesus to join you (in your time of Dedication/vows or in your Lamentations)?

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: 407 (Blue Hymnal) *Quando el Pobre - When a Poor One*

CALL TO THE GIVING OF YOUR GIFTS/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

**Generous God, you bless us with life, purpose, and opportunities to serve in the world you love. We offer you our gifts in Christ's name, not seeking greater gain, but desiring to enrich life around us with your love. 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 Jonathan Parsons.

Refreshments Host for today is Maya Leibfreid.

Next Sunday's scriptures:

Psalm 23; John 10:1-10

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Important Dates**

Wednesdays                      12:00 PM                      Bible Study

**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  
Steve & David Seeley Kirschman

We pray for PEACE in the world and especially the Middle East and a just resolution between Iran and our country; Ukraine and Russia; along with all victims and their families from the Gaza/Lebanon-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.