

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

THE WESTMINSTER CHIMES

OPENING PRAYER

Soren Kiekegaard (1813-1855)

PRELUDE

Improvisation on "Austrian Hymn"

Mitchell R. Weisiger

M. R. Weisiger

INTROIT

If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee

Sanctuary Choir

Georg Neumark

If thou but trust in God to guide thee, with hopeful heart through all thy ways, God will give strength, what e'er betide thee, to bear through the evil days. Who trust in God's unchanging love builds on the rock that nought can move.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Glory is

Leigh Sackett

Scoring the Touchdown

Making the Bestseller List

Winning the military victory

Having our legacy etched in a plaque, a building, a scholarship

These glories we seek.

But where is God's glory?

In mystery and mountain,

In dark cloud and bright light,

In words etched in stone and the Word made flesh.

May the glory of God shine on us as we worship today.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 12

ST. DENIO

Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise

*CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess before you, Holy God, that we are not much good at holiness and reverence. We like convenience, instant gratification, and maximizing efficiency. We fill our calendars to prove that we matter and justify our lives by our over-committed schedules. All the while, your people suffer, peace is sacrificed, and we miss your glorious presence. Show us how we might watch for you, undistracted and freed from making our own righteousness.

(Let us silently offer confessions that are individually ours to make.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory to the Holy Spirit, ever three and ever one. As it was in the beginning now forever. Amen!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISCIPLESHIP

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Generosity

Liz Heddleston

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 62:1-8

(p. 515 in the pew Bible)

The grass withers and the flowers fade but the word of the Lord stands forever. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children's Worship follows immediately after the children's sermon. Children ages 4 through 1st Grade may leave for Children's Worship, an age-appropriate service.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 33:12-34:4

(p. 79 in the pew Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Partial View

The Rev. Andrew C. Whaley

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Rev. Isabella Fagiani

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 270

JERUSALEM

O Lord, You Are My God and King

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

Gifts for the offering can be made by placing your offering in the plate as it is passed or by scanning the QR Code in your bulletin with your smartphone. Visit rcpres.org and click "Give Now" to learn more.

OFFERTORY

The Sanctuary Choir

God is Our Refuge

Allen Pote

God is our refuge and strength; a present help in time of trouble. Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea, through the water roars and foam, we will not fear. Come and behold the work of the Lord, the awesome acts of God. He is in the midst of his people, in all the earth. He is the Word, we are his hands, He will lead us, He is the air, we are his song, we will celebrate his presence all the day long. He is the rain, we are the stones, He will cleanse us. He is the air, we are his song, we will celebrate his presence all the day long.

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*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Meaning of Baptism

Presentation: Sylvia and Ryan Mutcheson

Children of Liz & Brock Mutcheson

Vows of the Parents & Congregation

Vows of the Children

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Baptism & Blessing

Welcome & Prayer

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 81

AUSTRIAN HYMN

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

*CHARGE & BLESSING

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 353

SOLID ROCK

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less (stanza 1)

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name. On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand; all other ground is sinking sand.

*POSTLUDE

St. Denio

Arr. J. Bert Carlson

MINISTRY MESSAGES

PRAYER REQUESTS: Dawn Blakeman, Donn Branch, Brendan Brown (Kathy and Les Brown's grandson), Karcy Clark, The Cook Family, The Cronin Family, Billy Grove, Skip Hastings, Dick Kepley, Susan Lindstrom, Tweetie Lyon, Joe McCrobie, Nancy Smith (Alan Smith's mother), Beth Snead, Roger Tims, Jill Wood, and all caregivers.

A special baptism service will take place for Daniel Owen-O'Quill on Sunday, September 18 at 2:00 PM at Smith Park on the Roanoke River.

ONLINE GIVING For those who may not remember to bring a check or cash on a Sunday, you can set up your giving to RCPC online. This can be done as a one-time or an on-going way to support our mission and ministry. You can either visit www.rcpres.org and press the "Give Now" button on the homepage or scan the QR code with your smartphone to go directly to the donation page.



BUILT ON THE ROCK Stones play an important part in the Bible, locations of divine revelation. We are in a building season at RCPC. Each person is in a building season of a life, needing foundation work, renovation, additions, etc. Here we mean scoundrels who use rocks for pillows, disciples who are solid as a rock but also dense as a rock, a tomb hewn from rock and covered by a stone at Jesus' death, and a stone that was rejected that becomes the cornerstone of our lives. How do we meet God in the rocks? What rock will be the structure for our life?

Date

Scriptures

Sermon Title

September 18 Exodus 33:12-34:4 and Psalm 62:1-8

Partial View

September 25 Matthew 16:13-20 and Psalm 81

Blockhead

October 2 Luke 6:46-49

Foundation

October 9 Matthew 27:57-61 and Isaiah 32:1-8

Cavemen

October 16 1 Peter 2:1-10 and Psalm 118:19-25

Stones Alive

DISCOVER RCPC CLASSES - SEPTEMBER 18 & 25 AT 12:15 PM

This class is intended for those new to our faith community who wish to learn more about how we make our life together in Christ. It is a great way to meet other new people in the church and listen for how God might be calling you to participate more deeply in our life together.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: SEPTEMBER 18-OCTOBER 23

CONTINENTAL CONNECTIONS: *Themes from the Life and Writings of Karl Barth and Eugene Peterson and What We Can Learn From Them*

From May through July, Andrew and family traveled through Switzerland and Montana. Andrew's study for his sabbatical was to walk through the life of Swiss theologian Karl Barth and then to see the influences of Barth upon the Presbyterian minister and Montana native Eugene Peterson. Over these six weeks, Andrew will present stories from the lives of both men, tales of his journeys into their homelands and even their homes, and draw out lessons that might generate faithful living in us in the direction of the God we meet in Jesus Christ. Teacher: Andrew Whaley / Room: Fellowship Hall

FALL BLOOD DRIVE TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4 FROM 1:30 PM- 6:00 PM

Many thanks to those who have already scheduled an appointment! If you have any questions or want to schedule an appointment please call Lillian Alexander at 540-632-8921 or email at alexanderlj@yahoo.com. You may also schedule online at REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG or by calling 1-800-RED-CROS (733-2767). Your continued support of this vital mission is appreciated!

ADULT SMALL GROUPS Our Adult Small Group lessons are based upon the Sunday sermons and scripture. Being a part of a small group is an experience rich in personal connection and spiritual growth. In small groups we discuss what is shared in worship, therefore the experience of worship is more deeply ingrained into our minds and hearts. Small Groups resume the week of September 12. Be thinking about what small group you are interested in joining. All are welcome!

- Monday 10:30 AM–12:00 PM “The Pastor’s Porch,” led by Andrew Whaley
- Tuesday 4:00 PM–5:30 PM “The Parking Lot Fools,” led by David Dixon
- Tuesday 8:00 PM–9:30 PM “Soul Sisters,” led by Emilie Biddle - meets in various homes
- Wednesday 7:00 PM–8:30 PM “The After-Dinner Crowd,” led by Leigh Sackett, Room: 102

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP WORKSHOP SEPTEMBER 18 Following Children’s Time in the Sunday worship services, children ages 4 through 1st grade experience a worship service created for a young child. This service has the same four parts of worship that are experienced in the sanctuary but it is designed for a child’s developmental level. Together we “Assemble in God’s Name,” Proclaim God’s Word,” “Give Thanks to God,” and “Go in God’s Name.” Adult and youth volunteers lead Children’s Worship. You can be a leader too. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry please come attend the Children’s Worship Workshop in the Fellowship Hall on September 18, following the 11:00 AM worship service.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY is October 2 and we need your help. We will come to the Lord’s Supper with a visual arrangement of breads from around the world. We are asking for world globes to use at this service as well as different types of natural fabrics such as silk, linen, batik, Indian cotton, and the link. Please bring your fabric and globes to the church by Wednesday, September 28 labeled with your name so that you can reclaim your items. Please plan on picking up your items after worship on October 2.

FELLOWSHIP DINNERS Fellowship Dinners this fall will happen each Wednesday from September 21-November 9 at 6:15 PM. Meals are a suggested donation of \$7 for an individual 12 years and up, \$5 for children ages 4-11, and free for 3 and younger, with a max of \$20 for a family. Please register by noon the Tuesday before each meal online at recpres.org/dinner.
Menu for September 21: Baked Spaghetti, Italian Green Beans, Salad Bar, Garlic Bread, & Vegan Veggie Spaghetti.

YOUNG ADULTS Young Adult friends are invited to have DECK CONVERSATIONS about where you believe you may find joy in young adult ministries at RCPC We will share, listen, and collaborate and ultimately form a plan that recognizes your place in life (as people in their 20s and early 30s) and strives to meet your needs as participants in a Christian community. Come join us for the conversation! *When:* Friday, September 23 at 6:30 PM *Where:* Leigh Sackett's Deck, 2728 Tillet Rd. Drinks, Dinner and rounds of Nine Square in the Air will be provided.

THIS WEEK AT RCPC

Sunday, September 18

9:00 AM Worship – Chapel
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship – Sanctuary
12:15 PM Discover RCPC
12:15 PM Children’s Worship Workshop
6:00 PM Youth Group

Monday, September 19

9:00 AM Preschool
10:00 AM Monday Morning Prayer Group
10:30 AM Small Group: “The Pastor’s Porch” – Whaley
1:00 PM Construction Committee
5:30 PM Stewardship & Finance
5:30 PM Preschool Ice Cream Social
6:30 PM Cub Scouts
7:00 PM BSA Troop 2
7:00 PM Personnel & Administration

Tuesday, September 20

9:00 AM Preschool
10:30 AM Primary Purpose: AA
4:00 PM Small Group: “The Parking Lot Fools” – Dixon
4:15 PM Worship & Music
5:30 PM Endowment Board
6:00 PM Tai Chi
7:15 PM Raleigh Court Ringers
8:00 PM Small Group: “Soul Sisters” - Biddle

Wednesday, September 21

7:00 AM Communion
9:00 AM Preschool
12:15 PM Preschool Staff Meeting/Planning
4:00 PM God Alive
6:45 PM Tenor Sectional
7:00 PM Preschool Committee
7:00 PM Small Group: “The After-Dinner Crowd” - Sackett
7:15 PM Christmas Music Rehearsal
8:00 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 22

9:00 AM Preschool
9:00 AM Hunger Mission Packing
10:00 AM Centering Prayer (St. Elizabeth’s Episcopal Church)
10:30 AM Primary Purpose: AA
4:30 PM Tai Chi
6:30 PM Hip Sober Chicks
7:00 PM Raleigh Court Neighborhood Association

Friday, September 23

9:00 AM Preschool
11:45 AM Al-Anon
5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 170
6:30 PM Young Adult Dinner at Leigh’s

Sunday, September 25

9:00 AM Worship – Chapel
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship – Sanctuary
12:15 PM Discover RCPC
6:00 PM Youth Group

Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church Roanoke, Virginia



The Church of the Open Door
11:00 AM - Sanctuary
Sunday, September 18, 2022

BUILT ON THE ROCK

The Mission of RCPC is:
To Seek Christ
To Serve Christ
To Show Christ
To Know God through Christ

Ministers
Pastor and Head of Staff
Associate Pastor
Director of Christian Education
Minister of Care
Director of Music Ministries & Organist
Preschool Director

All the People of Raleigh Court
The Rev. Andrew C. Whaley
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