

Round Hill Presbyterian Church

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April 28, 2024

Verse for Meditation:

2 Samuel 23:2

“The spirit of the LORD speaks through me, his word is upon my tongue.”

WELCOME

INTROIT

* INVOCATION

Pastor Matt Stith

HYMN

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

No. 319

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of Glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; We ignore cries for justice; We do not strive for peace.

In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your spirit, that, forgiven and renewed we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

(Now follows a brief time for silent, personal confession.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

* PRAISE: *“Gloria Patri”*

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.

* RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139:1-12

Leader: O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

People: You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.

Leader: You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

People: Even before a word is on my tongue, O LORD, you know it completely.

Leader: You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Leader: Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?

People: If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.

Leader: If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,

People: even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

Leader: If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night,”

People: even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.

* GREETING - PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM

“Down by the River to Pray”

Chancel Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 61:1-4

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; ²to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; ³to provide for those who mourn in Zion— to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit. They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory. ⁴ They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 16:12-15

¹² ‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

SERMON

“Pneumatology, part II”

Pastor Matt Stith

* Confession of Faith: Westminster Confession of Faith, chapter 34

[The Holy Spirit] is the Lord and giver of life, everywhere present, and is the source of all good thoughts, pure desires, and holy counsels in men. By him the prophets were moved to speak the word of God, and all the writers of the Holy Scriptures inspired to record infallibly the mind and will of God. The dispensation of the gospel is especially committed to him. He prepares the way for it, accompanies it with his persuasive power, and urges its message upon the reason and conscience of men, so that they who reject its merciful offer are not only without excuse, but are also guilty of resisting the Holy Spirit.

*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; on 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: "Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness"

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERING OF SELF AND SERVICE

* 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

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN: "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

BENEDICTION

* RESPONSE: *God be with you 'til we meet again,
if life's trials should confound you,
God will put His arms around you:
God be with you 'til we meet again.*

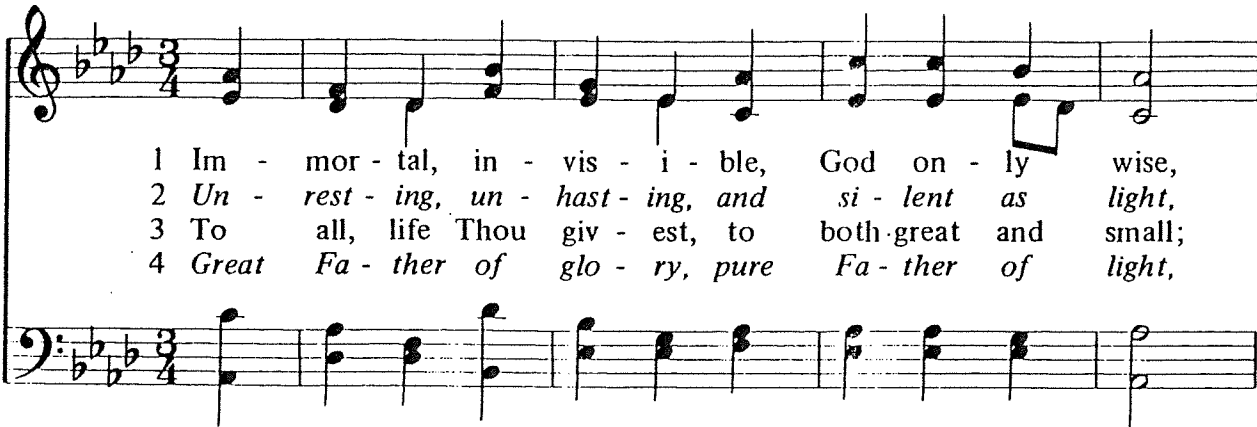
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

He that keepeth thee shall not slumber . . . or sleep.

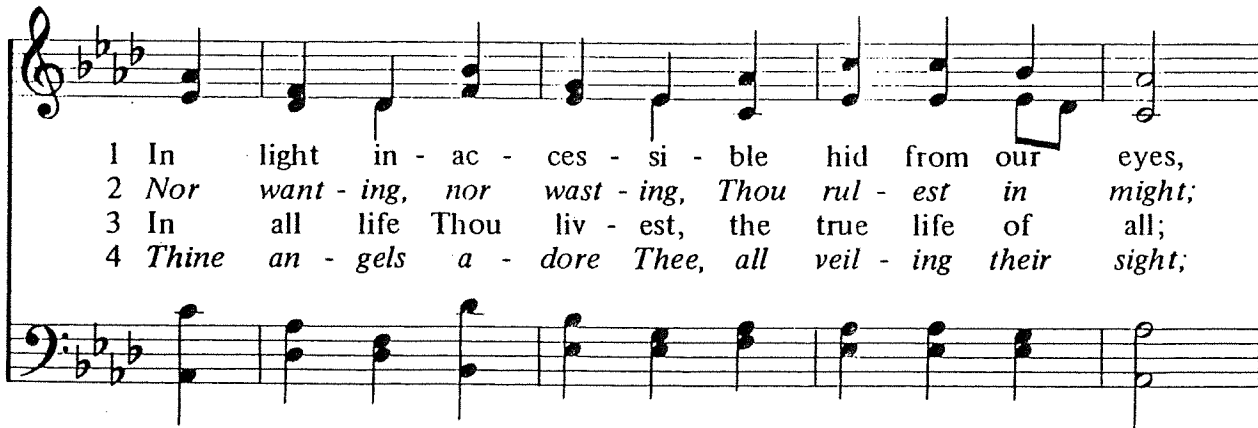
— Psalm 121: 3,4

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Welsh Melody

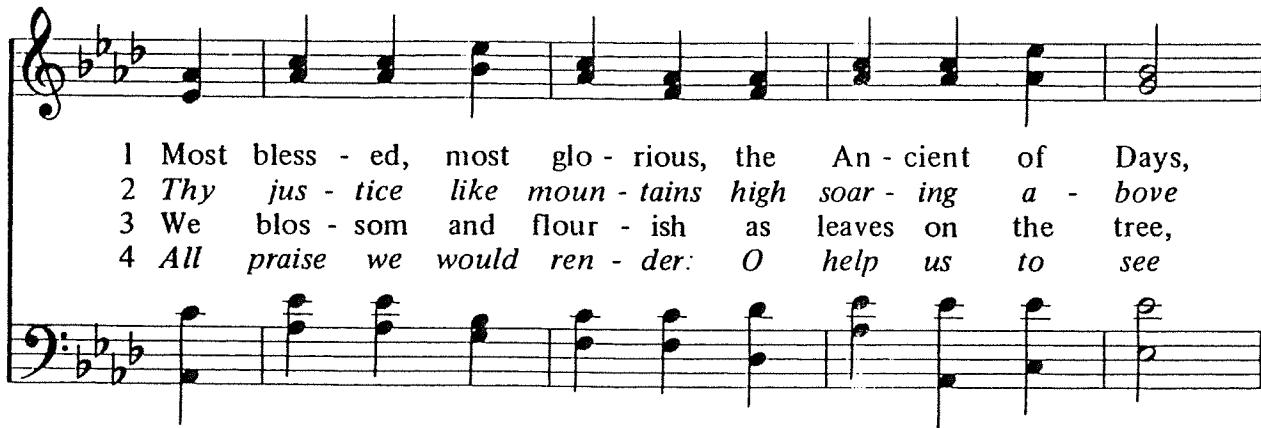
Walter Chalmers Smith



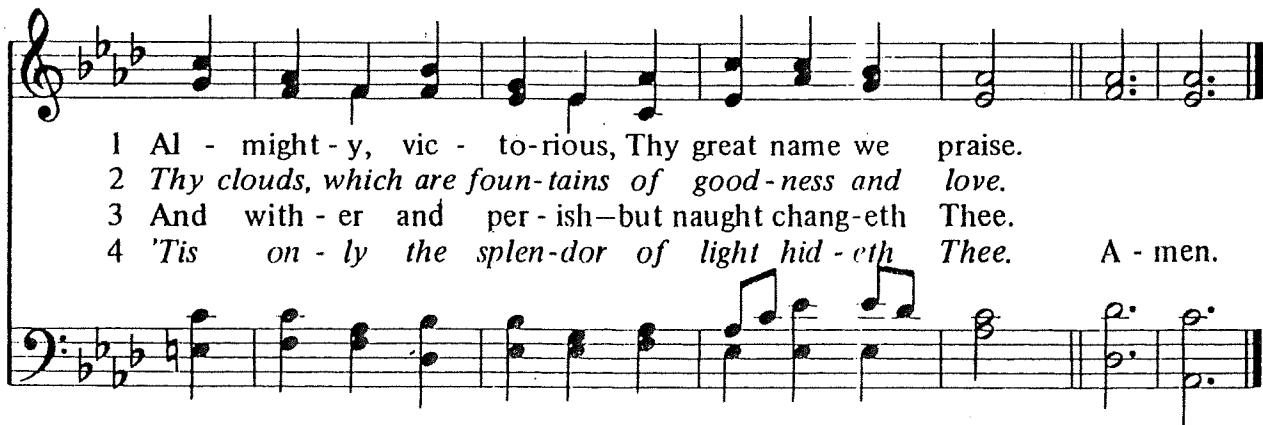
1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



1 In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 2 Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
 3 In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 4 Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight;



1 Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 2 Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 3 We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 4 All praise we would ren - der: O help us to see



1 Al - mighty, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
 2 Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 3 And with - er and per - ish—but naught chang - eth Thee.
 4 'Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee. A - men.

Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness

Refrain

D G A D Bm

Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle-ness, blow through the wil - der-ness

E A D G A D

call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest-less-ness,

Bm G A7 D G D

stir me from plac - id-ness, wind, wind on the sea.

D G A G D/F# A/E

1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.

Em7 D Bm E A

then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;

D G A G Bm D/F# D

and o - ver the re - ions you called to each thing:
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

Bm D/G Em7 A7 D A *to Refrain*

"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
 With bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

Clara H. Scott, 1895

OPEN MY EYES 8.8.9.8 with refrain

Clara H. Scott, 1895



1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see Glimps - es of truth Thou hast for me;
2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear Voic - es of truth Thou send - est clear;
3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear Glad - ly the warm truth ev - ery - where;



Place in my hands the won - der - ful key That shall un - clasp and set me free.
 And while the wave notes fall on my ear, Ev - ery - thing false will dis - ap - pear.
 O - pen my heart, and let me pre - pare Love with Thy chil - dren thus to share.

*Refrain*

Si - lent - ly now I wait for Thee, Read - y, my God, Thy will to see;



eyes,
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
 heart,



Liturgist – Bob Leggett Greeter – Janice Turek

STAFF

Pastor	Rev. Dr. D. Matthew Stith
Choir Director/Interim Music Director	Mayim Stith
Accompanist	Nancy Jo Demolin
Nursery Director	Karen Simon
Custodian	Tim Guffey
Secretary	Mary Beth Katonik

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Physical Property / Fran Hicks	Corporate Secretary / Toni Stith
President / Jackie Karnes	

DEACONS

<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Alyssa Coleman	Laurie Ferraton	Robin Lane
Barb Gaylord	Tanya Jackson	Eileen Russell
Lois Lawson	Mayim Stith	Bob Zirkle
Julius Simon		

Moderator of Deacons / Tanya Jackson & Eileen Russell

MARCH 2024

	Monthly Income	Monthly Expenses	Fund Balance Available for Use
General Funds	\$11,924.00	\$10,396.00	?
Dedicated Funds	\$923.00	\$102.00	\$43,857.00

March 2024 Income	\$11,924.00
March 2024 Expense	\$10,396.00
Net	\$1,528.00
Year-to-date Income	\$38,138.00
Year-to-date Expense	\$47,159.00
Shortfall	-\$9,021.00
2024 Per Member Asking	\$31.00



Electronic Giving Code



April 28, 2024

Intercessory Prayer Group - gathers in the C.E. building on Tuesday at 10:00 AM; open to all. We are praying for weekly prayer requests along with other concerns as led by God's Spirit.

Prayer Requests: Email dreamstogo2@gmail.com or fill in a prayer request form and place it in the offering plate. **Prayer requests for the following were received this past week; please include them in your prayers:**

Melody Coleman, Perry George, Lisa Gower, Joan & Byron Harris, Barb Keller, Lee, Mike & family, Ron & Sue Minkus, Paul, Rita Sherman, Jeff Williams

On-Going Requests: Barry Branik, Barb Cant, Steven Evans, Caleb Fritz, Frank & Sandy Hayden, New Life Options, Round Hill Home Church, Round Hill Leaders, Pastor Matt & Support Staff, Growth of the congregation of Round Hill Church, Children & Teens at RHPC, President Biden & Governing Leaders

Military: Aaron Baumann, Kat Gower, Matthew Gross, Corey Hobaugh, Noah Reed, Aerion Salas, Joram Stith, Carter Williams, Grayson Wonsettler, Samuel Wonsettler, and all those serving in the Armed Services

College Students: Kate Baron, Cody Danto, Ava Karnes, Audra Morgan, Luke Napoli, Hailey Russell, Morgan Winwood, Autumn Wright

Prayers for POA Churches: Bethany Presbyterian (Rev. White)

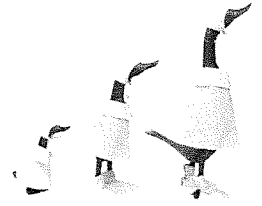
Prayers for EPC Missionaries: Greg, Elizabeth, & family, Aaron, Katie, & family (Middle East)

Always pray and never give up. – Luke 18:1



RHPC
Announcements
April 28, 2024

April



This Week at Round Hill Church

Tues. Apr. 30	Intercessory Prayer	10:00 a.m.
	RECHARGE	6:00 p.m.
	Choir Practice	7:15 p.m.
	Bible Study	7:15 p.m.
Sun. May 5	Deacons Meeting	9:00 a.m.
	Fritz Baby Shower	1:00 p.m.
	GECA Praise & Prayer	6:30 p.m.

CELEBRATE WITH TONI!



To celebrate the completion of her Ed.D in STEM Education, Toni Stith & family will be hosting a cake and punch reception in the fellowship hall after the worship service **TODAY!** All are invited to come down, socialize, and celebrate this milestone!

GECA PRAISE & PRAYER



On Sunday, May 5th, at 6:30 p.m. at 1st Presbyterian in Elizabeth, our choir will be singing, along with musicians from several area churches. Hope you will come!

YOU'RE INVITED!



Next Sunday, May 5th, at 2:00 p.m., a baby shower for Westyn Fritz (son of Kaylee & Ryan; grandson of Kevin Fritz) will be held in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a diaper table for size 1 and up.

Please RSVP to Toni Stith 701-261-0257.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

CHOIR CONCERT



RHPC choir presents "Gospel Train!" on **Tuesday, May 14th at 7:00 p.m.** Free to the public and it will be live-streamed.

Please invite your family and friends to this concert.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS



The Food Pantry is requesting **jam & jelly** for the month of May. Please place these either in the basket in the vestibule or drop them off in front of the **Food Pantry door** in the CE building. *Thank you for helping those in need!*

FLEA MARKET & BAKE SALE



On Saturday, May 11th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Wilson Presbyterian Church in Clairton (400 N. Fourth St.).

SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER



On Saturday, May 18th, from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Rehoboth Presbyterian Church (442 Rehoboth Road, Belle Vernon).

- \$10.00 for a large dinner/\$6.00 for a small dinner
- Salad, pasta with meat or marinara sauce, bread, cake, and drink
- Gluten sensitive pasta and cake available upon request