

Round Hill Presbyterian Church

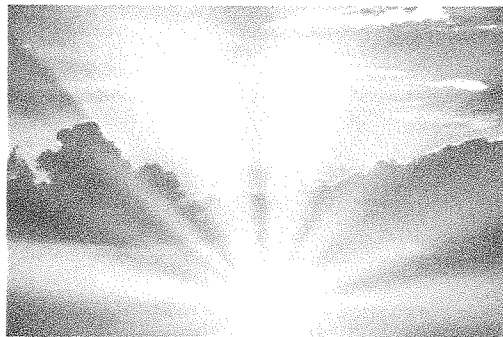
*A caring community in Christ. Making Disciples for Christ.
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May 5, 2024

Verse for Meditation:

Isaiah 12:6

“Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst
is the Holy One of Israel.”

WELCOME

INTROIT

* INVOCATION

Pastor Matt Stith

HYMN

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; that we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, with all our mind and strength; and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We ask you, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us amend what we are, and in your mercy to direct what we shall be; so that we may from now on walk in the way of your commandments and do what is pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 READINGPsalm 30:1-5

Leader: I will extol you, O LORD, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.

People: O LORD my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.

Leader: O LORD, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

People: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name.

Leader: For his anger is but for a moment; his favor is for a lifetime.

People: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

* GREETING - PASSING THE PEACE

ANTHEM

“Behold the Lamb”

Chancel Choir

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 26:16-21

¹⁶ O LORD, in distress they sought you, they poured out a prayer when your chastening was on them. ¹⁷ Like a woman with child, who writhes and cries out in her pangs when she is near her time, so were we because of you, O LORD; ¹⁸ we were with child, we writhed, but we gave birth only to wind. We have won no victories on earth, and no one is born to inhabit the world. ¹⁹ Your dead shall live, their corpses shall rise. O dwellers in the dust, awake and sing for joy! For your dew is a radiant dew, and the earth will give birth to those long dead.

²⁰ Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until the wrath is past. ²¹ For the LORD comes out from his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity; the earth will disclose the blood shed on it, and will no longer cover its slain.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 16:16-24

¹⁶ ‘A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me.’ ¹⁷ Then some of his disciples said to one another, ‘What does he mean by saying to us, “A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me”; and “Because I am going to the Father”?’ ¹⁸ They said, ‘What does he mean by this “a little while”? We do not know what he is talking about.’ ¹⁹ Jesus knew that they wanted to ask him, so he said to them, ‘Are you discussing among yourselves what I meant when I said, “A little while, and you will no longer see me, and again a little while, and you will see me”?’ ²⁰ Very truly, I tell you, you will weep and mourn, but the world will rejoice; you will have pain, but your pain will turn into joy. ²¹ When a woman is in labour, she has pain, because her hour has come. But when her child is born, she no longer remembers the anguish because of the joy of having brought a human being into the world. ²² So you have pain now; but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you. ²³ On that day you will ask nothing of me. Very truly, I tell you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you. ²⁴ Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, so that your joy may be complete.

SERMON

“A Little While”

Pastor Matt Stith

* Confession of Faith: Westminster Confession of Faith, chapter 33

Christ wants us to be completely convinced that there is going to be a day of judgment, as a deterrent to sin for everyone and as an added consolation for the godly in their suffering. He has also made sure that no one knows when that day will be, so that we may never rest secure in our worldly surroundings, but, not knowing what hour the Lord will come, we must always be alert and may always be ready to say, “Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly.” Amen.

*NICENE CREED:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* HYMN:

“What a Day That Will Be”

No. 314

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

COMMUNION INVOCATION

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Eternal God, holy and mighty, it is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, and to worship you in every place where your glory abides...

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with the heavenly choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord....

Accept this, our praise and thanksgiving, as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the one crucified and risen. Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, eternal God, now and forever. **Amen.**

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.

GIVING AND RECEIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

COMMISSIONING OF COMMUNION VISITORS

We commission you to take this bread and this cup, this body and blood, to those of our number who are unable to assemble with us, extending this table as you extend your grace and mercy. As you carry this food to them, know that you carry also our love and care. May God the Holy Spirit unite our absent brothers and sisters with us, with his church, and with his holy presence in the sharing of this communion. Go in the name of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Almighty Lord: we are thankful for all the benefits given us in this bread and cup, this body and blood. As the grain was harvested and the grapes gathered for this food, so may your church in every place be gathered into your household. And as the grain was ground and the grapes crushed, so may our lives be spent in your service, until you return in triumph to gather to yourself the harvest and call us to the marriage feast of the lamb. 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: “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee” No. 377

* 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.*

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

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Isaac Watts, 1719

Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1623; alt.
Harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Unison



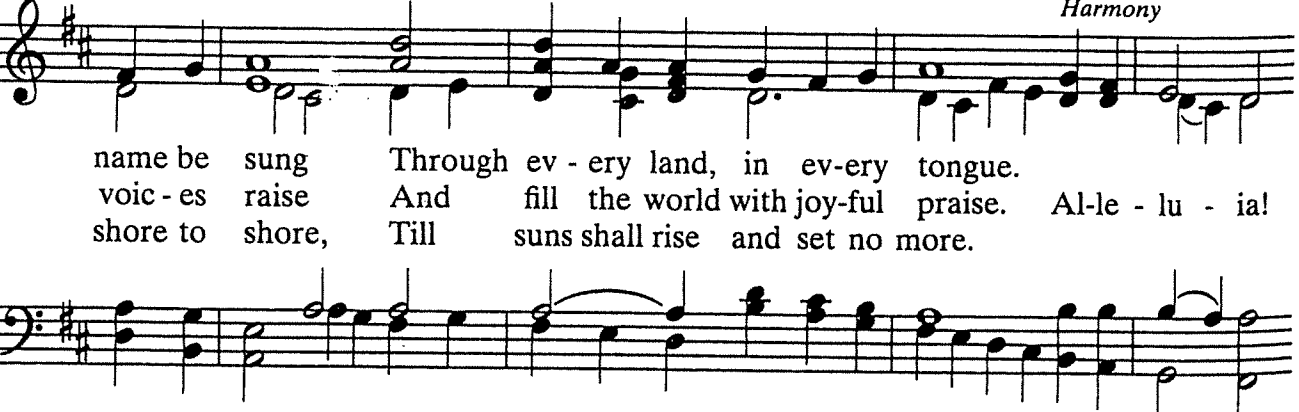
1. From all that dwell be - low the skies Let the Cre - a - tor's praise a -
2. In ev - ery land be - gin the song, To ev - ery land the strains be -
3. E - ter - nal are Thy mer - cies, Lord; E - ter - nal truth at - tends Thy

Harmony *Unison*



rise: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Let the Re - deem - er's
long: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! In cheer - ful sound all
word: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thy praise shall sound from

Harmony



name be sung Through ev - ery land, in ev - ery tongue.
voic - es raise And fill the world with joy - ful praise. Al - le - lu - ia!
shore to shore, Till suns shall rise and set no more.

Unison



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

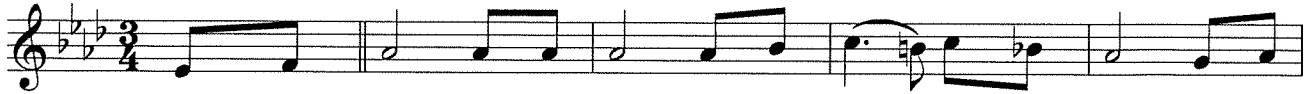
What A Day That Will Be

Words and Music by
Jim Hill

VERSE

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1. There is com - ing a day when no heart - aches shall come - No more
2. There'll be no sor - row there, no more bur - dens to bear, No more



clouds in the sky, no more tears to dim the eye. All is peace for - ev - er - more on that
sick - ness, no pain, no more part - ing o - ver there. And for - ev - er I will be with the



hap - py gold - en shore. What a day, glo - ri - ous day that will be! What a
One who died for me. What a day, glo - ri - ous day that will be! _____

CHORUS



day that will be when my Je - sus I shall see, And I look up - on His face - the One who



saved me by His grace. When He takes me by the hand and leads me thro' the Prom - ised



Land; What a day, glo - ri - ous day that will be! _____

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

But unto you . . . the sun of righteousness shall arise with healing in His wings. — Malachi 4:2

HYMN TO JOY

Ludwig van Beethoven

Adapted by Edward Hodges

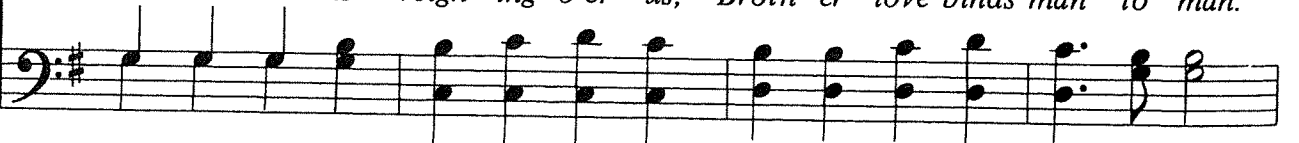
Henry van Dyke



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore Thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love;
 2 *All Thy works with joy sur-round Thee, Earth and heaven re-lect Thy rays,*
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv-ing, Ev - er bless-ing, ev - er blest,
 4 *Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus Which the morn-ing stars be-gan;*



- 1 Hearts un - fold like flowers be - fore Thee, Open - ing to the sun a - bove.
 2 *Stars and an - gels sing a - round Thee, Cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.*
 3 Well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, O - cean depth of hap - py rest!
 4 *Fa - ther love is reign - ing o'er us, Broth - er love binds man to man.*



- 1 Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, Drive the dark of doubt a - way;
 2 *Field and for - est, vale and moun-tain, Flow - ery mead - ow, flash - ing sea,*
 3 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our Broth - er— All who live in love are Thine;
 4 *Ev - er sing - ing, march we on - ward, Vic - tors in the midst of strife,*



- 1 Giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, Fill us with the light of day.
 2 *Chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, Call us to re-joice in Thee.*
 3 Teach us how to love each oth - er, Lift us to the joy di - vine.
 4 *Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun - ward In the tri - umph song of life. A - men.*



Liturgist – Bill Leggett Greeter – Bob Zirkle

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

DEACONS		
<i>Class of 2024</i>	<i>Class of 2025</i>	<i>Class of 2026</i>
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



May 5, 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:**

Terra Sandor, Judy Sheldon, Sherry, 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

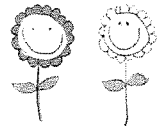
Prayers for POA Churches: Bethel Presbyterian (of Enon Valley)
(Rev. Dodds)

Prayers for EPC Missionaries: David, Lisa, and family (Asia)

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



RHPC
Announcements
May 5, 2024



MAY



This Week at Round Hill Church

Tues. May 7	Intercessory Prayer	10:00 a.m.
	RECHARGE	6:00 p.m.
	Choir Practice	7:15 p.m.
	Bible Study	7:15 p.m.
Thurs. May 9	Men's Breakfast	8:30 a.m.
	Clothes Closet	10:00 a.m.

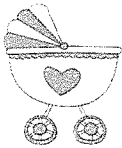
GECA PRAISE & PRAYER



THIS EVENING, at 6:30 p.m. at 1st Presbyterian in Elizabeth, our choir will be singing, along with musicians from several area churches.

Hope you'll be there!

YOU'RE INVITED!



TODAY, 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!

JOY CIRCLE



Will be meeting at Linda Leggett's (6211 Highview Dr., Rostraver), on **Thursday, May 9th, at 7:00 p.m.** If possible, please RSVP to Linda (412-901-0149) by that day. ALL women are invited!

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