

Rock Lake Presbyterian Church
Celebrating 72 years of “Shining Christ’s Light”



Lazarus & The Rich Man

Wearing a mask is optional

Welcome to Rock Lake Presbyterian Church.
We are happy to have you worship with us.

Here are a few tips to help you participate:
“*” Invites all who are able to stand.

Bold type invites reading or singing by the congregation.

Italic type invites silent reading by the congregation.

Large print hymnals are available from the usher.
Please return hymnals after the service.

September 25, 2022
Email: rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com
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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
16th Sunday after Pentecost
September 25, 2022

THE CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "My Jesus, I Love Thee" with "I Love You, Lord" Arr. Anna Laura Page

WELCOME AND THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

MINUTE FOR MISSION

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 91:15

When they call to me, I will answer them, says the Lord.

I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them.

With thanksgiving and praise, let us worship God.

*HYMN #627 "I Love You, Lord" (Sing twice)

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

... through Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD

Hymn #466 "Come and Fill Our Hearts"

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dressed in fine linen,

we feast sumptuously every day, while others long to satisfy their hunger.

We have Moses and the prophets,

yet we remain unconvinced, waiting for some human warning.

Forgive us. In your mercy, convince and comfort us, and lead us to righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Silence for personal confession. All God's people say Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Through Christ we are carried away by the angels, comforted by Father Abraham,
our hunger—satisfied,
our agony—cooled,
and our sins—forgiven.

Believe the good news; in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God!**

Sung response #535

Soloist: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

All: and all that is within me, bless God's holy name!

Soloist: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

All: and forget not all God's benefits.

Listening to the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PSALM #43

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16

All sing refrain.

(Refrain begins on 4th line)

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust." For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. *(All sing refrain)*

You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation. *(All sing refrain)*

GOSPEL

Luke 16:19-31

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Beside all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Sallie Daugherty

Responding to God

*HYMN #519

“You Are My Strength When I Am Weak”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**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. Amen.**

JOYS & CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER and 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.**

Going Forth to Serve

*HYMN #80

“You Shall Go Out with Joy”

*BENEDICTION

May the sovereign Lord bless you, may the Christ of mercy keep you, and the Holy Spirit
sustain you, in this life and the life to come. **Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.**

*POSTLUDE

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Church Notes

WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgist: Jackie Thompson
Preacher: Elder Sallie Daugherty
Music Director: Marilyn Padon
Organist: Pam Ferrell

TODAY WE WELCOME BACK ELDER SALLIE DAUGHERTY

Sallie Daugherty is a native West Virginian who grew up in Charleston and has been a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church, Charleston where she is an Elder, former Clerk of Session, choir member and children’s Sunday School teacher. The Presbytery of West Virginia approved

Sallie as an authorized lay preacher at its November 20, 2020 meeting. She is the daughter of Jarve Currence and the late George A. Daugherty. Sallie and her husband Byron Goodew make their home in South Charleston.

PEACE AND GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING. This Sunday you will find a booklet titled “Peace & Global Witness Special Offerings. Through the Peace & Global Witness Offering, we connect with each other to confront systems of injustice and promote reconciliation in places around the world and right here at home. Please take time to read this booklet.

BRIDGEVIEW FOOD MINISTRY is packing lunches today after worship service. We are asking church volunteers to meet after worship service the last Sunday in each month to pack lunches. Food items can be dropped off at the church during office hours (9 until noon Monday through Friday).

Below is a list of foods needed for the program:

- Mac & Cheese (microwavable and single serving)
- Pudding Cup Applesauce or Fruit Cup
- Juice Box or Capri Sun Pop Tarts (package of 2)
- Individual cereal package
- Snack Bag (pretzels, Cheezits, goldfish, gummies, chips, cookie (individual packages)
- White milk (non-refrigerated, single serving – example: Horizon brand)
- Chocolate milk
- Ravioli (or other Chef Boyardee Pastas, microwavable, single serving)
- Applesauce or Fruit Cup
- Pop Tarts (package of 2)

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to the group of twelve young people from City National Bank who chose us to be their recipient for their Day of Caring. Their help in cleaning, organizing, and preparing for the rummage sale this weekend was much appreciated. They are employees of the bank from different locations around the Valley. They were an inspiration to all who worked with them. Thanks also to Cheryl Laws, Holly McCraw, and Laura Holton from Pollen8 for their help and assistance. May God bless them all.





WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY will be celebrated next Sunday, October 2nd. For those who will not be able to attend in-person worship, please take time during the coming week to prepare for the Sacrament.

RLPC CHOIR PRACTICE. Choir practice is scheduled for Wednesday, September 28 at 7:00 pm in the Choir Room. See you there!!

FOOD OFFERING SUNDAY is next Sunday, October 2nd. Don't forget that each Communion Sunday is "Food Offering" Sunday. You may leave your offering in the red wagon in the Narthex. All the collected food will go to Heart & Hand.

JOYS AND CONCERNS FROM THE CONGREGATION

If you would like to share a Joy or Concern, we would like to hear it. In order to hear it, please raise your hand, and a microphone will be brought to you.

DO YOU NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH? If you need a ride to church, please call Ken Schmidt at 304-768-8565 (home), or 304-881-2408 (cell). Both numbers can record a message.

CAN YOU PROVIDE RIDES TO CHURCH? If you can provide rides to church, please call Ken Schmidt at 304-768-8565 (home), or 304-881-2408 (cell). Both numbers can record a message.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

A restroom is located in the parlor across from the sanctuary. It is handicap accessible. Additional restrooms are located downstairs and near the nursery.

Peace & Global Witness Offering and Classes

Be Led Forth in Peace

The words of Isaiah 55:12 convey a profound message to us during A Season of Peace:

For you shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace.

Go out in joy! When we look around our world these days, it is sometimes hard to feel joyful. Yet joy inherently embraces optimism. Joy is the companion of faith and hope. In our polarized world torn by war, famine, and marginalization of the poor and disenfranchised, we are in desperate need of joyful and brave people who are willing to ask the hard questions and live the difficult solutions that make peace possible.

Be led forth in peace. Through the Peace & Global Witness Offering, we connect with each other, as the Church, **together**, to confront systems of injustice and promote reconciliation in places around the world and right here at home.

The Offering will be collected on World Communion Sunday, October 2. 25% of the Offering stays with local congregations, and 25% with mid councils to unite congregations to support peacemaking in their regions. The remaining 50% is remitted to the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

As part of the Peace & Global Witness season, we are holding in-person classes following worship on September 25 and October 2. The classes will study

“SEEKING TO BE FAITHFUL TOGETHER: Guidelines for Presbyterians in Times of Disagreement”

Each class will be about 45 minutes to an hour long. Leave your name and email address on the sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex, and we will email you the study materials!

WE ARE
called TO PROCLAIM
THE GOOD NEWS
OF THE LORD, OUR GOD;

WE ARE
challenged TO FOLLOW
THE EXAMPLE OF
JESUS CHRIST;

AND WE ARE
charged TO PROVIDE
FELLOWSHIP
WHERE ALL CAN FIND
RENEWAL AND FULFILLMENT
THROUGH THE WORK OF
THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Mission Statement for
Rock Lake Presbyterian Church
Adopted May 8, 2007

Prayer List

To add/remove/correct names on the prayer list,
please call the church office (768-4141) or email rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com

Prayers of Joy

Prayers for Concerns – Our friends and neighbors and their families

Stephani Andrews	Margie Gumowski's unnamed friend	Marcia Obukowicz
Merrily Bailey	Adilynn Hardin	Joy Ratcliff Parsons
Ethel Barker	Judy Hardin	Jackson Rice
Day and Gene Bishop	Tre' Hardin	Ritchie Rutledge
Regina Boston	Walter Hardin	Wanda Rybolt
Jennifer Fisher Braden	Brad Harkins	Kevin Shaffer
Nancy Bragg	Amy Jo Hickey	Bradley Smith
Keyleigh Caruthers	Ravi Isaiah	Michelle Smith
Erin "Nikki" Childers	Mark King	Ike Taylor
Gary Crosby	Carl McCormick	Lauren Thomas
John Dlugog	Mike McDougle	Tom Titus
Lois Downey	Bob Miller	Johnny Witt
Tory Fenniger	Paula Miller	
Bogan "Danny" Gumowski		

The continuing invasion of Ukraine by Russia. Prayers for both the Ukrainian and Russian people. Think of the mothers of Russian soldiers that have died in the conflict and didn't know what they were being sent to do.
High price of food
Victims of COVID
Climate change as evidenced by more deadly prolonged heat waves and more severe storms locally, nationally, and globally.

Prayers for our Military

Brett Baker	Brent Bishop
Jeff Barker	Evan Chaney

All who are serving, who have been injured and the families who have lost someone in combat; those who live and serve on the Korean Peninsula and other nations in that region of the world; our troops facing terrorist attacks.

Prayers for those in Senior Residential Centers - Betty Berry, Edgewood Summit; Anita Wehrmann, Dunbar Towers

Prayers for those at home - Bonnie Cheely, Barbara Clark, Jackie Pauley

Prayer List for Churches: Spring Valley Presbyterian Church, Huntington; Upper Glade Presbyterian Church; Hubuini Church (Hobo-ENN'nay); Thegenge Parish (They-GEN'gay)

*Added to Prayer List this week