

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
3rd Sunday in the Season of Pentecost/ Father's Day
June 21, 2020

Gathering

THE CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"Let All Things Now Living"
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Arr. John Carter

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

*OPENING HYMN

"Let All Things Now Living"

Tune: ASH GROVE

**Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
to God our Creator triumphantly raise;
who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
by guiding us on to the end of our days.
God's banners are o'er us; pure light goes before us,
a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:
till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished,
as forward we travel from light into light.**

**By law God enforces the stars in their courses,
the sun in its orbit obediently shine.
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
the depths of the ocean proclaim God divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing;
with glad adoration, a song let us raise,
till all things now living unite in thanksgiving:
to God in the highest, hosanna and praise!**

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 86

You are my God; be gracious to me,
O Lord, for to you I cry all day long.

**For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in
steadfast love to all who call on you.**

For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

**Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth;
give me an undivided heart to revere your name.**

Let us worship God!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, in Christ Jesus, have mercy upon us. We are not quick to proclaim Christ as our savior. We have our own desires that demand our devotion. Other people have power over us that we dare not deny. We sometimes confuse Christ's will and our own. At times it is awkward to confess him the source of new life. With compassion he suffers, aware of our plight. O God, hear our confession, and through Christ keep us upright.

(A time for personal confession) Let All God's people say: **Amen**

*ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Listening to the Word

HYMN

"Thy Word"

Tune: THY WORD

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way,
still you're there right beside me.
Nothing will I fear as long as you are near.
Please be near me to the end.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.
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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT

Romans 6:1-11 (NRSV)

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? ² By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵ For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶ We know that our old self was crucified with

him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷ For whoever has died is freed from sin. ⁸ But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁹ We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹⁰ The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

Matthew 10:24-39 (NRSV)

“A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵ it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶ “So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷ What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸ Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹ Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰ And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹ So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

³² “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³ but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

³⁴ “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶ and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. ³⁷ Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸ and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹ Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

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Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“What’s the Mission?”

Jim Musgrave

Responding to God

*AFFIRMATION

Adapted from a Brief Statement of Faith PCUSA

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune

God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.
We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. .
We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, Come, Lord Jesus! With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*HYMN

“Jesus Calls Us”

Tune: GALILEE

**Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;
day by day his sweet voice soundeth saying, “Christian, follow me.”**

**In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease,
still he calls, in cares and pleasures, “Christian, love me more than these.”**

**Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
give our hearts to thy obedience, serve and love thee best of all.**

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PASTORAL PRAYER/ PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

BENEDICTION

*HYMN

“May the God of Hope Go with Us”

Tune: ARGENTINA

**May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.**

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***WORDS OF DISMISSAL**

Go out into the world in peace. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind; and love your neighbor as yourself. **Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.**

***POSTLUDE**

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Church Notes

MEMBERS WISHING TO BLESS RLPC'S MINISTRY FINANCIALLY.

With the fact that we are not coming together for worship, many of you who have generously given to the ministry of RLPC may want to continue your gifts to the church. There are several ways that you may donate a gift to the church. By logging onto the church website at www.rlpc.org you can give through PayPal. Also, there is a mailbox outside the choir room where you can drop your offering or send it by mail. A prayer of dedication will be included in the Prayers of the People. Thank you for your support of our missions.

2020 PEARL INGHAM APPLICATIONS



Applications for the 2020 Pearl Inghram Scholarship are now available. To be considered for the scholarship, the applicant must have graduated from high school by spring/summer of 2020 or in a previous year. Applicants must also be enrolled in college, trade school, or other post high school professional training program for the fall of 2020. Completed applications must be in the church office by 1 PM, July 1. Applicants will be notified of the Scholarship Committee's decision by email on or before July 20. A check will be mailed directly to the applicant awarded the scholarship no later than August 21. APPLICATION FORMS can be requested by calling the church office at 304 768-4141 weekday mornings or by emailing rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com."

Nurture Time

June 21: Read Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 Trusting in the goodness and love of God, the psalmist prays to God for help, asking for God to save their life and to answer them in the

midst of trouble. What is troubling you that you might ask for God's help, trusting God is listening and will answer?

Prayer List

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

Prayers for Concerns – Our friends and neighbors and their families

Hilda Alsop's cousin,	Margie Gumowski	Ruth Pritchard
Bonnie Leslie	Mary Jane Hamrick	Joy Ratcliff
Merrily Bailey	Brad Harkins	Sarah Shaver
Niall Bailey	Addilyn Hardin	Mary Anne Smith
Sgt. Major Jeff Bibb	Tre' Hardin	Mike Spurgeon
Day Bishop	Juanita Hefner	Susan Spurgeon
Dick Clark	Jim Johnson	Gregory Stonestreet
Jo Clark	Mark King	Linda Taylor
Sue DeWald	Chuck Lathom	Bill Wagner
Lee Ann Goff	Cheryl Laws	Ella Grace Washington
Mary Graham	Cheryl Morgan	Jo Wilson
Bogan "Danny" Gumowski	Jackie Pauley	

Prayers for our nation and our world through this time of uncertainty due to the Corona virus outbreak. 40,000 deaths a year from gun violence; global climate change; those who are struggling with the aftermath of natural disasters; all those who have lost someone to a drug overdose; all who struggle physically, spiritually, emotionally, financially or in their relationships; freedom and peace throughout the world; refugees and refugee families; all those whose lives are affected by violence wherever it occurs; Friends of Bluestone Camp and conference center's financial challenge.

Prayers for our Military

Brett Baker	Brent Bishop	Evan Chaney
Jeff Barker	Steve Cash	

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 - Cliff Asbury, Kanawha Place; Betty Berry, Edgewood Summit; Barbara Shriver, Sweetbriar

Prayers for those at home - Reva Asbury, Jeanette Bates, Anne Copper, Bonnie Cheely, Sam Ford, Anita McCormick, Anita Wehrmann

Prayer List for Churches –Ronceverte Presbyterian Church; Trinity Presbyterian Church, Shady Spring; Rware Parish (Roh-ARE'ray)

