

Rock Lake Presbyterian Church  
Celebrating 75 years of "Shining Christ's Light"

"GIVE TO CAESAR  
WHAT IS CAESAR'S,  
AND TO GOD  
WHAT IS GOD'S."

MATTHEW 22:21, NIV



November 17, 2024  
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## Welcome to Rock Lake Presbyterian Church

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.

**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

**November 17, 2024**

**Gathering**

THE CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"We Gather Together"

Arr. Colin Curtis

WELCOME AND THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said that we are to give to God what belongs to God.

**Everything we have comes from and belongs to God.**

Then let us offer our praise and thanksgiving for God's bountiful care.

**We lift our hearts in gratitude.**

Let us worship God.

\*HYMN #694

"Great God of Every Blessing"

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

...Thanks be to you, O God, for all your gifts to us. **Amen.**

OPENING OURSELVES TO GOD #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!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of grace, though you are always present, you often feel distant.**

**Our minds seek to limit your reality to things we can understand.**

**Expand our vision so that we may see your kindness and grace at work  
in the world around us.**

**Help us to ground ourselves in faith and to reach out with hope and love as  
we seek to live in your ways.**

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

When we cry out, God hears us. God receives us, forgives us and shows us love.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Listening to the Word***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God, you are wrapped in mystery beyond human comprehension. Open our hearts to hear your Word as we seek truth and understanding. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 22:15-22

<sup>15</sup> Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. <sup>16</sup> So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you do not regard people with partiality. <sup>17</sup> Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" <sup>18</sup> But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? <sup>19</sup> Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. <sup>20</sup> Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" <sup>21</sup> They answered, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." <sup>22</sup> When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and went away.

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

SERMON

"Who's Who—Part 2"

Elder Ken Schmidt

## ***Responding to God***

\*HYMN #655

"What Shall I Render to the Lord"

\*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

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.

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 #745

“Now Go in Joy”

\*BENEDICTION

Brothers and sisters, beloved of God, go now in joy. Give to others what rightfully belongs to them, and give to God what rightfully belongs to God’s work in the world.

May the goodness of God be with you. May the love of God sustain you. And may you go in peace. **Amen.**

\*DEPARTING SONG #591, refrain “Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!”

*Greet one another in peace as you depart*

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## Church Notes

### WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgist: John Haynes  
Preacher: Elder Ken Schmidt  
Music Director: Marilyn Padon  
Organist: Pam Ferrell

Next Sunday, we will be dedicating our 2024 Commitment Cards during worship, so please remember to bring yours with you. If you are mailing your card back, please try to do so by Tuesday, and we will include it in the dedication next week. Cards are also available in the pews, and at the offering tables if you need one.

**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.

### 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.

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# Prayer List

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

## Prayers of Joy

### Prayers for Concerns – Our friends and neighbors and their families

Don Anderson*	Brad Harkins	Wanda Rybolt
Stephani Andrews	Teresa Hart	Kevin Shaffer
Bob Benning	Dr. Richard Hayes	Daris Shamblin
Susan Booher	Amy Jo Hickey	Ryan Slaughter
Jennifer Fisher Braden	Ravi Isaiah	Bradley Smith
Nancy Braenovich	Jim Kendall & Family	Michelle Smith
Keyleigh Caruthers	Doug Lathom	Steve Smith
Erin “Nikki” Childers	K C Lovin	Howard Swint*
Connie Dent	John Mawyer	Ike Taylor
Jeff Dent	Diane Lynn McClure	Tory Terry
John Dlugog	Carl McCormick	Lauren Thomas
Richard Edwards	Mike McDougle	Ed Thompson
Tory Fenniger	Rick McGuire*	Mary Wagner*
Mary and Larry Graham*	Bob Miller	Vernell Williams
Jennifer Haynes Greene	Paula Miller	Johnny Witt
Margie Gumowski’s unnamed friend	Marcia Obukowicz	
Adilynn Hardin	Joy Ratcliff Parsons	Family and friends of Sarah McGuire on the occasion of her death*
Judy Hardin	Joyce Perry	
Tre’ Hardin	Reid family	
Walter Hardin	Jackson Rice	
	Ritchie Rutledge	

- We pray for peace including the Gaza strip conflict and the hostages and their families.
- We pray for peace in the Ukraine/Russia conflict and the hostages and their families.
- Climate change as evidenced by more severe and deadly storms, fires, floods, and prolonged heat waves locally, nationally, and globally. These events are causing large numbers of injuries and deaths of people, disruptions of food supplies, and many animal & plant species to greatly diminish and even go extinct

## 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; Jackie Pauley, Valley Center

**Prayers for those at home** –Donie Argento, Bonnie Cheely, Barbara Clark, Willie Haynes, Betty Oakes, Anita Wehrmann

**Prayer List for Churches:** First Presbyterian Church, Hinton; Kuhn Memorial Presbyterian Church, Barboursville; Githakwa Church (Git-AH-kwah) ; Wandumbi Parish (Wah-DOH’bee)