

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



*And he went throughout
galilee, proclaiming
the message...*

MARK 1:39, NRSV

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.

August 31, 2025
Email: rocklakepreschurch@gmail.com
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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
August 31, 2025

THE CHIMES CALL US TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" Arr. Robert Hobby

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

*CALL TO WORSHIP From Isaiah 40

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless.

Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted.

**But those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall walk and not faint.**

Let us worship God, our hope and our strength.

*OPENING HYMN #475 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

...We pray in the name of Jesus. **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

Gracious God, we come to you as we are, a broken people.

Some have broken bodies.

Some have broken spirits.

Some have broken relationships.

Some have broken hearts.

We humbly ask for your healing touch in our lives.

**As Jesus healed and gave new life, we pray that you will also renew us
in mind, body and spirit.**

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The prophet Isaiah reassures us that those who fear the Lord will renew their strength and will rise up on eagles' wings. God knows our weaknesses and stands by us in our troubles. Know that we are loved and forgiven—just as we are. **Thanks be to God.**

Listening to the Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*sung*) #458 “Thy Word”

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:29-39

²⁹ As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰ Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹ He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them. ³² That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed by demons. ³³ And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴ And he cured many who were sick with various diseases and cast out many demons, and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. ³⁵ In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶ And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷ When they found him, they said to him, “Everyone is searching for you.” ³⁸ He answered, “Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also, for that is what I came out to do.” ³⁹ And he went throughout all Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

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

SERMON

“The Touch of the Master's Hand”

The Rev. Dr. Patricia Jarvis

Responding to God

*HYMN #796

“We Come to You for Healing, Lord”

ANOINTING FOR HEALING

Those who would like to be anointed may come forward.

CENTSABILITY OFFERING

...so that those who are hungry may know of your love. **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 #43

"You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord"
Soloist sings the verses; all sing the refrain

*BENEDICTION

May the love of God surround you and may the Spirit of Jesus lift you up.
Go in peace to serve the Lord. **Amen.**

*DEPARTING SONG #742

"We Will Walk with God"

**We will walk with God, my brothers, we will walk with God.
We will walk with God, my sisters, we will walk with God.
We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.
We will go rejoicing till the kingdom has come.**

Greet one another in peace as you depart

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Church Notes

WORSHIP LEADERS

Liturgist: Taylor Bailey
Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Patricia Jarvis
Music Director: Marilyn Padon
Organist: Pam Ferrell

CENTS-ABILITY offering will be collected today. The next Cents-Ability Offering will be collected on Sunday, November 30.

RLPC OFFICE will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 1 (Labor Day).

HOLY COMMUNION will be celebrated next Sunday, September 7. For those who will not be able to attend in-person worship, please take time during the coming week to prepare for the Sacrament.

FOOD OFFERING SUNDAY is also next Sunday. 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.

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

Ed Bailey	Cheryl Laws	Susan Spurgeon
Larry Graham	Hollie McCraw	Bill Wagner
Mary Graham	Rick McGuire	Mike Whitten
Emily Holton	Don Shroder	
Ravi Isaiah	Mike Spurgeon	

- We pray for peace in the world. We pray for our world leaders to do what is right and just. We pray for all the people in the world who are effected by war: The children, the common person, the armies, the leaders. Grant us courage and grace during the coming weeks.
- Praying 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
Jeff Barker
Brent Bishop
Nigel Jeffries

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; Joel Callison, Pocahontas Center; Jackie Pauley, Valley Center

Prayers for those at Home –Donie Argento, Bonnie Cheely, Anita Wehrmann

Prayer List for Churches: Beechwood Presbyterian Church, Parkersburg; Bradley Presbyterian Church; Centerville Presbyterian Church, Greenville; Nyamachaki Memorial Church (Nya-mah-chah-KEY'); Rware Parish (Roh-ARE'ray)