

Round Hill Presbyterian Church

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ANGER, **WORDS,** **&** *Mercy*

July 13, 2025

Verse for Meditation:

Romans 12:17-18

“Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.”

WELCOME

INTROIT

*INVOCATION

Rev. Gary Chorpenning

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and all-holy Father: We confess that we are unworthy of your indescribable Gift. We have not loved you as we ought, nor have we always been loving to one another, kindhearted, or forgiving, even as you in Christ have forgiven us. We have lived in selfishness and worldly pride. The good gifts that you have given us we have not used to relieve the burdens of others. Pardon and blot out our offenses, through the incarnate life and willing sacrifice of your holy Son, 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 READINGProverbs 10:18-21

Leader: Whoever conceals hatred with lying lips and spreads slander is a fool.

People: Sin is not ended by multiplying words, but the prudent hold their tongues.

Leader: The tongue of the righteous is choice silver, but the heart of the wicked is of little value.

People: The lips of the righteous nourish many, but fools die for lack of sense.

* GREETING - PASSING THE PEACE

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

James 1:19-27

¹⁹ My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ²⁰ because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹ Therefore, get rid of all moral filth

and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

²² Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.

²³ Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror ²⁴ and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. ²⁵ But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

²⁶ Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my fellow believers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. ² We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check.

³ When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. ⁴ Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. ⁵ Likewise, the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. ⁶ The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole body, sets the whole course of one's life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell.

⁷ All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures are being tamed and have been tamed by mankind, ⁸ but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

⁹ With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰ Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this should not be. ¹¹ Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? ¹² My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

SERMON

Rev. Gary Chorpenning

“James on Living Out the Gospel: Anger, Words, and Mercy”

Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Leader: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: That I belong--body and soul, in life and in death--not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

*APOSTLES' CREED

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; on 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.

*HYMN

“Amazing Grace”

No. 107

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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.

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

“Wonderful Grace of Jesus”

No. 114

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.*

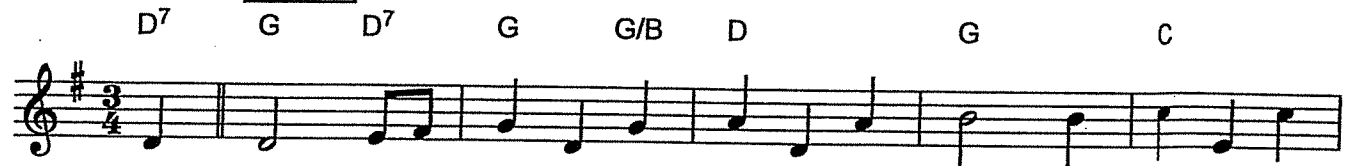
To God Be The Glory

Words by
Fanny Jane Crosby

Music by
William Howard Doane

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VERSE



1. To God be the glo - ry— great things He has done! So loved He the
2. O per - fect re - demp-tion, the pur - chase of blood— to ev - 'ry be -
3. Great things He has taught us; Great things He has done, and great our re -



world that He gave us His Son, who yield - ed His life an a - tone-ment for
-liv - er, the prom - ise of God. The vil - est of - fend - er who tru - ly be -
-joic - ing through Je - sus, the Son. But pur - er and high - er and great - er will

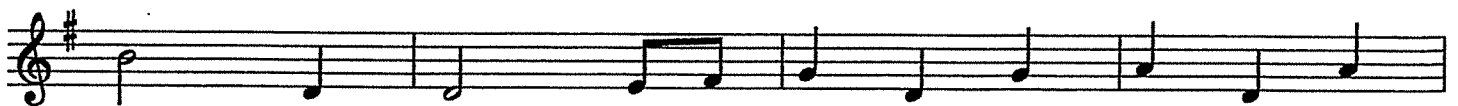
CHORUS



sin and o - pened the life gate that all may go in. Praise the Lord! Praise the
-lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.
be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.



Lord! Let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the peo - ple re -



-joice! O come to the Fa - ther through Je - sus, the



Son, and give Him the glo - ry— great things He has done!

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Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound

For by grace are ye saved through faith . . . — Ephesians 2:8

AMAZING GRACE

American Melody

John Newton

John P. Rees, stanza 5

Carrell and Clayton's *Virginia Harmony*

Harmonized by Edwin O. Excell

1 A - maz-ing grace! How sweet the sound—That saved a wretch like me!
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re-lieved;
 3 The Lord has prom-ised good to me, His word my hope se-cures;
 4 Through man-y dan-gers, toils, and snares, I have al-read-y come;
 5 When we've been there ten thou-sand years, Bright shin-ing as the sun,

1 I once was lost but now am found, Was blind but now I see.
 2 How pre-cious did that grace ap-pear The hour I first be-lieved!
 3 He will my shield and por-tion be As long as life en-dures.
 4 'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
 5 We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first be-gun.

Wonderful Grace of Jesus

For by grace are ye saved, through faith . . . — Ephesians 2:8

Haldor Lillenas

WONDERFUL GRACE

Haldor Lillenas

1 Won - der - ful grace of Je - sus, Great - er than all my sin;
 2 Won - der - ful grace of Je - sus, Reach - ing to all the lost,
 3 Won - der - ful grace of Je - sus, Reach - ing the most de - filed,

1 How shall my tongue de - scribe it, Where shall its praise be - gin?
 2 By it I have been par - doned, Saved to the ut - ter - most;
 3 By its trans - form - ing pow - er Mak - ing him God's dear child,

1 Tak - ing a - way my bur - den, Set - ting my spir - it free,
 2 Chains have been torn a - sun - der, Giv - ing me lib - er - ty,
 3 Pur - chas - ing peace and heav - en For all e - ter - ni - ty—

1 For the won - der - ful grace of Je - sus reach - es me.
 2 For the won - der - ful grace of Je - sus reach - es me.
 3 And the won - der - ful grace of Je - sus reach - es me.

Won-der-ful the matchless grace of Je - sus, Deep-er than the might-y roll - ing

sea; High - er than the moun - tain, spark - ling like a foun - tain,

All suf - fi - cient grace for e - ven me; Broad-er than the scope of my trans -

gres - sions, Great - er far than all my sin and shame; O

mag - ni - fy the pre - cious name of Je - sus, Praise His name!

Liturgist – Lisa Wagner Greeter – Bob Zirkle

STAFF

Pastor	
Director of Music/Accompanist	Mayim Stith
Nursery Director	Karen Simon
Custodian	Tim Guffey
Secretary	Mary Beth Katonik

SESSION ELDERS

Bonnie Craig/ Class of 2025 412-400-9284	Ron Minkus/ Class of 2026 412-600-6518
Linda Leggett/ Class of 2026 412-901-0149	Diana Hicks/ Class of 2025 412-384-3675
Lisa Wagner/ Class of 2025 412-650-5482	Julius Simon/ Class of 2027 412-480-7260
Gayle Larcinese/ Class of 2027 412-860-4659	Jesse Sandor/ Class of 2027 412-877-6760
Clerk of Session / Class of 2027	Bob Leggett 412-384-4175

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President / Jackie Karnes	

DEACONS

<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
Laurie Ferraton	Robin Lane	Kevin Fritz
Tanya Jackson	Eileen Russell	Bill Leggett
Mayim Stith	Bob Zirkle	Leslee Schwirian

Moderator of Deacons / Tanya Jackson & Eileen Russell

June 2025 Income & Expense

Income	\$16,727.00
Expense	\$5,244.00
Net Income/Loss	\$11,483.00
Checking Acct. Balance	\$61,155.00
2025 Per Member Asking	\$31.00



Electronic Giving Code



July 13, 2025

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:**

Pat Girt, Jason, Pastor John, Kestel family & friends, Lehner family, Ron & Sue Minkus, Carol Morrison, Oates family, Dennis Ruhlman, Jesse & Joyce Sandor, Karen Simon, Tracy Thomas

On-Going Requests: Barry Branik, Steven Evans, Caleb Fritz, Frank & Sandy Hayden, Janice Turek, New Life Options, Round Hill Home Church, Round Hill Leaders & Support Staff, Growth of the congregation of Round Hill Church, Children & Teens at RHPC, Round Hill Church's transition, President Trump & Governing Leaders

Military: Aaron Baumann, Ben Elder, Kat Gower, Matthew Gross, Corey Hobaugh, Noah Reed, Aerion Salas, Joram Stith, Grayson Wonsettler, Samuel Wonsettler, and all those serving in the Armed Services

College Students: Ava Karnes, Audra Morgan, Luke Napoli, Corrine Wright

Special Prayer: Pastoral Search Committee, Nominating Committee

Prayers for POA Churches: Tabernacle EPC
(Transitional Pastor Shefelton)

Prayers for EPC Missionaries: Aaron, Katie & family (Middle East); David, Lisa, & family (Asia)

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



RHPC
Announcements
July 13, 2025

JULY



This Week at Round Hill Church

Mon. July 14	Trustees Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	Session Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Tues. July 15	Intercessory Prayer	10:00 a.m.
Wed. July 16	Bible Study	6:30 p.m.



CHURCH PICNIC TODAY!

Right after today's service at Ceder Creek Park, Pavilion #3.

Hope to see you there!!

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

Round Hill Church will be setting up an "Outreach" table on Leslee Schwirian's farm (2669 Pangburn Hollow Road in Monongahela – near William Penn School) during the Sunflower Festival, **July 14-24th**, to hand out information about our church and ministries and showing the love of God to the community. If you'd like to help us in this endeavor, please let Linda Leggett know.

ECCLESIASTES BIBLE STUDY

A new Bible study is beginning at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, July 16th, in the CE building. We will be studying the book of Ecclesiastes using the Anne Graham Lotz's Scripture Study method. You can attend in person (in the CE building conference room), or virtually in the comfort of your own home. If you are interested in the virtual option, please give Laurie Conley your email address for the set-up. If you have any questions please contact her at 412-841-3193.



ATTENTION!

Jesse Sandor has a new (for now) address:
Highland Hills Post Acute, Room 214, 1105 Perry Highway,
Pittsburgh, PA 15237



FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

The Food Pantry is requesting **condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayo, relish, pickles)** for the month of July. Please place these items 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!

*A generous person will prosper;
whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.*

Proverbs 11:25

