

ROCKVILLE PRESBYTERIAN FELLOWSHIP



Pastor Sam Alexander

APRIL 28, 2024

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER
9:30 AM IN-PERSON AND ONLINE SERVICE – ZOOM

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bob Adam

INTROIT

*(Please remain quiet for
other worshippers.)*

“When Morning Gilds the Skies ”

Joseph Barnby Arr. Sandra Eithun

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 22:25-31

Leader: From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly; before those who fear you I will fulfill my vows.

People: The poor will eat and be satisfied;

Leader: those who seek the Lord will praise him— may your hearts live forever!

People: All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him,

Leader: for dominion belongs to the Lord and he rules over the nations.

People: All the rich of the earth will feast and worship; all who go down to the dust will kneel before him— those who cannot keep themselves alive.

Leader: Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord.

**All: They will proclaim his righteousness, declaring to a people yet unborn:
He has done it!**

OPENING HYMN

“Blessed Assurance”

Verses 1-3

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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All: I confess to God almighty, before the whole company of heaven, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and pray God almighty to have mercy on me. For it is mercy I am told I can expect. For you, gracious Spirit of God, live within me and have brought me to this time and place that I may be healed. You have done this in my life. I recognize that I’m far from perfect, but your gracious healing work has helped me to heal and develop. May you, almighty God have mercy on me; pardon me that I may begin anew to follow you. *(Silent for Prayer of Confession)*

Pastor: In the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ

All: Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Pastor: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

DOXOLOGY

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PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: I Kings 18:36-46

Pastor John Bechtel

At the time of sacrifice, the prophet Elijah stepped forward and prayed: “Lord, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, let it be known today that you are God in Israel and that I am your servant and have done all these things at your command. Answer me, Lord, answer me, so these people will know that you, Lord, are God, and that you are turning their hearts back again.” Then the fire of the Lord fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench. When all the people saw this, they fell prostrate and cried, “The Lord—he is God! The Lord—he is God!” Then Elijah commanded them, “Seize the prophets of Baal. Don’t let anyone get away!” They seized them, and Elijah had them brought down to the Kishon Valley and slaughtered there. And Elijah said to Ahab, “Go, eat and drink, for there is the sound of a heavy rain.” So Ahab went off to eat and drink, but Elijah climbed to the top of Carmel, bent down to the ground and put his face between his knees. “Go and look toward the sea,” he told his servant. And he went up and looked. “There is nothing there,” he said. Seven times Elijah said, “Go back.” The seventh time the servant reported, “A cloud as small as a man’s hand is rising from the sea.” So Elijah said, “Go and tell Ahab, ‘Hitch up your chariot and go down before the rain stops you.’” Meanwhile, the sky grew black with clouds, the wind rose, a heavy rain started falling and Ahab rode off to Jezreel. The power of the Lord came on Elijah and, tucking his cloak into his belt, he ran ahead of Ahab all the way to Jezreel.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: Ecclesiastes (excerpted)

SERMON

Sometimes We Need to say No

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SERMON REFLECTION

“When I Consider How the Father Loves”

*(Please remain quiet for
other worshippers.)*

Penny Rodriguez

MUSICAL OFFERING

*(Please remain quiet for
other worshippers.)*

RECEIVING THE PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *(Please remain
quiet for other worshippers.)*

“Pastorale”
Terry Osman

DEDICATION OF OFFERING AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING HYMN

“Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”

Verses 1,3,5

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *(Please remain
quiet for other worshippers.)*

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehova”
John Hughes Arr. Carol Tornquist

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Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

ASSURANCE 9.10.9.9 with refrain

Fanny Jane Crosby, 1873

Transliteration of Korean: Myung Ja Yue, 1989

Phoebe Palmer Knapp, 1873

1. Ye su rul nae ga joo ro mee duh Sung nyung gwa
 2. Ye su keh maat kin nah eh ma um Sa rahng eh

1. Bless-ed as - sur - ance, Je - sus is mine! O what a
 2. Per - fect sub - mis - sion, per - fect de - light, Vi - sions of

pee ro ssuh kuh dum nah nee Seh sahng eh in nun
 sok sah gim tu ru myun suh Heen oh sul ee bun

fore - taste of glo - ry di - vine! Heir of sal - va - tion,
 rap - ture now burst on my sight; An - gels, de - scend - ing,

nae young hon ee Ha nu reh young gwang noo ree doh dah
 chun sah dul gwa Shin bee hahn whan sahng bo ree ro dah

pur - chase of God, Born of His Spir - it, washed in His blood.
 bring from a - bove Ech - oes of mer - cy, whis - pers of love.

Hooryum Refrain

Ee go she nah eh kahn jeung ee yo Ee go she
 This is my sto - ry, this is my song, Prais - ing my

nah eh chan song ee rah Nah sah nun dong ahn
Sav - ior all the day long; This is my sto - ry,

ggeun im up see Ye su eh ee rum chan song hah ree
this is my song, Prais-ing my Sav - ior all the day long.

3. Joo ahn eh ees suh jeul guh wuh rah
Ma um eh Poong nahng ee jahm jah
doh dah
Seh sahng doh up go na doh up go
Sa rahng eh joo mahn bo ee doh dah
Hooryum

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His
love.
Refrain

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

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Attr. Bernard of Clairvaux (1091-1153)

Trans. Edward Caswall, 1849; alt. 1987

John Bacchus Dykes, 1866



1. Je - sus, the ver - y thought of Thee With sweet-ness fills my breast;
2. Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, Nor can the mind re - call
3. O hope of ev - ery con - trite heart, O joy of all the meek,
4. But what to those who find? Ah, this Nor tongue nor pen can show:



But sweet-er far Thy face to see, And in Thy pres - ence rest.
A sweet-er sound than Thy blest name, O Sav - ior of us all.
To those who fall, how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek!
The love of Je - sus, what it is None but His loved ones know.



5. Jesus, our only joy be Thou,
As Thou our prize wilt be;
Jesus, be Thou our glory now,
And through eternity.

Announcements April 28, 2024

Worship Team	
Birthday Blessings	5/3 Daniel Sanders
Centering Prayer Group	Centering Prayer Group every Friday at 10:30am in Pastor Sam's office.
Prayer Requests	<p>Do you, a loved one, or a friend need prayer? Prayers are provided weekly to over 100+ people- please tell us what you would like to have put in your prayer. Prayer requests will be discreet. If you are not receiving the weekly prayers but would like to be included in the prayer chain, please let Pam know.</p> <p>Contact Pam Nelson, (707) 863-9111 pamnelson2412@gmail.com</p>
Donations	<p>The Salvation Army is in Urgent Need of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Men's Coats • Men's Denim or Black Jeans • (other than size 34) • Men's Large T-shirts • Disposable razors <p>Please let Carola Sanders know if you have any items to donate: Carola Sanders (707) 372-8726</p>
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