



“The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground,
and would sleep and rise, night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow,
he does not know how.”

Mark 4:27

June 13, 2021

ROLLING HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

June 13, 2021

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 and 10 a.m.

As we gather please silence cell phones.

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE

Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 20

Leader: May the Lord answer you in time of trouble.

People: May the God of Jacob be your tower of strength.

Leader: Some boast of chariots and horses, but our trust is in the name of the Lord.

People: Others will stumble, but those who trust in the Lord shall stand upright.

*HYMN #140

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Charles Dickerson

**Great is thy faithfulness, O God our Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.**

***(Refrain)* Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed thy hand hath provided;
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!**

**Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *(Refrain)***

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Gracious God, we stand in awe at the wonder of your love. You created all things and hold them together in your grace and care. When we forget, and try to take charge of the world you have made, forgive us. Help us to see your hand at work in wonders great and small. Help us to know how we may join you in deeds of compassion and hope. Remind us that your grace is new every morning, and your steadfast love never ceases. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Linda Fester

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty,
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

*The children are invited to gather in front of the steps for a brief sermon and prayer.
Afterward, they may leave for Sunday School or stay for the rest of the service.*

ANTHEM

“Aria” – C. Dobrinski

Handbell Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

April Herron

THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

Althea Waites

*DOXOLOGY #95

Charles Dickerson

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. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

- Mark 4:26-34

Two small parables

Linda Fester

SERMON

“Hidden”

Jonathan Chute

*HYMN #707

“Hymn of Promise”

Charles Dickerson

In the bulb, there is a flower; in the seed an apple tree;

In cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free!

In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,

Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;

There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.

From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,

Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

*BENEDICTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,

With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

SENIOR GRADUATION VIDEO

Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director
Annette Matsuda, Parish Nurse
Gabby Palacios, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director
Debra DeLuca, Children's Ministry Director
Rev. Kristin Reksc, Youth Ministry Director

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director
Althea Waites, Organist
Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
John Fitzgerald, Treasurer
Nicole Lowery Zakman, Church Business Mgr.
Roksolana Vecerek, Exec. Asst. to Pastor
Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.
Miguel Portillo, Custodian