



“Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not lose heart.”

- Luke 18:1

October 16, 2022

ROLLING HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS
8:30 & 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

October 16, 2022

Laity Sunday

8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

*As we gather we hope you will visit quietly with friends.
Please silence cell phones.*

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE "Suite in G Major" – Purcell Althea Waites

INTROIT "Jubilee!" – A. Sherman Joyful Ringers

*CALL TO WORSHIP *adapted from Psalm 119*

Leader: Oh, how I love your law, O Lord.

People: I reflect on your wisdom all the day long.

Leader: How sweet is your promise, O God, sweeter than honey in my mouth!

People: From you I learn wisdom, and turn away from all that is false.

*HYMN #560 "Help Us Accept Each Other" Everyone

**Help us accept each other as Christ accepted us;
Teach us as sister, brother, each person to embrace.
Be present, Lord, among us, and bring us to believe
We are ourselves accepted and meant to love and live.**

**Lord, for today's encounters with all who are in need,
Who hunger for acceptance, for righteousness and bread,
We need new eyes for seeing, new hands for holding on;
Renew us with your Spirit; Lord, free us, make us one!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: We give thanks, O God, that in Jesus Christ you seek to reconcile your children to one another and to you. Yet we know that we are not yet the people you would like us to become. Help us to use the gifts of life and love to make a difference in this world. Give us courage to share your grace with others, even when we cannot see the results. Help us to trust that you are working in and through us, to bring about your own good purposes. In Christ we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Mark Roulette

*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 Merrietta Fong

Welcome pads are at the seats closest to the center aisle. Please share your name and other helpful information and pass down the row. Afterward please return to the aisle seat.

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

Debra DeLuca

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

ANTHEM

“Let Me Hide Myself in Thee” – arr. C. Courtney

Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Merrietta Fong

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

Everyone

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 Roulette

- Luke 18:1-8

A parable of persistence

New Testament, p. 99

SERMON

“Where Am I in This Community?”

Debra Shrader

*HYMN #561

“Jesus, United by Thy Grace”

Everyone

Jesus, united by thy grace and each to each endeared,

With confidence we seek thy face and know our prayer is heard.

Help us to help each other, Lord, each other’s cross to bear;

Let all their friendly aid afford, and feel each other’s care.

Touched by the lodestone of thy love, let all our hearts agree,

And ever toward each other move, and ever move toward thee.

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Debra Shrader

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.

POSTLUDE

“In Dulci Jubilo” – Walther

Althea Waites

New to the Church?

We are grateful that we can worship together.
Please use our digital welcome pad by
opening the QR code. Thank you!



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 Sutrave, Youth Ministry Director
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Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director
Althea Waites, Organist
Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
Catherine Dingman, Exec. Asst. to Pastor
Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.
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