



“I will do whatever you ask in my name,
so that the Father will be glorified in the Son.
If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.”

- John 14:13-14

May 7, 2023

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

May 7, 2023

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:30 and 10 a.m.

As we gather please silence cell phones.

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE *“Sonata in B-Flat Major” Op.22 (mvt.2) – Beethoven* Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP *adapted from Psalm 31*

Leader: In you, O Lord, I have found refuge; by your saving power deliver me.

People: Bend down and hear my cry; come quickly to my rescue.

Leader: You are my rock and refuge, a stronghold to keep me safe.

People: Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your never failing love.

*HYMN *“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”* #66

**Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to the throne thy tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore God’s praises sing.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.**

**Praise the Lord for grace and favor to all people in distress;
Praise God, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glorious now God’s faithfulness.**

**Fatherlike, God tends and spares us; well our feeble frame God knows;
Motherlike, God gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet God’s mercy flows.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Almighty and eternal God, we thank you that you have not left us alone in sin and despair. You have brought us good news and set before us the way of life. Yet often we fail to see the way. In our pride we reject your mercy and compassion, and live as though Christ had not been raised from death. Forgive us, and grant that we may know new life and hope, in the power of his resurrection. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Logan Tootell

*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

Jonathan Chute

THE CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM (10 a.m.)

Congregational Response: With God’s help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround you with a community of love and forgiveness, that you may grow in God, and be found faithful in your service to others. We will pray for you, that you may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

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 *“Let Me Hide Myself in Thee”* – C. Courtney Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION Matthew Engle

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

**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 Logan Tootell
John 14:1-14 Jesus speaks to the disciples p. 132, New Testament

SERMON *“In Jesus’ Name”* Jonathan Chute

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

(the pastor will offer a prayer of thanksgiving and consecration, and the people shall say)

People: Amen.

SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

8:30 – Pat Stolz 10:00 – Stevie Sterling-Lorentzen

*HYMN

“The Church’s One Foundation”

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**The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ our Lord;
We are his new creation by water and the Word;
From heaven he came and sought us that we might ever be
His living servant people, by his own death set free.**

**Called forth from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth;
Our charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name professing and at one table fed,
To one hope always pressing, by Christ’s own Spirit led.**

*BENEDICTION & CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Jonathan Chute

**Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.**

POSTLUDE

“Prelude and Fugue in A Minor” – J. S. Bach

Althea Waites

We are pleased to **celebrate the baptism of Brendan Asher Thompson** at the 10:00 service. **Brendan** is the son of **Mark & Kristen Thompson** and younger brother of **Riley**. He is the grandchild of church members John & Susie Shultz. We welcome their family and friends as we give thanks for God’s grace on this special day.

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
Gabby Palacios, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director
Debra DeLuca, Children’s Ministry Director
Rev. Kristin Sutrave, Youth Ministry Director
Catherine Dingman, Exec. Asst. to Pastor
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