

"And whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple – truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

- Matthew 10:42

July 2, 2023

ROLLING HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

310-377-6771 SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS www.rhumc.org 8:30 & 10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

July 2, 2023

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 and 10 a.m.

As we gather we hope you will visit quietly with friends.

Please silence cell phones.

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE

"French Suite in E-Flat Major" – J. S. Bach

Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 13

Leader: How long, O Lord, will you hide your face from me? Will you forget me forever?

People: How long must I suffer anguish in my soul and grief in my heart?

Leader: Yet I will sing to you, O Lord, because you have dealt so generously with me.

People: I will trust in your unfailing love. I will rejoice in your salvation.

*HYMN

"God of the Ages"

#698

God of the ages, whose almighty hand Leads forth in beauty all the starry band Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, Our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; In this free land with thee our lot is cast; Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay, Thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way; Lead us from night to never-ending day; Fill all our lives with love and grace divine, And glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Gracious God, you reach out to us in love. You invite us to receive gifts of welcome and hospitality. But often we would rather rely on ourselves than admit our need. We are glad to share care and compassion with others. But often we are reluctant to receive. Help us to see that love grows out of generosity and humility. Bless us both as givers and receivers of your grace. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Claire McCurry

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty,

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

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

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 "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" – arr. M. McDonald

Chancel 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

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 Claire McCurry

- Matthew 10:40-42 Hospitality and its reward Pg.13, New Testament

SERMON "Cool Water" Jonathan Chute

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING April Herron

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

(As you come forward to receive, those wishing to make a communion offering may place your gifts in the baskets near the front of the two side aisles.)

8:30 – Carolyn Woosley 10:00 – Marilyn Schafer

*HYMN "There's a Spirit in the Air" #192

There's a Spirit in the air, telling Christians everywhere: Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.

When a stranger's not alone, when the homeless find a home, Praise the love that Christ revealed, living, working, in our world.

May the Spirit fill our praise, guide our thoughts and change our ways: God in Christ has come to stay. Live tomorrow's life today!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

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

"Praise Ye the Lord" – W. Barlow

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 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 & Finance Manager Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director Althea Waites, Organist Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin. Lori Brunn, Admin. Asst. Miguel Portillo, Custodian