



“Follow me.”

- Mark 1:17

January 21, 2024

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

January 21, 2024

Third Sunday after Epiphany

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 "Steal Away" – S. Coleridge-Taylor Althea Waites

INTROIT "Allegro" – Cynthia Dobrinski Joyful Ringers

*CALL TO WORSHIP *adapted from Psalm 62:5-8*

Leader: God is our rock and our salvation.

People: God is our refuge and the source of our hope.

Leader: Trust in God at all times, O people.

People: We open our hearts to God.

*HYMN "Jesus Calls Us" vs 1, 2 & 5 #398

**Jesus calls us o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;
Day by day his sweet voice soundeth, saying, "Christian, follow me!"**

**As of old the apostles heard it by the Galilean lake,
Turned from home and toil and kindred, leaving all for Jesus's sake.**

**Jesus calls us! By thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

**Unison: Persistent God, we are sorry for the times we have closed our ears and failed to
listen to your voice. Restore our spirits. Help us respond with joy to your call,
that we may follow faithfully in the footsteps of Jesus. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE Claire McCurry

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #209

**Blessed be the God of Israel, who comes to set us free,
Who visits and redeems us, and grants us liberty.
The prophets spoke of mercy, of freedom and release;
God shall fulfill the promise to bring our people peace.**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

*Welcome pads are at the seats closest to the center aisle. Please share your name and
any 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 "Follow Me" – Julia Simon Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Jonathan Chute

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

- Mark 1:14-20

Jesus says it's time

Claire McCurry
New Testament p. 42

SERMON

"The Summons"

April Herron

*HYMN

"Forth in Thy Name" vs 1, 2 & 3

#438

**Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go, my daily labor to pursue;
Thee, only thee, resolved to know in all I think or speak or do.**

**The task thy wisdom hath assigned, O let me cheerfully fulfill;
In all my works thy presence find, and prove thy good and perfect will.**

**Thee may I set at my right hand, whose eyes mine inmost substance see,
And labor on at thy command, and offer all my works to thee.**

*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.**

POSTLUDE

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" – Rudnick

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. Kristin Sutrave, Youth Ministry Director
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director
Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director
Peggy Roulette, Church Office Administrator
Wade Welch, Treasurer

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor
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