



“Then he called the crowd again and said to them,
‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person
that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.’”

- Mark 7:14-15

September 1, 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

September 1, 2024

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

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE “Brahms/Haydn Variations” Op.56b – Brahms Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP *based on the Song of Solomon 2:12-13*

Leader: Vines are in blossom. Trees are bearing fruit.

People: God’s creation is full of wonders.

Leader: The voices of birds are heard in the meadows.

People: The time for singing has come.

*HYMN “Be Thou My Vision” #451

**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

**Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.**

**Great God of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

**Unison: Holy God, you have encouraged us to be quick to listen, slow to speak,
and slow to anger. Yet although we hear your word, we do not always act upon
it. We realize that we have perhaps contributed to the troubles of the world.
Forgive us and turn us toward your loving truthfulness. Help us to see clearly
the path you put before us. Grant us courage to walk in faith. Through Christ
we pray. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Suellen Fung

*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

April Herron

*Welcome pads are closest to the center aisle. Please share your name
and pass the pad down the row. Afterward, please return the pad to the aisle seat.*

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

Lee Carlile

*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

“Come Down Angels” – arr. Undine Smith Moore
Soloist Abigail Whitman

Althea Waites

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

- Mark 7:1-8 and 14-23

Jesus answers a question

Suellen Fung
New Testament p. 51

SERMON

“Inside Out”

Lee Carlile

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.

BLESSING AND SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

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

8:30 – Susan Deo

10:00 – Patty Koester

*HYMN

“Take My Life, and Let It Be” vs 1 & 3

#399

**Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.**

*BENEDICTION AND 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

“Toccata in G Major” – J. S. Bach

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
Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus
Althea Waites, Organist
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