



“Let the wise also hear and gain in learning.”

- Proverbs 1:5

September 8, 2024

ROLLING HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

310-377-6771

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

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

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

*Standing - if comfortable

PRELUDE *"Sonata in G Minor" Op.17. mvt.2 – Clara Schumann* Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP *based on Psalm 125:1-4*

Leader: Those who trust in the Lord are like a mountain that cannot be moved.

People: As the mountains surround a city, so the Lord surrounds his people.

Leader: The word of the Lord keeps us from using our hands to do wrong.

People: The goodness of the Lord helps us to be upright in heart.

*HYMN *"All Things Bright and Beautiful" vs 1, 2 & 4* #147

**(Refrain) All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.**

**Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors, and made their tiny wings.**

(Refrain)

**The purple headed mountains, the river running by,
The sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky.**

(Refrain)

**God gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.**

(Refrain)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Generous God, we come before you knowing that we often fall short of your call to love one another well. Help us to comprehend your word of mercy and feel your great love for all who need your grace. Strengthen us to reach out in service to those who are on the edges of our communities. Show us what we still need to learn about following in your way and tending to those who are suffering. Open our hearts ever more fully to Christ Jesus, who calls us to follow. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

John Fitzgerald

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

#473

**Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;
Make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
That makest me dwell in safety.**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH/PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

April Herron

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 on the steps for a brief sermon and prayer.
Afterward, they may leave for Sunday School or stay for the rest of the service.*

ANTHEM

"At the Name of Jesus" – Cindy Berry

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

**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

- Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, and 22-23 Words of guidance

John Fitzgerald
Old Testament p. 742

SERMON

"A Teacher Speaks"

April Herron

*HYMN

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

#664

**Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,
The people of God from this dwelling take leave.
The service is ended, O now be extended
The fruits of our worship in all who believe.
The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching,
Shall blossom in action for God and for all.
God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us
To work for God's kingdom and answer the call.

With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
The tasks of our everyday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
Embracing God's children of each tribe and race.
With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us;
Unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving
Give honor to Christ and that name which we bear.**

***BENEDICTION & 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

“Sinfonia in B-Flat Major” – Handel

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
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