



“Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’”

- Luke 4:21

January 26, 2025

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 26, 2025

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 *"Andante cantabile in F Major"* – Fanny Hensel Althea Waites

*CALL TO WORSHIP *adapted from Psalm 19*

Leader: The heavens tell of the glory of God; and the sky proclaims God's handiwork.

People: One day speaks to another and each night shares knowledge with the next.

Leader: All this takes place without human language; no one hears them speak.

People: Yet their voice goes out to all the lands, their words to the end of the earth.

*HYMN *"This Is My Father's World"* #144

**This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.**

**This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, declare their maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear him pass; he speaks to me everywhere.**

**This is my Father's world. O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is King; let the heavens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Most holy God, before your splendor and your glory we fall silent, aware of our human frailty. We fall short of your hopes for us, and do not love one another as you have shown. We wonder who we are to speak your word of hope, or to share signs of your love and care. Speak to us your forgiveness, and touch us with your compassion, and we will respond to your call, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Tony Moretti

*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

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 *“O Divine Redeemer”* – Charles Gounod Chancel Choir

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION John Nelson

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 Everyone

**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

Luke 4:14-21 Jesus’ first sermon Tony Moretti
Pg. 74, New Testament

SERMON *“Today”* Jonathan Chute

*HYMN *“How Great Thou Art”* #77

**O Lord my God! when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.**
**(Refrain) Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
How great thou art, how great thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to thee;
How great thou art, how great thou art!**
**When through the woods and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze;**
(Refrain)

*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 *“Prelude and Fugue in A Minor”* – 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
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Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director
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