



“But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus ‘And who is my neighbor?’”

- Luke 10:29

**July 13, 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

July 13, 2025

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

*\*Standing - if comfortable*

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PRELUDE                      “Sonata in C Minor” Op. 13, mvt. 2 – Beethoven                      Althea Waites

\*CALL TO WORSHIP                      *adapted from Psalm 82*

Leader: God is seated in the court of heaven;

**People: In the midst of the gods the Lord holds judgement.**

Leader: Give justice to the weak and orphan, O God; lift up the lowly and destitute.

**People: Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked.**

Leader: How long will the wicked prosper? Will injustice last for ever?

**People: Arise, O Lord, and judge the earth, for all the nations belong to you.**

\*HYMN                      “God of Grace and God of Glory”                      #577

**God of grace and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;  
Crown thine ancient church’s story; bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour,  
For the facing of this hour.**

**Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!  
Fears and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to work and praise.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days,  
For the living of these days.**

**Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
Let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,  
Serving thee whom we adore.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

**Unison: Loving God, you invite us to join with you in acts of compassion and service. You are present with us every day in the lives of our neighbors. As we meet some of them we discover our gifts for help and healing. From others we receive your grace and care. Forgive us when we fail to see the connections between us, when we seek to separate ourselves from each other. Open our eyes to the mystery and wonder of your love for all your children. 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

*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                                      “What Grace Is Mine” – Bob Marshall                                      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

- Luke 10:25-37                                      A lawyer asks a probing question                                      Suellen Fung  
New Testament p.87

SERMON                                      “The Gift of the Stranger”                                      Jonathan Chute

\*HYMN                                      “Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior”                                      #351

**Pass me not, O gentle Savior, hear my humble cry;  
While on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.**

**(Refrain) Savior, Savior, hear my humble cry;  
While on others thou art calling, do not pass me by.**

**Let me at thy throne of mercy find a sweet relief,  
Kneeling there in deep contrition; help my unbelief.**

**(Refrain)**

**Trusting only in thy merit, would I seek thy face;  
Heal my wounded, broken spirit, save me by thy grace.**

**(Refrain)**

\*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

*“Prelude and Fugue in G 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  
Rev. Kristin Sutrave, Youth Ministry Director  
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director  
Paula Kuno, 3<sup>rd</sup> Service Music  
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director  
Peggy Roulette, Church Office Administrator  
Wade Welch, Treasurer

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor  
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Althea Waites, Organist  
Debra DeLuca, Children's Ministry Director  
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