

Rock Creek Fellowship  
Worship  
April 21, 2024  
9:00 AM

**Prelude Song**  
“Holy Holy Holy,” Hymnal, pg. 3

**Call to Worship**  
Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
**Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.**  
Know that the Lord is God.  
**It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
**and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and praise his name.**  
For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;  
**his faithfulness continues through all generations.**  
*(Psalm 100)*

**Worship in Song**  
“10,000 Reasons (Bless the LORD)”  
**CHORUS**  
Bless the LORD oh my soul, oh my soul  
Worship His Holy name  
Sing like never before, oh my soul  
I’ll worship your Holy name  
1. The sun comes up, it’s a new day dawning  
It’s time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing when the evening comes  
**CHORUS**  
2. You’re rich in love and You’re slow to anger  
Your name is great and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find  
**CHORUS**  
3. And on that day when my strength is failing  
The end draws near and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years and then forevermore  
**CHORUS**  
I’ll worship your holy name  
I’ll worship your holy name

**Confession of Faith** *Avenly Jones*

**Apostles’ Creed**  
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*that is, the true Christian church of all times and all places

**Worship with Tithes and Offering**  
“It Is Well,”

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Welcoming One Another**  
“Doxology”  
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

**Confession of Sin**  
**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you  
with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our  
neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,  
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*(Offer silent prayers of confession)*

**Assurance of Pardon:**  
Let us declare the good news to each other:  
**Since we are justified by faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom  
we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast  
in our hope of sharing the glory of God.**  
—Romans 5:1-2

**Scripture Reading** *Janet Hulsey*

**Hosea 14**

Return, Israel, to the Lord your God. Your sins have been your downfall!  
<sup>2</sup>Take words with you and return to the Lord. Say to him: “Forgive all our sins and receive us graciously, that we may offer the fruit of our lips. <sup>3</sup>Assyria cannot save us; we will not mount warhorses. We will never again say ‘Our gods’ to what our own hands have made, for in you the fatherless find compassion.” <sup>4</sup>“I will heal their waywardness and love them freely, for my anger has turned away from them. <sup>5</sup>I will be like the dew to Israel; he will blossom like a lily. Like a cedar of Lebanon he will send down his roots; <sup>6</sup>his young shoots will grow. His splendor will be like an olive tree, his fragrance like a cedar of Lebanon. <sup>7</sup>People will dwell again in his shade; they will flourish like the grain, they will blossom like the vine— Israel’s fame will be like the wine of Lebanon. <sup>8</sup>Ephraim, what more have I to do with idols? I will answer him and care for him. I am like a flourishing juniper; your fruitfulness comes from me.” <sup>9</sup>Who is wise? Let them realize these things. Who is discerning? Let them understand. The ways of the Lord are right; the righteous walk in them, but the rebellious stumble in them.

Reader: The grass withers, and the flowers fall,  
**All: but the Word of our God stands forever.**

**Romans 7:1-6**

<sup>7</sup>Do you not know, brothers and sisters—for I am speaking to those who know the law—that the law has authority over someone only as long as that person lives? <sup>2</sup>For example, by law a married woman is bound to her husband as long as he is alive, but if her husband dies, she is released from the law that binds her to him. <sup>3</sup>So then, if she has sexual relations with another man while her husband is still alive, she is called an adulteress. But if her husband dies, she is released from that law and is not an adulteress if she marries another man. <sup>4</sup>So, my brothers and sisters, you also died to

**Hymnal, pg. 705**

*Marilyn Griffith*

the law through the body of Christ, that you might belong to another, to him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God. <sup>5</sup>For when we were in the realm of the flesh, the sinful passions aroused by the law were at work in us, so that we bore fruit for death. <sup>6</sup>But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code.

Reader: The Word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon** *Pastor Eric*  
*Newness of Life: “Belonging to Another”*

**Closing Song**  
“May the Mind of Christ My Savior,” The Ann Book pg. 50

**Benediction**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### NEW HERE?

We welcome you to Rock Creek! If you would like more information about Rock Creek, please fill out the "Welcome Cards" located in the foyer and place in the wooden box also located in the foyer. If you have any questions, please contact Kristen in the office: [Kristen@rockcreekfellowship.org](mailto:Kristen@rockcreekfellowship.org)

### IF GATHERING

All women are invited to the **If: Gathering Friday, April 26 from 5:30-10PM at The Haven (3221 Brainerd Rd., Chattanooga, TN)**. We will enjoy live worship from Jenn Daniels-Neal, small group time, fellowship over dinner, and times of teaching. Cost is \$20. To sign up and for more information, please go to our calendar of events on our website. **RSVP by Monday, April 21.**

### GATHER AND SHARE

Dear Rock Creek Women,

It's spring time, and even with all its beauty, I am typically at my most worn out--every single spring. The antidote? Jesus first, of course! But trees will be my topic on Sunday night. I'll be looking at Psalm 1 and one of my favorite passages from Jeremiah and a poem by George Herbert. If you want to 'prepare,' I'd love for you to think about a tree that you have enjoyed at some point—or throughout your life.

Love,

Kathaleen (Hughes),

April's GNS speaker.

Come and enjoy tree time with Kathaleen tonight  
6:30-8 pm at Eve's house  
4060 Highway 157, Rising Fawn, GA 30738.

All RCF women are welcome and wanted!

### YOUTH GROUP

All 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to Youth Group tonight from 6-8PM at Durham Rd.  
Dinner provided.

**NEW HERE?** We welcome you to Rock Creek! Nursery is available for ages 0-5 during the worship service in the children's wing behind the Sanctuary. If you prefer to be with your nursing and/or crying child, please use the cry room located in front of the Sanctuary. You are also more than welcome to keep your children in the service with you.

### GIVE TO RCF

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