

Rock Creek Fellowship  
Worship  
April 28, 2024  
10:45 AM

**Prelude Song**

**“Come, People of the Risen King”**

1. Come, people of the Risen King,  
Who delight to bring Him praise;  
Come all and tune your hearts to sing  
To the Morning Star of grace.  
From the shifting shadows of the earth  
We will lift our eyes to Him,  
Where steady arms of mercy reach  
To gather children in.

3. Come young and old from every land  
Men and women of the faith;  
Come, those with full or empty hands  
Find the riches of His grace.  
Over all the world, His people sing -  
Shore to shore we hear them call, the  
Truth that cries through every age:  
“Our God is all in all”!

**REFRAIN:** Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

2. Come, those whose joy is morning sun,  
And those weeping through the night;  
Come, those who tell of battles won,  
And those struggling in the fight.  
For His perfect love will never change,  
And His mercies never cease,  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace.

**Call to Worship**

Sandy Shaw, *Elder*

Praise be to you, Lord, the God of our father Israel,  
from everlasting to everlasting.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness and the power  
and the glory and the majesty and the splendor,**  
for everything in heaven and earth is yours.

**Yours, Lord, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.**  
Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things.

**In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.**  
Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.  
—1 Chronicles 29:10-13

**Worship in Song**

**“The Sands of Time Are Sinking”**

1. The sands of time are sinking,  
The dawn of heaven breaks;  
The summer morn I’ve sighed for -  
The fair, sweet morn awakes:  
Dark, dark had been the midnight  
But dayspring is at hand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Emmanuel’s land.

2. The king there in His beauty,  
Without a veil is seen:  
It were a well-spent journey,  
Though seven deaths lay between:  
The Lamb with His fair army,  
Doth on Mount Zion stand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Emmanuel’s land

3. O Christ, He is the fountain,  
The deep, sweet well of love!  
The streams on earth I’ve tasted  
More deep I’ll drink above:

There to an ocean fullness  
His mercy doth expand,  
And glory, glory dwelleth  
In Emmanuel’s land.  
4. The bride eyes not her garment,  
But her dear Bridegroom’s face;  
I will not gaze at glory  
But on my King of grace.  
Not at the crown He giveth  
But on His pierced hand;  
The Lamb is all the glory  
Of Emmanuel’s land.  
5. O I am my Beloved’s  
And my Beloved is mine!  
He brings a poor vile sinner  
Into His house of wine  
I stand upon His merit –  
I know no other stand,  
Not e’en where glory dwelleth  
In Emmanuel’s land.

**Confession of Faith**

**The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one, holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

**“Jesus, All for Jesus”**

1. Jesus, all for Jesus,  
All I am and have and ever hope to be.  
Jesus, all for Jesus,  
All I am and have and ever hope to be.  
2. All of my ambitions, hopes and plans  
I surrender these into Your hands.  
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I surrender these into Your hands.  
3. For it's only in Your will that I am free,  
For it's only in Your will that I am free  
Jesus, all for Jesus,  
All I am and have and ever hope to be.

**Worship with Tithes and Offering**

**“May the Mind of Christ my Savior”**

1. May the mind of Christ, my Savior,  
Live in me from day to day,  
By His love and power controlling  
All I do and say.  
2. May the Word of God dwell richly  
In my heart from hour to hour,  
So that all may see I triumph  
Only through His power.  
3. May the peace of God my Father  
Rule my life in everything,  
That I may be calm to comfort  
Sick and sorrowing.

4. May the love of Jesus fill me  
As the waters fill the sea;  
Him exalting, self abasing,  
This is victory.

5. May I run the race before me,  
Strong and brave to face the foe,  
Looking only unto Jesus  
As I onward go.

6. May His beauty rest upon me,  
As I seek the lost to win,  
And may they forget the channel,  
Seeing only Him

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Meredith Richmond*

**Missions Update**

*Josh and Ashley Underwood*

**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

**Scripture Reading**

**Psalms 119: 33-40**

<sup>33</sup>Teach me, Lord, the way of your decrees,  
that I may follow it to the end.  
<sup>34</sup>Give me understanding, so that I may keep your law  
and obey it with all my heart.  
<sup>35</sup>Direct me in the path of your commands,  
for there I find delight.  
<sup>36</sup>Turn my heart toward your statutes  
and not toward selfish gain.  
<sup>37</sup>Turn my eyes away from worthless things;  
preserve my life according to your word.  
<sup>38</sup>Fulfill your promise to your servant,  
so that you may be feared.  
<sup>39</sup>Take away the disgrace I dread,  
for your laws are good.  
<sup>40</sup>How I long for your precepts!  
In your righteousness preserve my life..

Reader: The grass withers, and the flowers fall,

**All: but the Word of our God stands forever.**

**Romans 7:7-25**

<sup>7</sup>What shall we say, then? Is the law sinful? Certainly not! Nevertheless, I would not have known what sin was had it not been for the law. For I would not have known what coveting really was if the law had not said, “You shall not covet.” <sup>8</sup>But sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, produced in me every kind of coveting. For apart from the law, sin was dead. <sup>9</sup>Once I was alive apart from the law; but when the commandment came, sin sprang to life and I died. <sup>10</sup>I found that the very commandment that was intended to bring life actually brought death. <sup>11</sup>For sin, seizing the opportunity afforded by the commandment, deceived me, and through the commandment put me to death. <sup>12</sup>So then, the law is holy, and the commandment is holy, righteous and good. <sup>13</sup>Did that which is good, then, become death to me? By no means! Nevertheless, in order that sin might be recognized as sin, it used what is good to bring about my death, so that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful. <sup>14</sup>We know that the law is spiritual; but I am unspiritual, sold as a slave to sin. <sup>15</sup>I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. <sup>16</sup>And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. <sup>18</sup>For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. <sup>19</sup>For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. <sup>20</sup>Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it. <sup>21</sup>So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. <sup>22</sup>For in my inner being I delight in God’s law; <sup>23</sup>but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. <sup>24</sup>What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? <sup>25</sup>Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God’s law, but in my sinful nature a slave to the law of sin.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**

*Newness of Life: “Inner-Conflict”*

*Pastor Eric*

**Closing Song**

**“He Has Shown Thee (Micah 6:8)”**

He has shown thee (He has shown thee)

Oh man (Oh man)

What is good and what the Lord requires of thee

(Repeat)

*Grace Kwasny*

But to do justly (but to do justly)  
 And to love mercy (and to love mercy)  
 And to walk humbly with your God

**Benediction**

**Announcements**

**MISSIONS UPDATE**

To learn more about Josh and Ashley Underwood's ministry to the church in Scotland, please contact them at [josh.underwood@mtw.org](mailto:josh.underwood@mtw.org) or [ashley.underwood@mtw.org](mailto:ashley.underwood@mtw.org)

**CHURCH LUNCHEON**

Next Sunday, May 5 after the 10:45 service, we will have a church wide luncheon to make some time and space to fellowship with one another and to welcome our new Assistant Pastor and family. **Congregations from both sites are invited.** We hope you will plan to join us.

**HIKE AT LULA LAKE LAND TRUST**

On Sunday, May 19 after the service at Durham Rd. we will have a church hike/BYO picnic at the Lula Lake Land Trust. The gates will open at 12:30 and close at 5PM. Look for more details soon.

**YOUTH GROUP**

Tonight is our last regular Youth Group of the season. All 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders, please join us at Durham Rd. from 6-8PM. If you have any questions, please reach out to Avenly Jones.

**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**

There are several ways that you can contribute financially to Rock Creek Fellowship: 1. Drop a check in the offering basket, 2. Mail a check to the church, or 3. Make a payment electronically using the paypal QR code below.



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