



## Welcome to Roseville We Are Honored by Your Presence

**May 21, 2023- 10:15 A.M.**

**GATHERING:** During The **Prelude**- Let us use this time for worship preparation: quiet reflection or prayer, allowing the inspirational music to ready our hearts for worship.

### **Prelude:**

### **\*PROCESSIONAL:**

#### **CELEBRATION OF PRAISE**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** *(Ask Congregants to Stand if Able)*

Worship Leader: Sing to God.

**Congregation:** Sing praises to God's name.

Worship Leader: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth.

**Congregation:** Sing praises to the Lord.

**ALL:** Let us worship God.

### **\*HYMN OF PRAISE:**

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Confession is a mirror by which we see ourselves more clearly. Let us offer our prayers to God.

### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION:**

We confess, O God, that too often, we have our heads in the clouds. We are more comfortable with dreaming of the world as we wish it would be instead of working with you to bring that wish to reality. At times, we find it difficult to claim the power you have given us. Surely you have others more capable of being your witnesses. And so, we continue to gaze heavenwards. Jolt us out of our complacency, O God. Remind us to get a move on. Remind us we have work to do with you. Give us your energy, courage, and vision to be your witnesses to the end of the earth.

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

We are God's people

**created, loved, and forgiven.**

The God of all grace has called us by name.

**God will restore, support, strengthen and establish us.**

It is good news to celebrate.

**We are forgiven!**

### **\*Congregational Response:**

~WELCOME ~ BIENVENIDA ~  
Welcome and Passing the Peace of Christ

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**-Tithes and Offerings:**

**-Music:**

**-\*Doxology:** "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow...."

**-Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

To God, we give in thankful response for all the gifts God has given us. Our money is one way to say "thank you." The morning offering will be received.

Good and gracious God, the money we place in plates or give online we pray will be used to bring your kingdom to earth. May our gifts strengthen this congregation to be more faithful, present, and daring in our community and to the ends of the earth. Amen.

### **PASTORAL CONCERNS:**

***Please post the new mission statement during the Pastoral Notes!***

**We believe God is calling the Roseville Presbyterian Church to be:**

**"A welcoming congregation committed to respond to Christ's call to nurture and develop leaders, engage and embrace our community through worship, service, and love while passionately spreading the gospel to impact lives."**

### **MUSIC SELECTION**

## SCRIPTURE:

22 Immediately he made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. <sup>23</sup>And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, <sup>24</sup>but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. <sup>25</sup>And early in the morning he came walking towards them on the lake. <sup>26</sup>But when the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified, saying, 'It is a ghost!' And they cried out in fear. <sup>27</sup>But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, 'Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.' <sup>28</sup>Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' <sup>29</sup>He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came towards Jesus. <sup>30</sup>But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, 'Lord, save me!' <sup>31</sup>Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, 'You of little faith, why did you doubt?' ('to stand in two') <sup>32</sup>When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. <sup>33</sup>And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

Matthew 14:22-33

## MUSIC SELECTION:

## SERMON:

**“Trusting in the Unpredictable Predictability of Christ”**

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP:** This special invitation is for You. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here to explore your faith and to strengthen your relationship with God; if you do not have a church home, we invite you to join us here as we seek to follow Christ as faithful disciples. Our Elders will meet you at the Altar.

**\*INVITATIONAL HYMN:**

**\*CLOSING HYMN:**

**\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION:**

**\*Congregational Response: “Amen.”**

**\*Signifies all who are able; please stand.**

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**R O S E V I L L E C H U R C H  
SUNDAY, May 21, 2023**

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