



Welcome to Roseville **We Are Honored by Your Presence**

March 19, 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: When the world is dark and full of hate and fear when we cannot see God

Congregation: we will turn on the light.

Worship Leader: When we cannot find our way back to love and peace

Congregation: we will turn on the light.

Worship Leader: When our vision dims due to the darkness within

Congregation: we will turn on the light.

Worship Leader: Christ opens our eyes with the gift of sight.

Congregation: The light of the world is Jesus Christ.

Worship Leader: Come and worship the one who brings sight to the blind.

All: Hallelujah! Praise God, the light of the world!

***HYMN OF PRAISE:**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Forgiving God in a world filled with so much pain, we would rather shut our eyes and be blind than see things as they really are. Grant us the courage to face the reality of our world and give us the strength to bring your light to those who walk in darkness. Help us see others as you see them and forgive us when we do not trust you enough to open our eyes to the possibilities before us. Heal our self-inflicted blindness, O God, and lead us in the footsteps of the Light of the World, who reveals your glory in his life, teachings, and love. In his holy name, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Christ came to lead us in paths of righteousness and to guide us through our lives. Christ is with us in times of danger and times of peace. The goodness and mercy of God are given to us each and every day of our lives. God forgives us for our failings, upholds us in love, and leads us to the place Christ has prepared for us. Believe in your heart that God loves you and forgives you. We believe! God help our unbelief!

***Congregational Response:**

<p style="text-align: center;">~WELCOME ~ BIENVENIDA ~ Welcome and Passing the Peace of Christ</p>
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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

-Tithes and Offerings:

-Music:

-*Doxology: “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow...”

-Prayer of Thanksgiving:

God of light, love, and peace, we praise your name for leading us in paths of righteousness so that we may come into your presence, forgiven and free. We thank you for guiding us to this place: where we may rest beside the still waters of your grace and be filled with the good gifts of your goodness and mercy. We worship you with all that we are, and we bless your name for all that we will be as we continue our journey—a journey that leads us to your kingdom, where we will dwell with you forever. We offer you these gifts that you might bless them and send them out into the valley of the shadow of death and everywhere in need of your light. Amen.

PASTORAL CONCERNS:

Please post the new mission statement up 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."

SCRIPTURE:

MUSIC SELECTION:

SERMON:

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:**

Pastor: Go into the world, carrying the light of Christ into the darkness!

Congregation: We go with hearts full and eyes open!

Pastor: Receive God's love and care, and share that love and care with others!

Congregation: We go with eyes reflecting God's light and hands open to sharing it!

Pastor: May you walk in the light of Christ all the days of your life!

Congregation: We will follow Christ wherever he leads us! Amen!

***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, March 19, 2023**

<p>ROSEVILLE CHURCH Mission: <i>"As people called by God to follow Jesus Christ, together we are called 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</i></p>
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