

Welcome to Roseville

We Are Honored by Your Presence

Sunday, September 27, 2026 - 10:30 A.M.

Theme: "We Are Here to Worship God"

OPENING SONG:

WHY THIS WEEK MATTERS

People come to church for many reasons—habit, family, friendship, music, encouragement, curiosity, grief, hope, or because they are searching for something they cannot quite name.

But why does the Church gather at all?

Psalm 95 gives one of Christianity's oldest answers: worship.

Worship is more than attending a service or singing songs. At its heart, worship is about turning our attention toward God and asking what the stories, experiences, teachings, and testimonies of faith reveal about who God is.

For some people, that language is deeply familiar. You may already be able to point to moments you understand as God's faithfulness. Others may be less certain. You may be returning to church after time away, questioning what you were taught, wondering whether God is present at all, or simply trying to understand what Christians mean when they speak about God.

Psalm 95 makes a striking claim: people can experience what God does and still struggle to understand who God is.

So today we consider a question:

What might what we have seen, heard, experienced, and inherited through faith teach us about who God is?

Wherever you are beginning, today invites us to listen, remember, question, and consider.

Worship Leader:

Deacon Kenneth Smith

Good morning, Roseville. Today we begin a new worship series called Stick With Six, built around one basic question: Why are we here?

Not simply, "Why are we sitting in this building this morning?" But why does the Church exist at all?

Christians have gathered across centuries, cultures, languages, neighborhoods, and generations around certain enduring purposes.

Over these next six weeks, we are going back to six of those purposes and asking what they mean for real life today.

Some of us have been part of church most of our lives. Some are returning after being away.

Some are still deciding what they believe.

Some may believe in God but have questions about church. Some may not be sure there is a God at all.

Wherever you are starting from, you are welcome in the conversation. And we begin with worship. Psalm 95 invites people to sing, give thanks, bow down, listen, and remember. But it also raises a deeper question. What if people can witness remarkable things and still struggle to understand the God they are being invited to trust?
So today we gather to listen. We gather to remember. We gather to ask questions. And we gather to consider what the biblical story says about who God is. Let us worship.

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come from different places and different kinds of weeks.

People: **In this moment, we turn our attention toward God.**

Leader: Some come with confidence. Some come with questions.

People: **There is room here for faith, searching, learning, and growing.**

Leader: The Psalm says, “O come, let us sing to the Lord.”

People: **We come to listen, to remember, to pray, and to worship.**

Leader: Come, let us bow down before the One who made us.

All: **We are here. God is here. Let us worship.**

Transition to Song of Worship:

Worship invites our whole selves into this moment our gratitude, our questions, our memories, our weariness, our doubts, and our hope. For some, worship is an expression of a faith already deeply held. For others, it may simply begin with listening. Wherever you are, let us continue in worship together.

***SONG OF WORSHIP**

Transition to Invocation:

Prayer is one of the ways Christians intentionally turn their attention toward God. If prayer is familiar to you, make these words your own. If prayer is unfamiliar, you are invited simply to listen and reflect.

Let us pray.

MORNING PRAYER | INVOCATION:

(Lay Leader – Not In Unison)

Let us pray.

God, we come from different places. Some of us come with stories of your faithfulness.

Some come with questions about where you are.
Some are still trying to understand what they believe.

Meet us honestly where we are. Quiet what is competing for our attention. Through the music, the prayers, the Scripture, and our time together, help us listen deeply. Help us notice what the story of faith reveals about your character, your care, and your presence.

For those who trust you, deepen that trust. For those who are searching, make room for honest questions and new discovery. And for all of us, teach us to listen. In Jesus' name, **Amen**.

WELCOME & COMMUNITY

Good morning and welcome to Roseville. Whether you are a longtime member, visiting for the first time, returning to church after some time away, joining us online, or still figuring out what you believe, we are glad you are here.

You do not have to know all the words, understand every tradition, or have everything figured out to participate. Sing, pray, listen, reflect, ask questions, or simply be present as you feel comfortable.

If you would like to learn more about Roseville or have someone connect with you, complete a connection card or type “I want to connect” in the online chat. Before we continue, greet someone around you and let them know you are glad they are here.

SELECTION AFTER WELCOME

***** ANNOUNCEMENTS *****

PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS / MISSION STATEMENT

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Prayer emphasis: Help us become people who are honest enough to bring our faith, questions, gratitude, doubts, hopes, and fears into the presence of God. Help us listen for what the story of faith teaches us about God and how that might shape the way we live.

PRAYER RESPONSE

GENEROSITY

OFFERING INVITATION

Worship is not only about what we sing or say. It also reveals what we value. Giving is one of the ways we participate in work larger than ourselves.

Through the generosity of members, friends, guests, and community partners, Roseville is able to worship, teach, care for people, serve our neighbors, support ministry, and respond to needs around us.

If you believe in the mission and work happening through this congregation, you are invited to participate through your generosity today. Let us give with gratitude and purpose.

OFFERTORY SELECTION

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God, receive these gifts and the lives represented by them. Use what we give to strengthen ministry, serve our neighbors, care for people, teach faith, create community, and share hope. May our generosity become part of our worship and part of your work in the world. Amen.

Psalm 95 begins with celebration. Sing. Shout. Give thanks. Bow down. But then the Psalm changes. It asks people not only to praise God, but to listen. And then we hear one of the most striking statements in the

Psalm. God says of an earlier generation: They had seen my work, but they did not know my ways.

They had experienced what God had done, yet still struggled to understand and trust who God was. That raises a question not only for ancient Israel, but for anyone trying to make sense of faith: What do the stories of what God has done reveal about the character of God?

As you listen today, notice the movement of the Psalm: from praise, to relationship, to memory, to listening, to trust. Let us hear the Word of God.

SCRIPTURE READING (Psalm 95:1–11, NRSV)

O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! For he is our God, and

we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice! Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah, as on the day at Massah in the wilderness, when your ancestors tested me and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.

For forty years I loathed that generation and said, “They are a people whose hearts go astray, and they do not regard my ways.” Therefore, in my anger I swore, “They shall not enter my rest.”

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

After this next selection we will be blessed with a message from Rev. Touré Marshall.

SERMONIC SELECTION

SERMON: Rev. Touré Marshall

“If You Don’t Know Me By Now”

INVITATION TO RESPOND

Every sermon eventually asks something of us. Sometimes the response is faith. Sometimes it is repentance. Sometimes it is trust. Sometimes it is beginning again. Sometimes it is joining a church, asking for prayer, taking a next step toward Christ, or simply deciding that you need more time to listen and think. Today may leave us with a question:

What have I seen, heard, experienced, or inherited that might help me understand who God is? For some, that question may deepen a faith you already have. For others, it may challenge something you assumed about God. For someone else, it may open a question you have never seriously considered. And that is a place to begin. If you are ready to begin or renew a relationship with Jesus Christ, if you are looking for a church home, if you have questions about faith, or if you would simply like someone to pray or talk with you, we invite you to respond.

CLOSING HYMN

BENEDICTION

Go into this week paying attention. Pay attention to what you have experienced. Pay attention to what you have learned. Pay attention to the questions you are still carrying. For those who trust God, may what you have already seen deepen that trust. For those who are searching, may you remain open to what you may yet

discover. And for all of us, may we continue to listen for the voice of the Shepherd and learn more deeply the ways of God.

And may the grace of Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the presence of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Amen.

***POSTLUDE.**

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

R O S E V I L L E C H U R C H

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

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>
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