



ROSE RUN
PRESBYTERIAN



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Rose Run Presbyterian Church welcomes everyone to experience the love of God and share it with the communities we serve.



WE ARE GATHERED AT GOD'S INVITATION

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements

Three Chimes and Introit #701 "Lord Prepare Me"

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Amy Paulin

Liturgist: We gather in the name of the One who taught us to pray and to fast so that only our Father in heaven will notice.

All: Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.

Liturgist: As Jesus called the disciples to fast without show, with sincere hearts,

All: so we seek to bless his Holy Name in our lives as well as with our words.

Liturgist: We pray that Christ's kingdom come.

**All: and that God's will is done in our lives as well as in our world.
Amen.**

*Hymn #32 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Call to Confession

Liturgist: In this season of Lent, Christ calls us to sincere hearts and merciful lives. Let us confess our sin before God and one another.

*Prayer of Confession

O Lord, we confess that we often seek your attention and your blessing but wonder why we don't see what we hope for in the world—we fast and pray asking you to satisfy our will, but neglect to fulfill your will. We seek comfort while others endure sorrow, we pray for strength while others yearn for peace. Have mercy on us. Transform our fasting into compassionate action, our prayers into instruments of peace, our lives into testimonies of your love. In the name of Christ, who calls us to true righteousness, Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. Because of Christ's sacrifice, our sins are forgiven. Believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.



***The Gloria Patri - "More Like You" by Scott Wesley Brown**

**More Like You, Jesus, More Like You;
Fill my heart with your desire to make me more like You.
More like you, Jesus, More like You;
Touch my lips with holy fire and make me more like You.**

***Passing of the Peace**

Liturgist: The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Liturgist: Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

Please return to your seats during the singing of our Fellowship Verse - 306 "Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (1st Verse only)

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
That fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

WE PROCLAIM AND RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Time for our Children

Sally Watson

First Scripture Lesson - Matthew 6:6-18

Liturgist: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Second Scripture Lesson - Isaiah 58:3-9a

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon - "Fasting Like You're Feasting"

Call for the Offering:

Liturgist: Our Lenten fast calls us not only to deny our comforts but to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, and to bring hope where despair reigns. Let us present our offerings in faith, that through our giving others might know Christ's redeeming love.

***Presentation of the Offering (see Note on Page 6 about Offering)**

Hymn #606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

***Prayer of Dedication:**

Faithful Lord, accept these gifts and our lives as living sacrifices. Guide us through this season of Lent that we may grow into your likeness, embodying compassion and justice in your world. Amen.



Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Anthem - "You Are Mine" by David Haas

Rose Run Presbyterian Chancel Choir - Hector Garcia Santana, Director

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors,

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sung Response: 471 "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD AS CHRIST'S PARTNERS

*Sending Hymn #805 "Come, Sing to God" vss 1 & 4

*The Charge

Amy Paulin

Wherever you go, God is sending you.

Wherever you are, God is there working for good.

Christ who dwells in you has something he wants to do there

With you and those you meet on the way.

Believe this and go in God's grace, and love, and power.

*Benediction

*Postlude

Reminder to Members:

***If you haven't already, please remember
to take your lapel pins before you leave today!
The envelopes are marked with your name and are
located on the "Name Tag Table" in the Narthex.
Note: The envelopes are in alphabetical order!***

Thank You!



First Scripture Lesson - Matthew 6:16-18

⁶“And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ¹⁷ But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, ¹⁸ so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Second Scripture Lesson - Isaiah 58:3-9a

³“Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. ⁴ Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. ⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? ⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the repressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? ⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. ⁹ Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

Right Now Media - “The Narrow Path”

This spring, the **Small Group** discussions will come from material in Right Now Media (RNM). This is a free app for us, by using the QR code to the right to register. Once you have registered, you can also download the RNM app, so in the future you can click on the app to go directly into Right Now Media. All church members and regular visitors have free access to RNM. If you have registered before, you are still registered for RNM so you shouldn't have to register again. The program we will be using is called “*The Narrow Path*” and it is on the Rose Run home page of RNM. Just click on the photo of “*The Narrow Path*” and it should open for you. This will be our Lenten study from February to March. There is a study guide that Marilyn Tanius is developing. So register for RNM if you haven't already, and begin this very thoughtful and interesting, *Narrow Path*.



Invite Link: <https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/roserunpc>

Text Code: ROSERUNPC to 49775



WELCOME TO ROSE RUN PRESBYTERIAN

After the service, please join us for a time of Fellowship.

Whether you're just visiting or you're a long-time member, you're welcome to participate in any or all of our activities. There are opportunities here to feed your soul, strengthen your faith, and expand your spirit. You never know – you just might be home!

Prayer requests: Our Deacons pray for our members, our friends and our world each week. For prayer requests, contact a deacon or email: deacons@roserunpresbyterian.org.

Offering: We are presenting the offering plate for dedication with envelopes as an expression of the gifts given via many different means. If you'd like to make a gift, there is an Offering Box on the stand by the last pew or you can make a donation online at roserunpresbyterian.org/give.html

Christian Education for Children: If you have school-age children and are interested in learning about our ministries with children, please contact Elizabeth Gonda (gonda.1@napl.us) or introduce yourselves during our Fellowship after worship this morning.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 8

- 10:30 am - Worship - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Fellowship - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, March 10

- 7:00 pm - Deacons Meeting - Conference Room

Sunday, March 15

- 10:30 am - Worship - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Fellowship - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, March 17

- 9:30 am - Women's Bible Studies - Conference Room

Wednesday, March 18

- 11:30 am - Lunch Bunch - The Original Pancake House - E. Dublin-Granville Rd.

Sunday, March 22

- 10:30 am - Worship - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Fellowship - Pretzel Sunday - Fellowship Hall

Monday, March 23

- 7:00 pm - New Albany Winds Concert - Sanctuary



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Lunch Bunch is Back!

Our next Lunch Bunch is scheduled for
Wednesday, March 18, 11:30 am, at
The Original Pancake House,
6330 E. Dublin-Granville Road,
Columbus, OH 43081.

If you are interested in coming or would like
to make a comment about Lunch Bunch,
please contact Mike Stover at 614-973-8623 or
email him at mstover1951@gmail.com

Lunch Bunch is an informal gathering for members and
friends of Rose Run Presbyterian Church to share a meal,
conversation, and care. This free-form gathering (there is
no formal agenda) is open to all. This is a chance to get
acquainted with others in a very informal setting, each
person places their own order and pays for themselves.



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Pretzel Sunday March 22, 2026

*Please join us on
Sunday, March 22, at 11:30 am
in the Fellowship Hall to enjoy
Pretzels with all the fixins!*



Making a difference for those in need!

**Thank you RRPC for all your generous donations to the
NA Food Pantry for the Month of February!**



MARCH HAPPENINGS!

*If we all do a little,
it adds up to a lot!*

**One Great Hour
of Sharing**



Last Day to bring in Fish Coin Boxes is Sunday, March 29th!

Weekend Food Program (WFP)

Thank You to the NAMS Fight Hunger Club who will be helping us pack this month!

Mission Committee Members: Megan Campbell, Vicki Clark, Stephanie Dinsmore, Sheila Phillips and Val Robinson



THE SESSION

The Governing Body of the Local Church
Rev Bob Armstrong, Moderator / Carl Levander, Clerk
Class of 2026 - Elizabeth Gonda / John Monaghan
Class of 2027 - Dan Houser / Mark Koenig
Class of 2028 - Ronnie Robinson / Janet Fallon

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2026 - Terry Keller / Sarah Underhill
Class of 2027 - Carolyn Belisle, Moderator / Amy Paulin, Vice-Moderator
Class of 2028 - Jennifer Heilbrunn / Julie Novel

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Bob Armstrong - Pastor

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We extend a heartfelt welcome to our guests today; Our worship is richer for your presence. Please join us for a time of fellowship after worship. Rose Run Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), established September 18, 2018 by the Presbytery of Scioto Valley. Rose Run Presbyterian Church welcomes everyone to experience the love of God and share it with the communities we serve.