



ROSE RUN
PRESBYTERIAN



THIRD • SUNDAY • OF • EASTER
APRIL • 19 • 2026

**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 & Introit #750 "Goodness is Stronger than Evil"

**Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate;
light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death.**

Victory is ours; victory is ours; through God who loves us. (repeat 2x)

*Call to Worship (Responsive)

Sheila Phillips

Liturgist: The night is over, and the light is shining.

All: Let us walk in the light, for Christ is the light.

Liturgist: God's truth and grace will be with him.

All: Let us proclaim the risen Christ to the ends of the earth,

Liturgist: That even generations to come may know of his glory!

All: Let us worship God!

*Hymn #234 "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"

Call to Confession

Liturgist: For God so loved the world that God gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Amen.

*Prayer of Confession

Wondrous God, you sent Jesus Christ into this world that we would know your love and share your life. Yet we resist you, and fail to walk in your ways. Your good news becomes stale to us; we lose our wonderment over your power to conquer sin and death. We allow the cares of this world to rob us of our Easter joy. Cleanse our hearts, O God. Remind us that we belong to you. Nurture us in the life abundant, that we would grow into the full stature of our calling as your children. Give us zeal in our living, and keep us pure, that our witness may be true and vibrant in service to you through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Liturgist: Hear the good news: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. We are empowered to live as children of God. Amen.



***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

First Scripture Lesson - I Peter 1:17-23

Liturgist: This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

Second Scripture Lesson - Luke 24:13-35

This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon - Rev. Phyllis Heffner

A Statement of Faith

[Phil. 2:5-11 NRSV]

Liturgist: Jesus Christ, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus, every knee should bend, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God.
Amen.

Anthem - "Come! Live in The Light!" by David Haas

Rose Run Presbyterian Chancel Choir - Hector Garcia Santana - Director

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

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



***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise. Gracious God, you have restored us to new life in Christ, and have made his presence known in all times and places. Teach us his ways, so that we, too, may have the qualities of humbleness, gentleness, and compassion. O Lord, our God, preserve us in faithfulness and keep us true to the love which we feel for you and for one another. May our lips tell of your wonders, and proclaim every day the love of Christ. Amen.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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 #826 "Lift High the Cross"**

***The Charge**

Sheila Phillips

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**

In Our Pulpit Today -

Rev. Phyllis Heffner is a graduate of Drew University and Princeton Theological Seminary. She was pastor of the late, great St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, Columbus, Ohio, for 24 years. Phyllis has served on three Administrative Commissions of PSV, including the one that formed Rose Run Presbyterian. She says it's always a joy to worship with the folks at Rose Run.

First Scripture Lesson - I Peter 1:17-23

¹⁷If you invoke as Father the one who judges impartially according to each person's work, live in fear during the time of your exile. ¹⁸You know that you were ransomed from the futile conduct inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. ²⁰He was destined before the foundation of the world but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. ²¹Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your trust and hope are in God. ²²Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual affection, love one another deeply from the heart. ²³You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.



Second Scripture Lesson - Luke 24:13-35

¹³Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, ¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" ¹⁹He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. ²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." ²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. ²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.



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@napls.us) or introduce yourselves during our Fellowship after worship this morning.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, April 19

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

Sunday, April 26

- 10:30 am - Worship and Handbell Choir - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Church Potluck - Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, April 28

- 9:30 am - Women's Bible Studies - Conference Room
- 6:30 pm - WFP Congregational Packing Day - Mission Room

Saturday, May 2

- 11:00 am - Women's Celebration Brunch - Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 3

- 10:30 am - Worship and Senior Sunday - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Fellowship Hall and Senior Sunday - Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 pm - New Albany Symphony Chorus Concert - Sanctuary

Tuesday, May 5

- 6:30 pm - Session Meeting - Conference Room
- 7:00 pm - Confirmation Classes Meet With Session - Conference Room

Church Potluck!

Sunday, April 26, 2026, 11:30 am

Immediately Following Worship in the Fellowship Hall!

The Fellowship Ministry will provide the main course. A sign-up sheet will be in the Narthex on the center table for the congregation to provide side dishes, salad or dessert. Dishes need to be dropped off at the kitchen before worship starts.

Save the Date!

Women's Spring Celebration Brunch - May 2, 2026 - 11:00 am

Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex!



Making a difference for those in need!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Updated Giving Total = \$1,830.35

Thank You Rose Run Presbyterian Church!

APRIL New Albany Food Pantry Needs

This month, we are collecting the following food items for NAFF. Please donate and place items in the metal cart by the RRPC Mission Table in the Narthex.



- Canned Carrots
- Canned Peas
- Boxed Pasta (NOT Spaghetti)
- Coffee and Tea
- Deodorant (Men and Women)



LAST DAY TO BRING IN DONATIONS IS SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH

Thank you for helping those in need in our New Albany Community!

Weekend Food Program (WFP)

April 28th - RRPC Congregational Packing Day - 6:30 pm

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



THE SESSION

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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.