



ROSE RUN
PRESBYTERIAN



FIFTH • SUNDAY • OF • EASTER
MAY • 10 • 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) Bryn Challacombe

Liturgist: The Lord says, "Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb?"

All: Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you.

Liturgist: See, we are inscribed on the palms of God's hands.

All: We belong to the One whose love never fails.

Liturgist: Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find.

All: Knock, and the door will be opened.

Liturgist: Let us worship the God who is both just and merciful,

All: whose care for us surpasses even the deepest human love.

*Hymn #366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" vss. 1, 2 & 4

*Call to Confession

Liturgist: Christ teaches us not to judge, and yet we are often quick to notice what is lacking in others and, if we are honest, even in ourselves. Trusting in God's steadfast compassion—stronger than a mother's love—let us come honestly before the Lord and confess our sin.

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you call us to live with humility, mercy, and trust, which means we need to look up into your face and see your steadfast love and care. Yet, we find ourselves looking down on others, focused on the speck in their eye. Worse, we imagine that you look upon us with the same condemnation and judgement, because we fear to look you in the eye. Forgive us, O God. In Jesus you look upon us all with compassion. Grant us the courage to ask, seek, and know trusting that we will find evidence of your love all around. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.



*Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Hear the good news: The Lord who formed you says, "I will not forget you." In Jesus Christ, God meets us with mercy, removes our sin, and restores us to new life. Friends, 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 - Isaiah 49:14-18

Liturgist: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Second Scripture Lesson - Matthew 7:1-12

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon - "Hunting for Compassion and Steadfast Love"

Call to Offering

Liturgist: Jesus reminds us that our heavenly Father gives good gifts to his children. In gratitude for God's abundant provision—and in honor of the love we celebrate today—we offer our gifts for the work of God's kingdom.



***Presentation of the Offering (see Note on Page 6 about Offering)
Hymn #606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Gracious God, every good and perfect gift comes from you. Receive these offerings as signs of our gratitude and tokens of our trust in your provision. Use them to extend your mercy in the world, to bring hope where there is despair, and to reflect your steadfast love— a love that never forgets, never abandons, and never fails. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

**Moment for Mission - A Report on Visiting a Kairos Closing
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 #177 "You Are Mine"

The Charge

Bryn Challacombe

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.

**Anthem - "The Lord Bless You and Keep You"
by Peter C. Lutkin**

Rose Run Presbyterian Chancel Choir - Hector Garcia Santana, Director

***Benediction**

***Postlude**



First Scripture Lesson - Isaiah 49:14-18

¹⁴But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, my Lord has forgotten me." ¹⁵Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. ¹⁶Behold, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me. ¹⁷Your children hasten back to you, and those who laid you waste go away from you. ¹⁸Lift up your eyes all around and see; they all gather, they come to you.

Second Scripture Lesson - Matthew 7:1-12

¹"Do not judge, so that you may not be judged. ²For with the judgment you make you will be judged, and the measure you give will be the measure you get. ³Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? ⁴Or how can you say to your neighbor, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' while the log is in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbor's eye. ⁶"Do not give what is holy to dogs; and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under foot and turn and maul you. ⁷"Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ⁸For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ⁹Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for bread, will give a stone? ¹⁰Or if the child asks for a fish, will give a snake? ¹¹If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good things to those who ask him! ¹²"In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.



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/giving.

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, May 10

- 10:30 am - Worship and Celebrate Mother's Day - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Fellowship and Celebrate Mother's Day - Fellowship Hall

Monday, May 11

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

Tuesday, May 12

- 9:30 am - Women's Bible Studies - Conference Room
- 7:00 pm - Deacon's Meeting - Conference Room

Sunday, May 17 - Receiving the 2026 Confirmation Class

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

Wednesday, May 20

- 11:30 am - Lunch Bunch - El Rey Mexican Restaurant New Albany

Sunday, May 24

- 10:30 am - Worship and Pentecost Sunday - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Fellowship - Fellowship Hall
- **Remember to wear red today!**



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EXPERIENCE GOD'S LOVE

May Lunch Bunch!

Our next Lunch Bunch is scheduled for
Wednesday, May 20 - 11:30 am, at
El Rey Mexican Restaurant,
5525 New Albany Road, W, New Albany, OH 43054.

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.



Making a difference for those in need!



SUMMER FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE NEW ALBANY FOOD PANTRY

During the month of May, we are collecting the following food items for NAFFP. Please donate and place items in the metal cart by the RRPC Mission table in the Narthex.



- Canned Meat/Fish
- Canned Peas
- Boxed Pasta (NOT Spaghetti)
- Instant Oatmeal Packs (Individual packets)
- Individually Wrapped Breakfast Bars (cereal bars, mini cereal boxes, etc)



LAST DAY TO BRING IN DONATIONS IS SUNDAY, MAY 31st
Thank you for helping those in need in our New Albany Community!

Mission Ministry 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

Normally in the Office Monday-Thursday, please contact him for an appointment. He can be reached at: pastor@roserunpresbyterian.org or Mobile: (614) 585-2828.

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Debbie Oien - Ministries Coordinator
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Laurie Hill - Newsletter
Mark Koenig - Treasurer



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.