



ROSE RUN
PRESBYTERIAN



THIRTEENTH • SUNDAY • OF • PENTECOST
AUGUST • 16 • 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 (Psalm 63)

Chad Kurtz

Liturgist: O God, you are our God; we seek you; our souls thirst for you.

All: Because your steadfast love is better than life, our lips will praise you.

Liturgist: You have been our help, and in the shadow of your wings we sing for joy.

All: We cling to you, for your strong hand upholds us.

Liturgist: God gathers the stranger, remembers the forgotten, and gives the lonely a place among his people.

All: So we will bless the Lord as long as we live; we will lift up our hands and call upon God's name.

Liturgist: Come, people of God, and worship the One whose steadfast love shelters us all.

*Hymn #687 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past" vss 1,3&6

*Call to Confession

We ask God to shelter the vulnerable, welcome the stranger, and care for our neighbors. Yet sometimes, when God places their needs within our reach, we draw back. Trusting the mercy of the One whose steadfast love is better than life, let us confess our sin.

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious and covenant-keeping God, beneath the shadow of your wings there is mercy enough for us and room enough for the whole world. Yet we confess that we sometimes pray for others without asking how you might use us as part of the answer to our prayers. We ask you to comfort the lonely but hesitate to extend companionship. We pray for the vulnerable, but shrink from responsibility. We ask you to welcome the stranger, but guard the boundaries of our own lives. We desire your kingdom without always accepting the costly love through which your kingdom becomes visible. Forgive us, Lord. By your Spirit, shape us after Jesus Christ, who did not love us from a distance, but came among us, and gathered us beneath the shelter of your grace.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: the steadfast love of God is better than life. In Jesus Christ, God does not love us from a distance. Christ comes near, takes our need upon himself, and gathers us into the covenant family of God. And the grace that forgives us also transforms us. God gives us the Holy Spirit to teach us the way of Jesus and make us more like him—more generous in welcome, more courageous in love, and more willing to extend to others the grace we ourselves have received. 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

Since God has shown us mercy and patience, let us share Christ’s peace with one another. 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 - Blessing of the Backpacks

First Scripture Lesson - Ruth 1: 15-19

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Second Scripture Lesson - Ruth 4:1-6

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon - “The Man With Three Sandals”

Saint Teresa’s Prayer

**Christ has no body now but yours,
no hands, no feet on earth but yours.**

**Yours are the eyes through which
he looks with compassion on this world.**

**Yours are the feet with which
he walks to do good.**

**Yours are the hands through which
he blesses all the world. Amen.**





Call to Offering

Boaz prayed that Ruth would find refuge beneath God's wings. Then God called Boaz to spread his own cloak over her life. Our prayers and our gifts belong together. Let us offer what we have, trusting that God can make our generosity part of the answer to another's prayer.

***Presentation of the Offering (see pg. 6 note about offering)**

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

Generous God, everything we possess rests beneath the shelter of your grace. Receive these gifts and receive the lives that offer them. As you wove the faithfulness of Ruth and Boaz into a story far greater than either could see, take these ordinary gifts and ordinary lives and weave them into the purposes of your kingdom. May our generosity bear witness to Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

***Prayer for Pastoral Transition (All - See Insert)**

Moment for Mission - Communications - Karen Koenig

Testimony - Fellowship of the Extended Hand - Sally Watson

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Musical Meditation - "Amazing Grace"

Sung by Helen Mauney, Hector Garcia Santana, piano

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 - #39 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"**

***The Charge**

Chad Kurtz

**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

*Benediction Response - "Wherever We Go" (Sung - See Insert)

**Wherever we go, you're there; whoever we meet, you love;
Use our hands and our feet, our hearts and our lives
'til earth is like heaven above.**

*Postlude



First Scripture Lesson - Ruth 1: 15-19

The book of Ruth tells the story of Naomi, a widow from Bethlehem who lived in Moab, along with her two widowed daughters-in-law. When she decided to return home to Bethlehem, she urged her daughters-in-law to remain in Moab because there was nothing for them in Israel.

¹⁵So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." ¹⁶But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. ¹⁷Where you die, I will die— there will I be buried. May the Lord do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" ¹⁸When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her. ¹⁹So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem. When they came to Bethlehem, the whole town was stirred because of them;

Second Scripture Lesson - Ruth 4:1-6

¹No sooner had Boaz gone up to the gate and sat down there than the next-of-kin, of whom Boaz had spoken, came passing by. So Boaz said, "Come over, friend; sit down here." And he went over and sat down.

²Then Boaz took ten men of the elders of the city, and said, "Sit down here"; so they sat down. ³He then said to the next-of-kin, "Naomi, who has come back from the country of Moab, is selling the parcel of land that belonged to our kinsman Elimelech. ⁴So I thought I would tell you of it, and say: Buy it in the presence of those sitting here, and in the presence of the elders of my people. If you will redeem it, redeem it; but if you will not, tell me, so that I may know; for there is no one prior to you to redeem it, and I come after you." So he said, "I will redeem it." ⁵Then Boaz said, "The day you acquire the field from the hand of Naomi, you are also acquiring Ruth the Moabite, the widow of the dead man, to maintain the dead man's name on his inheritance." ⁶At this, the next-of-kin said, "I cannot redeem it for myself without damaging my own inheritance. Take my right of redemption yourself, for I cannot redeem it."



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!

Card Ministry: The Deacons have started a Card Ministry for members and friends. We invite you to add your name to a card at the "Noah's Ark" table in the Narthex - and let someone know you care!

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 Debbie Oien (debbie.oien@gmail.com) or introduce yourselves during our Fellowship after worship this morning.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 16

- 10:30 am - Worship and Backpack Sunday - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Ice Cream Social - Fellowship Hall
- **Return baskets filled with school supplies for Mission Ministry!**

Tuesday, August 18

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

Wednesday, August 19

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

Sunday, August 23

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

Sunday, August 30

- 10:30 am - Worship - Sanctuary
- 11:30 am - Fellowship - Fellowship Hall
- 4:30 pm - Monthly Youth Meeting - Tabor House

Tuesday, September 1

- 9:30 am - Women's Bible Studies - Conference Room
- 6:30 pm - Session Meeting - Conference Room



August Lunch Bunch!

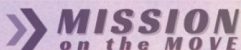
Our next Lunch Bunch is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 19, 11:30 am**, at
The Original Pancake House
6330 Dublin Granville Road
Columbus, OH 43081

If you are interested in coming, please contact Mike Stover at
614-973-8623 or email Mike at mstover1951@gmail.com

A Sundae on Sunday!

August 16, 2026 - 11:30 am

*After worship on Sunday, August 16, we'll celebrate the coming of the new school year and the start of the fall season with our annual **Ice Cream Social** - complete with sprinkles! There's something about ice cream that brings us together, so let's share a sweet treat and good conversation in the Fellowship Hall after church.*



Making a difference for those in need!



Time to pack the baskets for Avondale Elementary!

Sunday, August 9 - Grab a basket from a Mission member after Church and fill it with the stated classroom supplies.

Sunday, August 16 - Return the filled basket to a Mission member in the Narthex **AS SOON AS you get to Church.**

The Mission Ministry will be in the Narthex immediately after Church on **August 9 to distribute the baskets**. Please plan on taking one home to fill to help our Outreach at Avondale Elementary.

(If you want to help, but aren't available to fill a basket, you can donate \$50 and the Mission Ministry will fill a basket for you!)

Additional RRPC Summer Mission Giving



- Purchased Target Gift Cards for 70 graduating seniors in NA Bridges
- Purchased and put together 80 Back to School kits for the Franklin County Foster Teens
- Provided Back to School items for Avondale Elementary
- Donated \$250 to the Presbyterian Disaster Relief Fund in support of Disaster Assistance.

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



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THE SESSION

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Debbie Oien - Ministries Coordinator

Debbie Oien - Children's Ministry

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.

