



ROSE RUN
PRESBYTERIAN



RECEIVING
AND SHARING
CHRIST

TWENTY-SECOND • SUNDAY • OF • PENTECOST
OCTOBER • 18 • 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 - "Jesus Shall Reign" arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

Rose Run Presbyterian Handbell Choir - Stephanie Dinsmore, Director

Welcome, Announcements

*Three Chimes & Introit #468 "In My Life" vss 1 & 4

**In my life, Lord, be glorified; be glorified. In my life, Lord, be glorified today.
In your world, Lord, be glorified; be glorified. In your world, Lord, be glorified.**

*Call to Worship

Connor Berry

Liturgist: Come, people of God, and rejoice in the love that brought us here!

All: God's steadfast love reaches beyond all we can imagine.

Liturgist: God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.

All: In Jesus Christ, we receive the gift of new and everlasting life.

Liturgist: The light of Christ shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it.

All: In God's light, we find hope. In God's grace, we are made new.

Liturgist: Come, let us worship the God who loved us first!

All: With grateful hearts, we lift our praise to God!

*Opening Hymn - #366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" vss 1-3

*Call to Confession

Jesus tells us that God sent his Son not to condemn the world, but to save it. Trusting in that great love, we need not hide our doubts, fears, or shortcomings. We can bring our whole selves into God's light, confident in his mercy. Let us pray together.

*Prayer of Confession

Loving and gracious God, You loved us before we knew how to love you, and you offered us new life through Jesus Christ. Yet we confess that we sometimes forget the wonder of your grace. Like Nicodemus, we come with questions and doubts. We hesitate to trust you fully, allowing fear and uncertainty to overshadow our faith. Sometimes we forget that your love is a gift, not something we must earn. Forgive us, Lord, and renew our hearts. When our faith is small, help it grow. When we stumble, guide us toward your light. Through your Holy Spirit, shape us to become more like Jesus, reflecting his love, compassion, and grace in all we do. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.



*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News! God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, not to condemn us, but to save us. Through Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and given new life. By the Holy Spirit, God continues to grow our faith, guiding us to become more like Jesus in love, compassion, and service. 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

Sally Watson

First Scripture Lesson - Matthew 13:31-32

This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Second Scripture Lesson - John 3:1-21

This is the word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon - "For God So Loved The World"

Call to Offering

God's love is revealed in the greatest gift of all: Jesus Christ. We give not to earn God's favor, but because we have already received his grace. With grateful hearts, let us offer our gifts and our lives, that God's love may be made known throughout the world.



***Presentation of the Offering (see pg. 7 note about offering)
Hymn #606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

***Prayer of Dedication**

Generous and loving God, You have given us more than we could ever ask or imagine. In Jesus Christ, you have given us the gift of your love, the promise of forgiveness, and the hope of everlasting life. Receive these gifts as an expression of our gratitude. Use them to bring hope where there is despair, light where there is darkness, and love where there is loneliness. And as we offer these gifts, we offer ourselves as well. Grow our faith, deepen our trust, and open our hearts to the needs of others. May our generosity reflect your generosity, and may our lives bear witness to the Good News that you so loved the world. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Prayer for Pastoral Transition**

Gracious God, You have drawn us together and called us to share the extravagant love you have shown us in Jesus. As you have led us in the past, we trust you to lead us through this time of transition. Open the eyes of our hearts to see what you are doing among us. Prepare our hearts to welcome our future pastor, and prepare the person who will be called to Rose Run for the journey we will share. Keep us confident in your faithfulness, attentive to your leading, and open to the future you are preparing for us. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Anthem - "Surrender" by Marc James and Vineyard Worship
See Bulletin Insert for Lyrics

Seth and Joseph Olson, 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 - #634 "To God Be the Glory"

*The Charge

Connor Berry

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" (see below)

*Postlude

Wherever We Go

Wher - e - ver we go, you're there. Who - e - ver we meet, you love,
Use our hands and our feet, our hearts, and out lives 'til Earth
is like Hea - ven a bove!

KAIROS COOKIE MINISTRY OCTOBER 25, 2026

KAIROS is a Christian ministry in correctional facilities, emphasizing love symbolized by home-baked cookies. Dale Overmeyer and Cory Overmeyer appreciate the many bakers from this church who contribute cookies, as each team member needs about 100 dozen cookies to share over the weekend! We support both Dale and Cory in this ministry as they distribute these cookies to the men of London Correctional, along with the message of God's love. Scan the QR code and find out how you can contribute. Cookies are due on Sunday, October 25th. *"Many hands make light work."*





First Scripture Lesson - Matthew 13:31-32

³¹He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his field. ³²Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree, so that the birds come and perch in its branches."

Second Scripture Lesson - John 3:1-21

¹Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ²He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him." ³Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again." ⁴"How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!" ⁵Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. ⁷You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' ⁸The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." ⁹"How can this be?" Nicodemus asked. ¹⁰"You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things? ¹¹Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. ¹²I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? ¹³No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. ¹⁴Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him." ¹⁶**For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.** ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. ¹⁹This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. ²¹But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.



October Lunch Bunch!

Our next Lunch Bunch is scheduled for
Wednesday • October 21, 2026 • 11:30 am

**Braseros Bar and Grill (Mexican Resaurant)
5924 Old Hamilton Road • Columbus, OH 43230**

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

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 invite you to stop by the Card Ministry table in the Narthex and sign a card for a member or friend. A personal message of care means a lot.

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.

Enhanced Audio for Worship: We are excited to offer **Auracast**, a new Bluetooth technology that sends clear, high-quality audio directly to compatible hearing aids. You can now listen to announcements, sermons, and music with improved clarity by selecting our **Auracast** broadcast on your device. We also have receivers available at the back of the Sanctuary for anyone who does not use Bluetooth, ensuring all worshipers with hearing impairments can benefit from clearer sound. See Steve Thompson, or email him for more information: office@roserunpresbyterian.org



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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.

