



**KINGDOM COME**  
**THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE**



**ROCKY MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**FEBRUARY 16, 2020**



# ROCKY MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Glorifying God by making disciples who love Christ, his Church, and all people.*

## Welcome!

### VISITOR INFORMATION

During parts of our service, the congregation is asked to stand (indicated by a \* in the bulletin). We understand that some are not able to stand for various reasons, please feel free to remain seated.

Please fill out a contact card with your contact information and/or prayer requests. Place the card in the offering bag or give it to one of the ushers. If you have an urgent prayer request, you can email it to [admin@rmpca.org](mailto:admin@rmpca.org).

We love children and believe that God calls us to help them grow in the faith. Children's activity bags are available at the back of the sanctuary, along with a Cry Room. You are welcome to keep your children with you throughout the service.

**NURSERY:** downstairs is a nursery available during the entire worship service for infants and toddlers up to 3 years old.

**JUNIOR CHURCH:** children ages 3-5 may go downstairs to learn about the various parts of Sunday morning worship in a fun and age-appropriate context.

*Rocky Mountain Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O clans of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

**People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**

Worship Leader: Tremble before him, all the earth; yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

**People: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!"**

Worship Leader: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it! Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.

1 Chronicles 16:28-33

\* **King of Love**

Lyrics and music by I am They.

1. The King of Love my Shepherd is,  
Whose goodness faileth never.  
I nothing lack if I am His  
And He is mine forever,  
And He is mine forever.

2. Where streams of living water flow,  
My ransomed soul He leadeth.  
And where the fertile pastures grow,  
With food celestial feedeth.

**CHORUS**

**Never failing, Ruler of my heart,  
Everlasting, Lover of my soul,  
On the mountain high,  
Or in the valley low,  
The King of Love my Shepherd is,  
The King of Love my Shepherd is.**

\* **Greater**

Music and lyrics by MercyMe.

1. Bring your tired and bring your shame;  
Bring your guilt and bring your pain;  
Don't you know, that's not your name?  
You will always be much more to me.

Every day I wrestle with the voices  
That keep telling me I'm not right,  
But that's alright:

**CHORUS**

**'Cause I hear a voice  
And He calls me redeemed,  
When others say I'll never be enough.  
And greater is the One  
Living inside of me  
Than he who is living in the world!  
(In the world, in the world)  
And greater is the One  
Living inside of me  
Than he who is living in the world.**

3. Lost and foolish, off I strayed,  
But yet in love He sought me,  
And on His shoulder gently laid  
And home rejoicing brought me.

4. In death's dark veil I fear no ill,  
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me.  
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,  
Thy cross before to guide me.

**CHORUS**

**BRIDGE**

**Oh Hallelujah, Hallelujah!**

**CHORUS**

5. So through all the length of days,  
Thy goodness faileth never.  
Good Shepherd, may I sing Your praise  
Within Your house forever,  
Within Your house forever.

2. Bring your doubts and bring your fears;  
Bring your hurt and bring your tears;  
There'll be no condemnation here;  
You are holy, righteous and redeemed.

Every time I fall, there'll be those  
Who will call me a mistake;  
Well that's okay:

**CHORUS**

## \* Confession of Sin

Worship Leader: Father of mercy, cleanse us from our sins, and deliver us from our proud thoughts and our vain desires.

**People: We often treat your word and your commandments far too lightly. We always want your promises, but we hold back from walking in true and heartfelt obedience.**

Worship Leader: We're quick to desire lesser things, and we don't treasure your teachings as the apple of our eye.

**People: Lord, we come to you confessing our sin, confiding in your grace, and finding our refuge and strength through Jesus Christ your Son.**

## SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

Worship Leader: Lift up your heads, you who are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, and hear these words of grace.

### Words of Grace

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Psalm 32:1-2

## \* This Is My Father's World

Lyrics by: Maltbie D. Babcock.

Music: Trad. English melody;

Adapt. by Franklin L. Sheppard.

1. This is my Father's world,  
And to my listening ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world:  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;  
His hand the wonders wrought.

2. This is my Father's world:  
The birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white,  
Declare their maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world:  
He shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;  
He speaks to me everywhere.

3. This is my Father's world;  
O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world;  
The battle is not done.  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,  
And earth and heav'n be one.

## Offering

*If you wish to use the childcare downstairs at this time, we have a nursery for infants and toddlers, and a preschool class for 3-5 year olds.*

## Offering Song

### **Reformation Song**

Music and lyrics by Tim Chester and Bob Kauflin.  
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1. Your Word alone is solid ground,  
The mighty rock on which we build;  
In every line the truth is found  
And every page with glory filled.

### **CHORUS**

**Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone;  
Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone.**

2. Through faith alone we come to You;  
We have no merit we can claim.  
Sure that Your promises are true,  
We place our hope in Jesus' name.

### **CHORUS**

### **\* Doxology**

Music and lyrics by Charles Meineke, 1844.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### **\* Offering Prayer**

## Announcements

## Diaconate Ordination and Commissioning

3. In Christ alone we're justified;  
His righteousness is all our plea;  
Your law's demands are satisfied;  
His perfect work has set us free.

### **CHORUS**

4. By grace alone we have been saved;  
All that we are has come from You.  
Hearts that were once by sin enslaved  
Now by Your pow'r have been made new.

### **CHORUS**

*The Heart of the Matter*  
**Luke 16:14-18**  
**Kingdom Come: The Gospel According to Luke**

<sup>13</sup> No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

<sup>14</sup> The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.

<sup>16</sup> “The Law and the Prophets were until John; since then the good news of the kingdom of God is preached, and everyone forces his way into it. <sup>17</sup> But it is easier for heaven and earth to pass away than for one dot of the Law to become void.

<sup>18</sup> “Everyone who divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery, and he who marries a woman divorced from her husband commits adultery.

### **Sermon Outline**

Key Question: How does Jesus’ teaching on money fit with the Old Testament?

I. A Heart Issue

II. A Biblical Interpretation Issue

III. A Motivation Issue

Answer:

## \* **Thy Will Be Done**

Music and Lyrics by Derek Webb.

1. My God and Father, while I stray,  
Far from my home in life's rough way,  
Oh, teach me from my heart to say,  
"Thy will be done!"

2. Renew my will from day to day,  
Blend it with Thine, and take away,  
All now that makes it hard to say,  
"Thy will be done!"

3. If but my fainting heart be blest,  
With Thy sweet Spirit for its guest,  
My God, to Thee I leave the rest,  
"Thy will be done!"  
"Thy will be done!"

4. Then when on earth I breathe no more,  
The prayer oft mixed with tears before,  
I'll sing upon a happier shore,  
"Thy will be done!"  
"Thy will be done!"  
"Thy will be done!"

# **The Lord's Supper**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed

*All who trust Christ for salvation and desire to live for him are invited to participate. If that doesn't describe you, feel free to sit and reflect on what God may be saying to you through His Word.*

*Please come forward down the center aisle and return to your seat via the side aisles. Select either grape juice (in the clear cups) or wine (in the red cups). Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. After receiving the elements, we return to our seats to partake together.*

*Children who have not yet made a profession of faith are invited to come forward for prayer at a prayer station. If your child is ready to profess their faith, please speak with our pastor or one of the Elders.*

# **Pastoral Prayer**



## \* **Grace Unmeasured**

Lyrics and music by Bob Kauflin.

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1. Grace unmeasured, vast and free,  
That knew me from eternity,  
That called me out before my birth,  
To bring You glory on this earth.

2. Grace amazing, pure and deep,  
That saw me in my misery,  
That took my curse and owned my blame,  
So I could bear Your righteous name.

### **CHORUS**

**Grace paid for my sins  
And brought me to life;  
Grace clothes me with power  
To do what is right.  
Grace will lead me to heaven,  
Where I'll see Your face,  
And never cease  
To thank You for Your grace.**

3. Grace abounding, strong and true,  
That makes me long to be like You,  
That turns me from my selfish pride  
To love the cross on which You died.

4. Grace unending all my days,  
You'll give me strength to run this race;  
And when my years on earth are through,  
The praise will all belong to You.

### **CHORUS**

## \* **Benediction**

**Leader:** The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People:** **And also with you.**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **DENVER RESCUE MISSION DRIVE**

As we focus on missions and outreach this month, we will be collecting hygiene items for our local outreach partner, the Denver Rescue Mission. Children can bring these items to their Discipleship Classes on Sunday mornings, and we'll collect these items through the month of February. Check out a list of items we're collecting in the back of the sanctuary. If you have any questions, please contact Robin Van Lant (rvanlant@msn.com) or Helen Collins (dhmcollins1@comcast.net).

## **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE**

Please join us on Wednesday, **February 26** at 7:00pm for our annual Ash Wednesday Service.

## **SPRING DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES**

Our spring Discipleship classes will begin on **Sunday, March 1st**, at 9:00am. This spring's classes are: *Light, Love, Life: A Bible Study on 1-3 John*, taught by Tim Van Lant, and *Express Your Faith II: Coaching*, taught by Chris Weniger. If you would like to sign up for either of these classes, or if you'd like more information, please write your contact information on the sign up sheet in the back of the sanctuary, or email admin@rmpca.org.

## **SPRING MEMBERSHIP CLASS**

This March we will offer our spring membership class. The class is three weeks long, and will take place on **Sunday, March 8, 15, and 22**, from 9:00-9:45am at RMPC. This class is taught by our elders and will cover a brief history of Christianity, the history, mission, and vision of RMPC, our theological beliefs, and what it means to be a member of the church. This class is required for anyone who would like to become a member at RMPC. If you'd like to sign up for the class, or find out more information, please write your contact information on the sign up sheet at the table beneath the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary, or email admin@rmpca.org.

## **RMPC GAME NIGHT**

Join us on **Saturday, March 7**, at 6:00pm for a night of food, fun, and fellowship! You'll learn how to play *Bunco* in a friendly (and only slightly competitive) environment. We also invite you to bring some of your favorite games and teach others how to play. There will also be a finger food potluck. If you'd like to sign up for the event, to bring some food, or to find out more information, please write your contact information on the sign up sheet at the table beneath the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary, or email admin@rmpca.org.

## **COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS**

Read Luke 16:13-18, and discuss the following questions.

1. This passage was written to answer a key question: how does Jesus' teaching on money in v. 13 fit with the Old Testament? Why might the two be at odds? Have you ever asked this question? If so, what possible answers have you come up with?
2. According to v. 14, we may object to Jesus' teaching on money because of a heart issue: we value people's opinion more than God's opinion. How can the pursuit of money really be a pursuit of the praise and admiration of people? Is this something you struggle with?
3. V. 16 teaches that we may object to Jesus' teaching on money because of a biblical interpretation issue: we don't realize that the physical blessings of the Old Testament symbolized the spiritual blessings provided by Christ. Now that Christ has come, the physical symbols no longer apply. How does this solve the key question above?
4. When Jesus says, "everyone forces his way into it," he means that we have to fight to get into heaven. This world presents many obstacles to walking with God, so faith in Christ is a battle. What are some battles you have to fight? What temptations and obstacles to your faith do you face? How do you fight those battles?
5. What Jesus says in v. 16 may cause us to think that the Old Testament is irrelevant for today. Jesus corrects that assumption in v. 17. Although many of the judicial and ceremonial laws are no longer applicable, the Old Testament contains many principles that we can apply to our lives. What are some teachings from the Old Testament that are meaningful for you?

## **FINANCIAL UPDATE**

**From December 2019 through December 2019**

**Budget:**       \$27,946  
**Giving:**       \$29,103  
**Difference:**   + \$1,157

## **OUTREACH PRAYER FOCUS — Grace and Peace, Colorado Springs**

Grace and Peace Colorado Springs, led by Vince Hoppe, launched in March 2019. Their mission is to "seek the renewal of Colorado Springs by connecting with God, caring for others, and cultivating in the city for the glory of Jesus Christ." Please pray that God would use them to this end. And please pray that God would provide faithful leaders, wisdom, and financial resources for them as they get established.