Mark 1-6

A light Dawns in Galilee



ROCKY MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH March 9, 2025 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 Next Step card with your contact information and/or prayer requests. Place it in the box on the back table. If you have an urgent prayer request, you can email it to 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 downstairs. You are welcome to keep your children with you throughout the service.

NURSERY: There is a nursery available downstairs during the entire worship service for infants and toddlers up to 2 years old.

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

* Lord, For Your Glory

Music and lyrics by David B. Hampton, Matt Huesmann, and Grant Cunningham.

 Lord, for Your Glory We sing your praises. We magnify Your holy name. All for Your glory, Lord, we bring blessing. We seek to honor You all of our days.

CHORUS We lift our hands, We lift our praise to You. We worship all You are in spirit and truth. We give our hearts, We live our lives to You. We offer all we are for the glory of You.

2. Almighty Father, we are Your children. You have been faithful to Your own. Lord, for Your Glory we have been chosen. We lay down all we have Here at Your Throne!

CHORUS

BRIDGE We offer all we have, We offer all our lives for the glory of You.

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Lord for your glory.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Worship Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength. The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised.

People: For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?

Worship Leader: The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.

People: I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations, and sing to your name.

Adapted from Psalm 18

* Jesus, I Am Resting

Lyrics by Jean S. Pigott, 1876. Music by Tranquility, James Mountain.

 Jesus, I am resting, resting, In the joy of what Thou art; I am finding out the greatness Of Thy loving heart. Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, And Thy beauty fills my soul, For by Thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole.

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Jesus, I am resting, resting, In the joy of what Thou art; I am finding out the greatness Of Thy loving heart.

2. O, how great Thy loving kindness, Vaster, broader than the sea!O, how marvelous Thy goodness, Lavished all on me!Yes, I rest in Thee, Beloved, Know what wealth of grace is Thine, Know Thy certainty of promise, And have made it mine.

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3. Ever lift Thy face upon me As I work and wait for Thee; Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, Earth's dark shadows flee. Brightness of my Father's glory, Sunshine of my Father's face, Keep me ever trusting, resting, Fill me with Thy grace.

REFRAIN

* <u>A Debtor to Mercy Alone</u>

© 1998 Kevin Twit Music. Words: Augustus Toplady. Music: Kevin Twit.

 A debtor to mercy alone, Of covenant mercy I sing; Nor fear, with Thy righteousness on, My person and offering to bring. The terrors of law and of God With me can have nothing to do; My Savior's obedience and blood Hide all my transgressions from view.

2. The work which His goodness began, The arm of His strength will complete; His promise is yea and amen, And never was forfeited yet. Things future, nor things that are now, Not all things below nor above Can make Him His purpose forego, Or sever my soul from His love.

3. My name from the palms of His hands Eternity will not erase;
Impressed on His heart it remains In marks of indelible grace.
Yes, I to the end shall endure,
As sure as the earnest is given,
More happy, but not more secure,
The glorified spirits in heaven.

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*** CONFESSION OF SIN**

Worship Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.

People: Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Worship Leader: Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

People: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Psalm 51:1-4, 10

Silent Confession of Sin

Worship Leader: Lift up your heads, you who have been bought with a price, and hear these words of grace.

Words of Grace

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

Romans 8:29-30

* Your Labor Is Not In Vain

Lyrics and Music by Paul Zach, Wendell Kimbrough, and Isaac Wardell.

 Your labor is not in vain Though the ground underneath you Is cursed and stained. Your planting and reaping Are never the same, But your labor is not in vain.

2. Your labor is not unknown Though the rocks they cry out And the sea, it may groan. The place of your toil May not seem like a home, But your labor is not unknown.

CHORUS

For I am with you, I am with you. I am with you, I am with you, For I have called you, Called you by name; Your labor is not in vain. 3. The vineyards you plant will bear fruit; The fields will sing out And rejoice with the truth, For all that is old will at last be made new: The vineyards you plant will bear fruit.

CHORUS

4. The houses you labored to build Will finally with laughter and joy be filled. The serpent that hurts and destroys Shall be killed, And all that is broken be healed.

CHORUS (X2)

OFFERING AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Our offering box is on the table in the back of the sanctuary. You can also give online at https://rmpca.org/giving/. Fill out an online Next Step card at https://rmpca.org/nextsteps.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parents of 3-5 year olds can use this time to take your kids downstairs and sign them in for Junior Church - Bible lesson and craft activity.

BAPTISM

Sophie Ellison Scheidiger



SCAN HERE TO GIVE



SCAN HERE FOR NEXT STEP CARD

The Sabbath: A Burden or a Blessing? Mark 2:23-3:6 Pastor Shane Michael Waldron

²³ One Sabbath he was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴ And the Pharisees were saying to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" ²⁵ And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: ²⁶ how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?" ²⁷ And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. ²⁸ So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

¹ Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there with a withered hand. ² And they watched Jesus, to see whether he would heal him on the Sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³ And he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come here." ⁴ And he said to them, "Is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵ And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart, and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶ The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

Main Idea: Since Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath, he determines how we should keep it.

I. Works of Necessity

II. Works of Mercy

The Lord's Supper

Minister: On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine.

People: And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations.

Minister: He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces.

People: And the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

Minister: It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us.

People: This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Isaiah 25:6-9

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). After receiving the elements, we return to our seats to partake together.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Ingredients: Garbanzo Bean Flour, Potato Starch, Tapioca Flour, Whole Grain Sweet White Sorghum Flour, Fava Bean Flour, Water.

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.

* O Day of Rest and Gladness

Lyrics by Christopher Wordsworth. Music by Christopher Miner.

 O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light,
 O balm of care and sadness,
 Most beautiful, most bright:
 On Thee, the high and lowly,
 Through ages joined in tune,
 Sing holy, holy, holy,
 To the great God Triune.

2. On Thee, at the creation, The light first had its birth; On Thee, for our salvation, Christ rose from depths of earth; On Thee, our Lord, victorious, The Spirit sent from heav'n, And thus on Thee, most glorious, A triple light was giv'n.

3. Thou art a port protected
From storms that round us rise;
A garden intersected
With streams of paradise.
Thou art a cooling fountain
In life's dry dreary sand;
From Thee, like Pisgah's mountain,
We view our promised land.

4. Today on weary nations The heav'nly manna falls; To holy convocations The silver trumpet calls, Where gospel light is glowing With pure and radiant beams, And living water flowing, With soul-refreshing streams.

5. New graces ever gaining From this, our day of rest, We reach the rest remaining To spirits of the blessed. To Holy Ghost be praises, To Father, and to Son; The church her voice upraises To Thee, blessed Three in One.

* Benediction

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

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GENDER/SEXUALITY SEMINAR - SATURDAY, MARCH 22, 9AM - 12PM

Please join us on **Saturday, March 22, from 9am - 12pm,** for our latest equipping seminar, Gender/Sexuality Parenting Seminar, led by Pastor Chris Weniger. This seminar will be an exciting time of fellowship and understanding biblical concepts for gender and sexuality. This seminar may be especially useful for parents with kids in RMPC Youth Group. Sign-ups are in the back of the sanctuary or Church Center app. If you have any questions, please email Pastor Chris at chris.weniger@rmpca.org.

PALM SUNDAY CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We will showcase the kids singing during service on April 13 with the lyrics on the screen for the kids to follow. Short, 15-minute **rehearsals start March 30th at 9am** (during Discipleship class) and **again on April 6th**. If you have children aged preschool through 5th grade, you may have received an email and been added to the RMPC Children's Choir Group in Church Center with access to the song lyrics and recording. If you have any questions, please contact Director of Music Greg Upton (greg.upton@rmpca.org) or Director of Children's Discipleship Emily Lang (children@rmpca.org).

EASTER ADULT CHOIR

Please plan on joining the RMPC Choir sing at Easter. Rehearsals are on **April 6 and April 13**, immediately following service, to prepare for the performance on **April 20**. All are encouraged to join, including older youth! Please sign up through Church Center by joining the RMPC Choir Group or emailing Greg Upton. If you have any questions, please contact Director of Music Greg Upton (greg.upton@rmpca.org).

MISSIONS TRIP WITH CPI SUMMER OF 2025, LA PAZ, MEXICO

If you would like to help send a specific member of our team to La Paz or support the team in general, please use this QR code:



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OUTREACH PRAYER FOCUS – Redeemer Longmont

Please pray for Redeemer Longmont and Pastors Justin Chappell and Paul Ranheim:

- Redeemer Longmont has the opportunity to lease a large facility with a large fellowship hall, offices, classrooms, an outdoor playground, and kitchen. They are asking for wisdom and prayer as they consider this opportunity and financial investment.
- Redeemer Longmont has launched several small groups this fall. Pray for growth in enjoying God and each other through these groups.
- Praise that Redeemer Longmont is growing and will expand its Sunday RedeemerKIDS classes this year in response to this growth!
- That God would bless their final fundraising push as both pastors work to raise the necessary support so that the church can become self sustaining.

Justin Chappell

PASTOR OF VISION & STRATEGY



Pastor Justin Chappell and Family

• That God would bless Pastor Justin's and Pastor Paul's preaching and evangelism ministry at the church and in their community and provide the necessary resources that they need.

FINANCIAL UPDATE General Fund -December 2024 - January 2025

Giving: \$156,113 Budget: \$113,711 Difference: \$42,403

Faith Promise Pledge (Missions and Outreach) -May 2024 - April 2025 Giving: \$50,865 Goal: \$45,788 Building in Faith Campaign -October 2022 - January 2025 Pledged: \$995,597 Giving: \$885,352 Remaining: \$110,245

March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CG = Community Group JG = Journey Group • Interested in CG or JG? Contact <u>admin@rmpca.org</u> • For a full list of RMPC ministries, refer to <u>rmpca.org</u> , information table in sanctuary, or Church Center app.			26 Bradburn CG Noon	27 Broomfield CG 6pm	28 Women Pray 10am	1 Men's Fellowship 4pm-6pm
2 Membership Class Erie CG 6pm Arvada CG 5pm	3 • Youth Group 6pm • Beth's JG • Joe's JG	4 Emily's JG	5 • Chris' JG • Ash Wednesday Service 7pm	6	7 Women Pray 10am	8 Baby Blessing 10:30am-Noon
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