

ROEBUCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 17, 2017

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion —

to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor.

They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations.

Isaiah 61:1–4 (NIV)

THE LORD'S DAY

Morning Worship Service, 10:00 AM

PRELUDE & INTROIT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

†GREETING THE FAMILY OF GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP & RESPONSIVE READING Isaiah 61:1–4—see front of bulletin

INVOCATION & 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.

† WORSHIPING GOD IN SONG "The First Noel," Hymn 136

†CONFESSING OUR FAITH

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one

substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

"Gloria Patri"

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

WORSHIPING GOD IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS

†PRAISING GOD FOR HIS BOUNTY "The Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

† WORSHIPING GOD IN SONG "Hark! the Herald Angels Sing," Hymn 133

PASTORAL PRAYER

WORSHIPING GOD IN SONG, the Choir

Children 3 yrs. to 1st grade dismissed to children's church

THE READING AND PREACHING OF THE WORD "The Songs of Christmas: Simeon's Song," <u>Luke 2:22–35</u>

† RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE "What Child Is This?" Hymn 137

†BENEDICTION

Join us this Evening for our Children's Christmas Program at 6:00 PM. Refreshments to follow!

Confessional Thought for the Week

How is the sabbath to be sanctified? The sabbath is to be sanctified by a holy resting all that day, even from such worldly employments and recreations as are lawful on other days; and spending the whole time in the public and private exercises of God's worship, except so much as is to be taken up in the works of necessity and mercy.

Westminster Shorter Catechism 60

† Congregation will stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Children's Christmas Program is tonight at 6:00 PM. Please bring finger foods and desserts for afterwards.

Youth Group will not meet 12/24, 31, and 1/7.

Christmas schedule: Sunday, Dec 24: 10:00 AM communion service only (no Sunday School or evening worship); Sunday, Dec 31: Sunday School and 10:00 AM worship (no evening service). There will be no 5th Sunday evening worship this month.

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS:

Greeter: David Busch (we lock the church doors at 10:00 but the

greeter will admit you if you come afterwards) Nursery AM: Jennifer Amick, Libby Hughes

Nursery PM: Eddie & Mickey West

Church cleaning: Dan & Nancy Fulmer (before Dec 24)

NEXT WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS:

Greeter: Alan Washburn

Nursery AM: Phyllis Mauldin, Jennifer Lockman

Nursery PM: Tom & Kathleen Lindsey

Church cleaning: Dan & Nancy Fulmer (before Dec 31)

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING \$4,529.79 (weekly budget: \$1,840.77).

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2179 E. Blackstock Rd. (PO Box 284), Roebuck, SC 29376 Phone: 864.576.5717 Web: www.roebuckpca.com Sunday School, 9:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship, 10:00 AM Sunday Evening Worship, 6:00 PM Wednesday Bible Study resumes January 10

The Doctrine of Our Church

We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and life. We believe the doctrines of the Bible are best summarized by and contained in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Shorter and Larger Catechisms, which form the standards of the Reformed Faith to which we adhere. Roebuck Presbyterian Church is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

Church Membership

We believe that every Christian should be a member of a Bible-believing, Gospel-preaching church. The only requirement for church membership is a credible testimony of faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. You are cordially invited to unite with this church in worship, fellowship, and service to our Lord. If this is your desire, then please speak to the pastor or one of the officers. You may be received as a member by profession of faith, by reaffirmation of faith, or by transfer of membership.

Church Officers and Staff

Pastor: Richard Winston, 864-607-6165, richard.bbc@gmail.com
Elders: Rik Hollifield (Stated Clerk), Aaron Fulmer, Tom Lindsey, Donald McAbee, E. L. Outz
Deacons: Alan Washburn (Chairman), Lee Amick, Wade Bruce, Jonathan McAbee, Phillip McArthur, Tim Nelson, Eddie West
Music ministry: Joan McAbee (Choir director), Nancy Smith (Organist), Ava Hughes (Pianist)

Missionaries and Ministries We Support (quarterly)

Rev. & Mrs. Clete (Karen) Hux (ARC, Birmingham, AL)—\$200 Mr. & Mrs. Marc (Aline) Mailloux (MTW, International)—\$208 Mr. & Mrs. David (Robin) White (MTW, Atlanta)—\$208 Rev. & Mrs. David (Mary Beth) Ely (RUF, Furman)—\$200 Rev. & Mrs. Rick (Beth) Brawner (RUFI, Clemson)—\$200 Mrs. Alice Hatch (MTW, International Counselor)—\$208 Mr. & Mrs. Peter (Diane) Bakelaar (MTW, Japan)—\$200 Mr. & Mrs. Gerald (Debbie) May (TEAM, Japan)—\$100 Dr. & Mrs. Tom (Lucy) Wright (MTW, Africa)—\$208 Miss Becky White (MTW, Taiwan)—\$208 Child Evangelism Fellowship—annual gift Carolina Pregnancy Center—annual gift Gideons International—annual gift