



ROEBUCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 4, 2022

Endow the king with your justice, O God, the royal son with your righteousness.

May he judge your people in righteousness, your afflicted ones with justice.

May the mountains bring prosperity to the people, the hills the fruit of righteousness.

May he defend the afflicted among the people and save the children of the needy; may he crush the oppressor.

May he endure as long as the sun, as long as the moon, through all generations.

May he be like rain falling on a mown field, like showers watering the earth. In his days may the righteous flourish and prosperity abound till the moon is no more.

Psalm 72:1-7 (NIV)

THE LORD'S DAY

Morning Worship Service, 10:00 AM

BELL RINGING

PRELUDE
"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP & RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 72:1-7 (NIV)—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.

† HYMN OF PRAISE

"Angels, from the Realms of Glory," Hymn 218

† CONFESSING OUR FAITH

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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 & OFFERINGS

“Silent Night,” offertory

† 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.

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

† HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

“O Little Town of Bethlehem,” Hymn 201

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Matthew 3:1–3 (NIV)

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.” This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah: “A voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.’”

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 12:2–3 (NIV)

Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation.” With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

MUSICAL OFFERING—THE CHOIR

THE READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD

“Why God Delivers Us Through a Child,” [Isaiah 9:1–7](#)

† HYMN OF RESPONSE

“What Child Is This,” Hymn 213

† BENEDICTION

Philippians 4:7 (NIV)

And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

† Congregation will stand

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tonight the choir presents their cantata, "The First Noel: Born is the King," by Randy Vader and Jay Rouse. Please bring finger foods for refreshments afterwards.

The church will place memorial poinsettias in the sanctuary in December. Please give \$10 and a list of names to Marie Washburn by today.

The session and deacons have their joint meeting next Sunday, Dec 11. The elders will meet at 4:30 PM.

Upcoming RPC Christmas activities:

- Dec 11, 6:00 PM: Family Night Supper.
- Dec 18, 6:00 PM: Children's Christmas program with refreshments afterwards.
- Dec 25: worship at 10:00 AM with communion (no Sunday School or evening service).
- Jan 1: no evening service.

THIS WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS:

Nursery AM: Sasha Cunningham, KB Hunter
Bell ringer: Benjamin Winston

NEXT WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS:

Nursery AM: KB Hunter, Nancy Fulmer
Bell ringer: Grace Winston

LAST MONTH'S OFFERING (Nov): \$13,471.00 (monthly budget for 2022: \$13,583.00).

SERMON NOTES: Why God delivers us through a child.

1. Because God's warnings capture us (v. 1).
2. Because God's grace shines on us (vv. 2-5).
3. Because God's wisdom surprises us (vv. 6-7).

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STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH, EVANGELIZE THE WORLD
2179 E. Blackstock Rd. (PO Box 284), Roebuck, SC 29376
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Sunday School, 9:00 AM
Sunday Morning Worship, 10:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship and Youth Group, 6:00 PM

What does Roebuck Presbyterian Church believe?

Our foundational belief is that the Bible is God's Word, the ultimate standard for what we believe and how we live. The Westminster Confession of Faith and the Westminster Shorter and Larger Catechisms define our beliefs in key areas of Christian faith and practice. Adherence to the gospel constitutes the most essential mark of a Christian and a Christian church (Rom 1:1-7, 16-17; 1 Cor 15:1-11).

What is the mission of Roebuck Presbyterian Church?

Before Jesus ascended into heaven, he commissioned the church to "make disciples of all nations" (Mat 28:19). The ministry of the local church equips believers to fulfill this mission (Eph 4:7-16). Therefore, RPC exists to glorify God by strengthening believers and evangelizing unbelievers (mission). We strive to be a gospel-centered church that produces mature disciples for Roebuck, Spartanburg county, and beyond (vision). To accomplish this mission, we prioritize the Word and worship, shepherding and holy living, fellowship and relationships, and outreach and community service.

Church Officers and Staff

Pastor: Richard Winston, 864-607-6165, richard@roebuckpca.com
Elders: Wade Bruce (Stated Clerk), Aaron Fulmer, Rik Hollifield, Donald McAbee, E. L. Outz
Deacons: David Hunter (chairman), Lee Amick, Graham Brooks, Jonathan McAbee, Phillip McArthur, Eddie West
Music ministry: Joan McAbee (Choir director), Nancy Smith (Organist), Ava Hughes (Pianist)

Missionaries and Ministries We Support (quarterly)

Peter & Diane Bakelaar (MTW, Japan)—\$250
Brian & Missy Howard (RUF, Clemson)—\$125
Tom & Chané Hart (RUF, Furman)—\$125
Rachel Bauserman (MTW, Japan)—\$250
Clete & Karen Hux (ARC, Birmingham, AL)—\$250
Marc & Aline Mailloux (MTW, International)—\$250
Brian & Megan Moore (MTW, Germany)—\$250
Gerald & Debbie May (TEAM, Japan)—\$250
Tony & Janice Rogers (Metanoia, SC Prisons)—\$250
Becky White (MTW, Taiwan)—\$250
David & Robin White (MTW, Atlanta)—\$250
Tom & Lucy Wright (MTW, Africa)—\$250
Child Evangelism Fellowship—annual gift
Carolina Pregnancy Center—annual gift
Gideons International—annual gift