



## ROEBUCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 3, 2023

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 – DECEMBER 3, 2023

*Morning Worship Service, 10:00 AM*

### ***PRELUDE - 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 (1, 2, 4 & 5)

† **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**

† **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

† HYMN OF THANKSGIVING: “O Little Town of Bethlehem,” Hymn 201 (vs. 1,3,4)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Matthew 24:36–39, 42 (NIV)

But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Proverbs 28:13 (NIV)

Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

MUSICAL OFFERING—THE CHOIR

THE READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD: Rev. Mark Kozak  
“God’s Plans for His Church” – Matthew 16:13-18

† HYMN OF RESPONSE: “What Child Is This,” Hymn 213

† BENEDICTION

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE – 6:00 PM

Call to Worship

† Hymn: “Hark! The Herald Angels Sing,” Hymn 203 (vs. 1 & 3)

Prayer

Hymn: “Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming,” Hymn 221 (vs. 1, 2 & 3)

Scripture and Message – Rev. Mark Kozak

† Hymn: “O Come, All Ye Faithful,” Hymn 208 (vs. 1 & 3)

Benediction

† *Congregation will stand*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Dec. 10: **Deacon’s Meeting**, 5 pm

Dec. 10: **Choir Cantata “City of Light,”** 6 pm, followed by refreshments in the Fellowship Hall

Dec. 17: **Family Night Supper**, Fellowship Hall, 6:00 pm

Dec. 24: **The Lord’s Supper**, morning worship service (no evening service)

**REFRESHMENTS FOR DEC. 10:** Members are asked to please bring finger foods to share after the Choir Cantata next Sunday Evening, Dec. 10.

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR ROEBUCK ELEM. CHILDREN:** We have an opportunity to make Christmas brighter for some students from Roebuck Elem. School. If you would like to help, please take an ornament from the tree in the Narthex. Return the wrapped item with the ornament attached to the outside of the gift no later than Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>.

VOLU NTEERS:

Date	Nursery	Stream Team
Dec. 3	Brenda McArthur, Jennifer Amick	Grayson Fulmer (AM); David Hyslop (PM)
Dec. 10	Joyce Outz, Lydia Thompson	Jonathan McAbee

**LAST MONTH’S OFFERING:** November – Budget: \$12,634; Offering: \$15,768

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*Strengthen the church, evangelize the world.*

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Sunday School, 9 AM/Sunday Morning Worship, 10 AM/Sunday Evening Worship and Youth Group, 6 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**

Elders: Wade Bruce (Stated Clerk), Aaron Fulmer, Rik Hollifield, Donald McAbee, E. L. Outz  
Deacons: Graham Brooks (chairman), Lee Amick, Jonathan McAbee, Phillip McArthur, Eddie West  
Music ministry: Lorry Bruce (Choir director), Nancy Smith (Organist), Ava Hughes (Pianist)

**Missionaries and Ministries We Support (quarterly)**

Peter & Diane Bakelaar (MTW, Japan)—\$250; Todd & Shannon Buchner (CTC)—\$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; Shori & Saki Sunagawa (MTW, Next)—\$250; Becky White (MTW, Taiwan)—\$250; David & Robin White (MTW, Atlanta)—\$250; Tom & Lucy Wright (MTW, Africa)—\$250  
Annual Gifts: Child Evangelism Fellowship; Carolina Pregnancy Center; Gideons International