



ROEBUCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 17, 2023

Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God.

He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—he remains faithful forever.

He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

The LORD sets prisoners free, the LORD gives sight to the blind, the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down, the LORD loves the righteous.

The LORD watches over the foreigner and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

The LORD reigns forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD.

Psalm 146:5–10 (NIV)

THE LORD’S DAY – DECEMBER 17, 2023

Morning Worship Service, 10:00 AM

PRELUDE - ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP & RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 146:5–10 (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:** “God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen,” Hymn 211

† **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: “Go Tell It on the Mountain,” Hymn 224

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: James 5:7–9 (NIV)

Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord’s coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord’s coming is near. Don’t grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: Isaiah 25:9 (NIV)

In that day they will say, “Surely this is our God; we trusted in him, and he saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in him; let us rejoice and be glad in his salvation.”

MUSICAL OFFERING—THE CHOIR

THE READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD: Oliver Pierce

† HYMN OF RESPONSE: “Gentle Mary Laid Her Child,” Hymn 229

† BENEDICTION

† Congregation will stand

EVENING FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER – 6:00 PM
FELLOWSHIP HALL

All are invited. Please bring sides and desserts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

Dec. 24: **The Lord’s Supper**, morning worship service

Dec. 24: **No Evening Service**

Dec. 31: **No Evening Service**

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER TONIGHT: Members are asked to please bring sides and desserts. Come and enjoy an evening of fellowship and celebration.

VOLUNTEERS:

Date	Nursery	Stream Team
Dec. 17	Sasha Cunningham, Jennifer Brooks	David Hyslop
Dec. 24	Jennifer Brooks, Vivian Bruce	Vivian Bruce (AM)/Wade Bruce (PM)

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

ROEBUCK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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