

Rock Creek Fellowship  
Worship  
September 14, 2025  
9:00 AM

Prelude Song  
“Great is Thy Faithfulness,” Hymnal, pg. 139

Call to Worship  
I will extol the Lord at all times;  
his praise will always be on my lips.  
**Glorify the Lord with me;  
let us exalt his name together.**  
I sought the Lord, and he answered me;  
he delivered me from all my fears.  
**Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.**  
Fear the Lord, you his holy people,  
for those who fear him lack nothing.  
**The lions may grow weak and hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.**  
*(Selections from Psalm 34)*

Worship in Song  
“Yet Not I”  
1.What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer  
There is no more for heaven now to give  
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom  
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace  
**Refrain 1**  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me  
2.The night is dark but I am not forsaken  
For by my side, the Saviour He will stay  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need, His power is displayed  
**Refrain 2**  
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley, He will lead  
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me  
3. No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven  
The future sure, the price it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon  
And He was raised to overthrow the grave  
**Refrain 3**  
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me  
4. With every breath, I long to follow Jesus  
For He has said that He will bring me home  
And day by day I know He will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne  
**Refrain 4 (2x)**  
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to Him  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me!

Confession of Faith Brenda Theune  
Q/A. 51 How does the glory of Christ, our Head, benefit us?  
**First, by his Holy Spirit he pours out heavenly gifts upon us, his members. Second, by his power he defends and preserves us against all enemies.**  
  
Q/A53. What do you believe concerning the Holy Spirit?  
**A. First, he is, together with the Father and the Son, true and eternal God. Second, he is also given to me, to make me by true faith share in Christ and all his benefits, to comfort me, and to remain with me forever.**

Worship with Tithes and Offering  
“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”  
1. Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah  
Pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty  
Hold me with Thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore;  
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore;  
2. Open now the crystal fountain,  
Whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar  
Lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer,  
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.  
Strong Deliverer,  
Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.  
3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
Bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of deaths, and hell’s destruction,  
Land me safe on Canaan’s side.  
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee;  
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee.  
**Ending:**  
Land me safe on Canaan’s side  
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears (goodbye)  
Land me safe on Canaan’s side  
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears (goodbye)  
Land me safe on Canaan’s side  
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears (goodbye)  
Land me safe on Canaan’s side  
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears  
Goodbye

Prayer of Thanksgiving James Bevill

Welcoming One Another  
“Doxology”  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost.  
Amen

Confession of Sin  
Jesus replied: “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”(Matthew 22:37-40)  
  
Let us together confess our sin against God and neighbor:

Heavenly Father, loving King, our thoughts and motives cannot be hidden from Your sight. Our self-pity and pride, our cowardice and sloth, our greed and lust, our anger and envy are laid bare before Your eyes and

ours. We open ourselves to You and ask that You cover us in Christ. Let us hear Your voice saying His blood is our peace, His death is our freedom, His Spirit our power, His smiting our safety. And convince our hearts afresh that in Your service is perfect freedom. Amen.  
  
*(Offer silent prayers of confession.)*  
  
Assurance of Pardon  
Hear, receive, and rest by faith upon the promises of God to all those who repent of their sins and trust in Jesus Christ alone for all their confidence before God:  
  
“Whoever conceals their sins does not prosper, but the one who confesses and renounces them finds mercy.”  
(Proverbs 28:13)  
  
Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading Leigh Ann Theune

Zechariah 9:7b-12  
Those who are left will belong to our God and become a clan in Judah, and Ekron will be like the Jebusites. <sup>8</sup> But I will encamp at my temple to guard it against marauding forces. Never again will an oppressor overrun my people for now I am keeping watch. <sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion; Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.<sup>10</sup> I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River<sup>[a]</sup> to the ends of the earth.<sup>11</sup> As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit. <sup>12</sup> Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope; even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

Reader: The grass withers, and the flowers fall,  
**All: but the Word of our God stands forever.**

1 John 2:18-29  
<sup>18</sup> Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come. This is how we know it is the last hour. <sup>19</sup> They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with us; but their going showed that none of them belonged to us. <sup>20</sup> But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth.<sup>[a]</sup> <sup>21</sup> I do not write to you because you do not know the truth, but because you do know it and because no lie comes from the truth. <sup>22</sup> Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist—denying the Father and the Son. <sup>23</sup> No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also. <sup>24</sup> As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father. <sup>25</sup> And this is what he promised us—eternal life. <sup>26</sup> I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray. <sup>27</sup> As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit—just as it has taught you, remain in him. <sup>28</sup> And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming. <sup>29</sup> If you know that he is righteous, you know that everyone who does what is right has been born of him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon Pastor Eric  
The Joyful Invitation: “Remaining With Whom We Belong”



**Closing Song**  
“The Solid Rock (My Hope is Built on Nothing Less)”      Hymnal, pg. 526

**Benediction**

**Announcements**

**WELCOME VISITORS**  
We welcome you to Rock Creek! If you would like more information about Rock Creek, please fill out a “Welcome Card” located in the foyer, and place in the wooden box also located in the foyer. If you have any questions, please contact Kristen in the office: [Kristen@rockcreekfellowship.org](mailto:Kristen@rockcreekfellowship.org)

**FALL PICNIC AT HIDDEN HOLLOW**  
Join us Sunday, September 28 from 4:00-7:00PM for our annual Fall Picnic at Camp Hidden Hollow (**463 Hidden Hollow Ln, Chickamauga, GA 30707**). Gather at 4 for lawn games, swimming in the lake, and a barbecue dinner. Dinner will be served at 5:30PM.

- Bring swimsuits, lawn chairs, bug spray, towels, etc.
- **Pets are NOT allowed, so please them at home!**
- There are no lifeguards on duty, so please be prepared to carefully watch your kids as they play in the water.
- Please bring a dessert to share!

**Dinner Costs:** \$5.00/person or \$15.00 max for family. Register and pay online on our weekly ANNOUNCE. There is also a sign-up sheet in the foyer. You are also welcome to pay with cash or check at event

**MOVIE NIGHT**  
Young and old are invited to our next Movie Night at Durham this Friday, September 19, from 6-8PM. Enjoy pizza, popcorn, movie candy and the showing of [Treasure Planet](#) on the big screen. Bring a friend and join us for a fun night. If you have any questions, please reach out to [Kendra Tingle](#).

**GATHER AND SHARE**  
Please join Lisa and Eve for our first meeting of the new year of Gather and Share, Sunday, September 21st, 6-8 pm. All women are welcome to come enjoy a meal and hear stories of God's faithfulness to one of our women, who has literally lived all over the world.

We'll meet at Eve's, 4060 GA Highway 157, Rising Fawn, GA. Please be sure to RSVP to Eve 423.513.9224 or ever4buck@gmail.com ASAP.  
Note our start time of 6pm. We'll end promptly at 8. Y'all come!

**HEALING PRAYER**  
If you are in need of prayer, Elders will be available next week at 8:30AM to anoint you with oil and pray over you.

**NEW HERE?** Nursery is available for ages 0-5 during the worship service in the children's wing behind the Sanctuary. If you prefer to be with your nursing and/or crying child, please use the Quiet Room located in front of the Sanctuary. You are also more than welcome to keep your children in the service with you.

**GIVE TO RCF**  
There are several ways that you can contribute financially to Rock Creek Fellowship:  
1. Drop a check in the offering basket, 2. Mail a check to the church, or 3. Make a payment electronically using the QR code below.



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