

Rock Creek Fellowship
Worship
May 10, 2026
10:45 AM

Prelude Song

“Come and Welcome”

1. From the cross uplifted high
Where the Savior deigns to die
What melodious sounds I hear
Bursting on my ravished ear
Love’s redeeming work is done
Come and welcome, sinner, come.

2. Sprinkled now with blood the throne
Why beneath thy burdens groan
On my pierced body laid
Justice owns the ransom paid
Bow the knee and kiss the Son
Come and welcome, sinner, come.

3. Spread for thee the festal board
See with richest dainties stored
To thy Father’s bosom pressed
Yet again a child confessed
Never from His house to roam
Come and welcome, sinner, come.

4. Soon the days of life shall end
Lo, I come, your Savior, Friend
Safe your spirit to convey
To the realms of endless day
Up to my eternal home.
come and welcome, sinner, come

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

“Children of the Living God”

1. Children of the living God
Come and sing, sing out loud
Children of the living God
Sing to the living God.

2. Sing of the wonders he has made
Bird in flight, falling rain
Sing of the wonders He has made
Sing to the living God.

3. Sing of His gentle, healing hands
How they found the lowliest man
Sing of His gentle, healing hands
Sing to the living God.

4. Sing of the mercy that He gives
Though we sin, He forgives,
Sing of the mercy that He gives
Sing to the living God. **(Chorus)**

Chorus:

How He loves us with great love
He who sits enthroned above
For our lives He spilled His blood
Sent His Spirit like a flood
Children of the living God
Sing to the living God.

(Chorus)

5. Sing for the morning when He comes
In the clouds, glorious Son
Sing for the morning when He comes
Sing to the living God.

(Chorus)

Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and

for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one, holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

“Be Thou My Vision”

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that
thou art –thou my best thought,
in the day or the night, waking or sleeping,
thy presence my light.

2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me,
Lord; thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

3. Be thou my battleshield, sword for the fight;
be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
thou my soul’s shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me Heavenward,
O Power of my power.

4. Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou, and thou only, be first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

5. High King of Heaven, my victory won;
may I reach heaven’s joys
O bright heaven’s sun heart of my own heart,
whatever befall,
still be my Vision, O ruler of all.

Worship with Tithes and Offering

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

1. My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, ’tis now.

2. I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me,
And purchased my pardon on Calvary’s tree.
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus ’tis now.

3. I’ll love Thee in life, and I’ll love Thee in death,
I’ll praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath;
And say when the death dew lies cold on my brow,
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus ’tis now.

4. In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I’ll ever adore Thee in Heaven so bright;
And sing with the glittering crown on my brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus ’tis now.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sandy Shaw, Elder

Mission Update

Welcoming One Another

(K-3rd graders are dismissed to Children’s Church upstairs)

“Gloria Patri”

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

Confession of Sin

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

I complain too much.

I am too critical.

I am sometimes ashamed to speak of you.

Have mercy on me, a sinner.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

I can’t stop worrying.

I have spoken poorly of others behind their backs.

I have been short-tempered and severe.

Have mercy on me, a sinner.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

My heart is dull. My desires for you are tiny.

My awareness of myself is large.

Have mercy on me, a sinner.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

I am a “broth of false and true.”

I want you in my life. But I am afraid of too much of you in my life.

“Take my heart O Lord, for I do not know how to give it to you.”

Have mercy on me, a sinner.

(Offer silent prayers of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

“But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of His mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.” (Titus 3:4-7)

Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

Proverbs 4:18-19

The path of the righteous is like the morning sun, shining ever brighter till the full light of day. ¹⁹ But the way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know what makes them stumble.

Reader: The grass withers, and the flowers fall,

All: but the Word of our God stands forever.

Ephesians 5:1-21

¹ Follow God’s example, therefore, as dearly loved children ² and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. ³ But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God’s holy people. ⁴ Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking, which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving. ⁵ For of this you can be sure: No immoral, impure or greedy person—such a person is an idolater—has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.^[a] ⁶ Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of such things God’s wrath comes on those who are disobedient. ⁷ Therefore do not be partners with them. ⁸ For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light ⁹ (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) ¹⁰ and find out what pleases the Lord. ¹¹ Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. ¹² It is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. ¹³ But everything exposed by the light becomes visible—and everything that is illuminated becomes a light. ¹⁴ This is why it is said: “Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.” ¹⁵ Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. ¹⁸ Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to

debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit,¹⁹ speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,²⁰ always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.²¹ Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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

Sermon *Pastor Eric*
 Embodied Grace: *"The Moving Manner of the Dearly Adored"*

Closing Song

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

<p>1. O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.</p> <p>2. O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.</p>	<p>3. O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.</p> <p>4. O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.</p>
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Benediction

Announcements

PASTOR ERIC'S SABBATICAL

Pastor Eric will begin a sabbatical beginning next week and will return in mid August. This is a regularly scheduled sabbatical that the session grants to our pastors every seven years. Since this is intended as a time of rest and refreshment, he will not be present or in communication with the congregation. As needs arise, feel free to reach out to Pastor Brian, an elder, or our office.

GATHER AND SHARE

All women are invited to gather May 17 to share a meal of spring salads and ham biscuits and to hear from one of our favorite women, who is a study in contrasts. She is lively yet serious, laid back yet intense, teachable yet knowledgeable, accomplished yet humble. Y'all come! Bring friends.

Time: 6-8PM

Place: Eve Roebuck's, 4060 GA Hwy 157, Rising Fawn, GA. 30738.

RSVP: 423.413.9224 or ever4buck@gmail.com.

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT

All middle schoolers are invited to our Middle School retreat May 29-May 31. We are camping locally on church property and going on fun adventures like ziplining and rafting. We're going to have a ton of fun. We'll end Sunday morning at church. Let Paul know if you're coming.

THIRD SUNDAY HEALING PRAYER NEXT SUNDAY

If you are in need of prayer, elders will be available immediately following the service next week in the children's wing to pray over you and anoint you with oil.

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 cry 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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