

Rock Creek Fellowship
Worship
May 17, 2026
9:00 AM

Prelude Song
“And Can It Be,” Hymnal, pg. 347

Call to Worship

Praise be to you, Lord, the God of our father Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness and the power
and the glory and the majesty and the splendor,**
for everything in heaven and earth is yours.

Yours, Lord, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.

Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things.

In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

— 1 Chronicles 29:10-13

Worship in Song

“Come, Ye, Sinners”

1. Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, Full of pity, love, and power.

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;

In the arms of my dear Savior, Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

2. Come, ye weary, heavy-laden, Lost and ruined by the fall;

If you tarry till you're better, You will never come at all.

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;

In the arms of my dear Savior, Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

SOLOIST SINGS:

3. View Him prostrate in the garden; On the ground, your Maker lies;
On the bloody tree behold Him; Sinner, will this not suffice?

WOMEN SING:

4. Lo! th' incarnate God ascended, Pleads the merit of His blood:
Venture on Him, venture wholly, Let no other trust intrude.

MEN SING:

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;

In the arms of my dear Savior, Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

ALL SING:

5. Let not conscience make you linger, Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requireth Is to feel your need of Him.

I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in His arms;

In the arms of my dear Savior, Oh, there are ten thousand charms.

Confession of Faith Sally Worland
From the Heidelberg Catechism

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**A. That I am not my own, but belong with body and soul, both in life and
in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my
sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the
devil. He also preserves me in such a way that without the will of my
heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, all things must
work together for my salvation. Therefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also
assures me of eternal life and makes me heartily willing and ready from
now on to live for Him.**

Worship with Tithes and Offering
“I Will Sing unto the Lord”

I will Sing Unto the Lord

For He has triumphed gloriously
The horse and rider thrown into the sea

The Lord my God, my strength, my song
Has now become my victory

The Lord is God and I will praise Him
My fathers' God and I will exalt Him

Prayer of Thanksgiving Henry Henegar

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

**Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against
You in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved You with all of our
heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as
ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and
the good we have left undone. Lord, You are full of compassion and
gracious, slow to anger, abundant in mercy; there is always forgiveness
with You! Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; bind up that which is
broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our
souls. Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us so that we
love and serve You in all that we do.**

(Offer silent prayers of confession)

Assurance of Pardon

"Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus
came into the world to save sinners. He Himself bore our sins in His body on
the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; by His wounds
you have been healed." (1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Peter 2:24)

Scripture Reading Leigh Ann Theune

Exodus 33:12-17

¹²Moses said to the Lord, “You have been telling me, ‘Lead these people, ’but you
have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, ‘I know you by
name and you have found favor with me.’” ¹³If you are pleased with me, teach me your
ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this
nation is your people.” ¹⁴The Lord replied, “My Presence will go with you, and I will
give you rest.” ¹⁵Then Moses said to him, “If your Presence does not go with us, do
not send us up from here. ¹⁶How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and
with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people
from all the other people on the face of the earth?” ¹⁷And the Lord said to Moses, “I
will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you
by name.”

Reader: The grass withers, and the flowers fall,

All: but the Word of our God stands forever.

Ephesians 6:10-21

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹Put on the full armor of
God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹²For our struggle is
not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the
powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly
realms. ¹³Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes,
you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to
stand. ¹⁴Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the
breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵and with your feet fitted with the readiness that
comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with

which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of
salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this
in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. ¹⁹Pray also for
me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make
known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I
may declare it fearlessly, as I should. ²¹Tychicus, the dear brother and faithful servant
in the Lord, will tell you everything, so that you also may know how I am and what I am
doing.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Sermon Pastor Eric
Embodied Grace: “Prayerful Perseverance”

Closing Song
“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven,” The Ann Book pg. 28

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEN'S COOKOUT

Men of RCF, please join us for a cookout on Saturday, May 23 at 5PM at Durham Rd. The church will cater barbecue, but please bring a side, dessert, or drink to share. Let John Sadler know you're coming and what you'll be bringing.

GATHER AND SHARE

Come Gather and Share a meal *tonight* and hear our much-loved Lisa Brown recount her stories of God's faithfulness. Time: 6-8 p.m. Place: Eve Roebuck's, 4060 GA Highway 157, Rising Fawn, GA 30738 [Some have had trouble when using GPS. Look for the 6th driveway on the right past Camp Lookout]. It's never too late to RSVP: 423.413.9224 or ever4buck@gmail.com. Ya'll come! And bring friends!

NEW HERE? We welcome you to Rock Creek! 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.

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