

ROCK CREEK FELLOWSHIP

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FOR THE GLORY OF THE SKIES



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Psalm 40

1. I waited patiently for the Lord
He inclined and heard my cry
He lift me up out of the pit
Out of the miry clay

Chorus: I will sing, sing a new song
I will sing, sing a new song
How long to sing this song?
How long to sing this song?
How long...how long...how long...
How long...to sing this song

2. He set my feet upon a rock
And made my footsteps firm
Many will see
Many will see and fear **Repeat Chorus**

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

Psalm 130 (From the Depths of Woe)

1. From the depths of woe I raise to Thee

The voice of lamentation;

Lord, turn a gracious ear to me

And hear my supplication;

If Thou iniquities dost mark,

Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,

O who shall stand before Thee?

O who shall stand before Thee?

2. To wash away the crimson stain,

Grace, grace alone availeth;

Our works, alas! Are all in vain;

In much the best life faileth;

No man can glory in Thy sight,

All must alike confess Thy might,

And live alone by mercy

And live alone by mercy

3. Therefore my trust is in the Lord,

And not in mine own merit;

On Him my soul shall rest, His word

Upholds my fainting spirit;

His promised mercy is my fort,

My comfort and my sweet support;

I wait for it with patience

I wait for it with patience

4. What though I wait the live-long night,

And til the dawn appeareth,

My heart still trusteth in His might;

It doubteth not nor feareth;

Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed,

Ye of the Spirit born indeed;

And wait 'til God appeareth

And wait 'til God appeareth

5. Though great our sins and sore our woes

His grace much more aboundeth;

His helping love no limit knows

Our upmost need it soundeth.

Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow
From all their sin and sorrow

Confession of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended to hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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**

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**

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

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

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Follow the QR Code to make an online gift.



O Great God

1. O great God of highest heaven
Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme
Conquer every rebel power
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me
Make me Yours forevermore

2. I was blinded by my sin
Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within
Had no taste for heaven's joys

Then Your Spirit gave me life
Opened up Your Word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace

3. Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised
With my every thought and deed
O great God of highest heaven
Glorify Your Name through me.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Matt Brown, Elder

Announcements

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)

Old Testament Reading

1 Samuel 23:14-18

¹⁴ David stayed in the wilderness strongholds and in the hills of the Desert of Ziph. Day after day Saul searched for him, but God did not give David into his hands. ¹⁵ While David was at Horesh in the Desert of Ziph, he learned that Saul had come out to take his life. ¹⁶ And Saul's son Jonathan went to David at Horesh and helped him find strength in God. ¹⁷ "Don't be afraid," he said. "My father Saul will not lay a hand on you. You will be king over Israel, and I will be second to you. Even my father Saul knows this." ¹⁸ The two of them made a covenant before the LORD. Then Jonathan went home, but David remained at Horesh.

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

New Testament Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:4-11

⁴ But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. ⁵ You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. ⁶ So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober. ⁷ For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. ⁹ For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁰ He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. ¹¹ Therefore

encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

Sermon

Pastor Eric

One-Anothering: *"Giving and Receiving the Fortifying Sturdiness of Encouragement"*

Closing Song

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

1. Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken, thou, from hence, my all shalt be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought, or hoped, or known;
Yet how rich is my condition, God and heaven are still my own!

2. Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior,
too; Human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like them,
untrue; O, while Thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love,
and might, Foes may hate, and friends disown me; Show Thy face,
and all is bright.

3. Man may trouble and distress me, 'Twill but drive me to Thy
breast; Life with trials hard may press me, Heaven will bring me
sweeter rest. O 'tis not in grief to harm me, while Thy love is left to
me; O 'twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with
Thee.

4. Go, then, earthly fame and treasure, come disaster, scorn and
pain In Thy service, pain is pleasure, with Thy favor, loss is gain
I have called Thee Abba Father, I have stayed my heart on Thee
Storms may howl, and clouds may gather; all must work for good
to me.

5. Soul, then know thy full salvation; Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station, something still to do or bear.

Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father's smiles are
thine, Think that Jesus died to win thee, child of heaven, canst
thou repine.

6. Haste thee on from grace to glory, Armed by faith and winged
by prayer; Heaven's eternal days before thee, God's own hand
shall guide us there. Soon shall close thy earthly mission, Soon
shall pass thy pilgrim days, Hope shall change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

Benediction

Announcements

FALL PICNIC AT HIDDEN HOLLOW

Join us next Sunday, September 27 from 4:30-7:00PM for our annual Fall Picnic at Camp Hidden Hollow (463 Hidden Hollow Ln, Chickamauga, GA 30707). Gather at 4:30 for lawn games, swimming in the lake, and a barbecue dinner. Dinner will be served at 5:30PM.

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

Dinner Costs: \$5.00 child/\$7.00 adult/\$15.00 for family. Use the QR code below to register.



HEALING PRAYER

If you need prayer for any reason, our elders would be privileged to pray over you and anoint you with oil immediately following the service today in the children's wing.

MOVIE NIGHT AT RCF DURHAM

Join us Friday, October 2 from 6-8PM at RCF Durham for the showing of *Toy Story 5* on the big screen. We'll have pizza, popcorn, candy and so much fun. If you have any questions, please reach out to [Melinda Redberg](#).

RCF HAPPENINGS 2026-2027

If you're curious about bible studies, small groups and other events at RCF, please take a look at [RCF Happenings](#) on the table in the foyer to see all that is going on at Rock Creek this year. We would love for you to take part in as much as you are able. If you have any questions, please reach out to Kristen in the office.

MISSIONS UPDATE

Curious about Missions at Rock Creek Fellowship? Please check out the "International Missions at Rock Creek Fellowship" flyer on the foyer table. It has info. on our current missionaries and ways to be involved.

TEXTING UPDATES

If you are not receiving texts from RCF, please use the QR code on page 2 of this bulletin and "consent to receive" texts. These texts are sent out from our office with bulletin links on Saturday evenings, occasional upcoming event deadlines, and most importantly inclement weather or emergency announcements.

***Please note: these texts are not the same as Pastor Eric's Saturday evening prayer texts, so if you receive his texts, you still must consent to receive ones from our office.*



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