



Rocky  
Mountain  
Community  
Church, PCA

*Welcome to Rocky Mountain Community Church's Congregation*

We're glad you're with us today! If you want to know more about us or if you have any questions, we want to help. There are always leaders up front near the stage at the end of the service to talk with you, pray with you, and help you in any way they can.

*Vision of RMCC*

A community by grace loving the Lord Jesus and making him known

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE LORD'S DAY

MARCH 19, 2017

## WORSHIP REFLECTION

*“To be a Christian means to forgive the inexcusable, because God has forgiven the inexcusable in you.” —C.S. Lewis, “On Forgiveness,” *The Weight of Glory**

## WORSHIP THEME

*The Lord, Compassionate and Gracious, Slow to Anger*

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

CALL TO WORSHIP-- Psalm 103:1-4 Pastor Rolf Meintjes

Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
    **and all that is within me, bless his holy name!**  
Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
    **and forget not all his benefits,**  
Who forgives all your iniquity,  
    **who heals all your diseases,**  
who redeems your life from the pit,  
    **who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT TO HELP US WORSHIP

## OUR RESPONSE

SONG

### OUR GREAT GOD

By Fernando Ortega

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown;  
Your boundless love, unfailing, in grace and mercy shown.  
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne;  
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone. \*

*Chorus:*

\*Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!  
Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

*(Repeat chorus twice at the end)*

Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm.  
Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms.  
Our cold and ruthless Enemy, his pleasure is our harm.  
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our Sovereign God.\*

Let ev'ry creature in the sea and ev'ry flying bird,  
Let ev'ry mountain, ev'ry field and valley of the earth,  
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe  
Sing praises to the Living God who rules them by His Word.\*

## GOD SPEAKS TO US—SCRIPTURE READING: John 1:1-18—Elder Sam Reck

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. <sup>4</sup>In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. <sup>8</sup>He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.

<sup>9</sup>The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup>He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. <sup>12</sup>But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

<sup>14</sup>And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. <sup>15</sup>(John bore witness about him, and cried out, “This was he of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.’”) <sup>16</sup>For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. <sup>17</sup>For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.

## OUR RESPONSE

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your unfailing love;  
according to your great compassion  
blot out my transgressions.

Lord, have mercy on me.

Wash away all my iniquity  
and cleanse me from my sin.

Lord, have mercy on me.

For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is always before.

Lord, have mercy on me.

Against you, you only have I sinned  
and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you are proved right when you speak  
and justified when you judge.

Lord, have mercy on me.

### SILENT CONFESSION

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

### PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

*“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9*

## OUR RESPONSE

### PASTORAL PRAYER

*IN UNISON:*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.  
For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.  
Amen.



SONG

**HEAR MY CRY!**

PSALM 130

(Pear Tree Hymnal, page 18)

From the depths, O Lord, I cry.  
Listen to the cry of my heart.  
If you kept a record of sins, who could stand?  
My hope is in your unfailing love for me.

*Chorus:*

\*I'm calling out, "Where are you, Lord?"  
In the darkest midnight!  
Don't turn your face away from me  
When I'm weak and helpless,  
O Lord, O Lord,  
O Lord, hear my cry!

As the watchman waits for the morn,  
Even so my soul waits for you.  
In your Word I put all my hope.  
I will trust in your unfailing love for me.\*

Trudy E. Poirier

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*Training Children to Worship—*

*invites children ages 4 to 7 downstairs for the TCW Lesson during the sermon*

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

SERMON TITLE: *Show Me Your Glory!*

SPEAKER: Pastor Alfred Poirier

SERMON SCRIPTURE: Exodus 33:18-34:9 / will also read Exodus 33:1-6, 12-17

SERMON SERIES: The Gospel According to Moses

<sup>18</sup> Moses said, "Please show me your glory." <sup>19</sup> And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you and will proclaim before you my name 'The LORD.' And I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. <sup>20</sup> But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for man shall not see me and live." <sup>21</sup> And the LORD said, "Behold, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock,<sup>22</sup> and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by. <sup>23</sup> Then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back, but my face shall not be seen."

<sup>1</sup> The LORD said to Moses, "Cut for yourself two tablets of stone like the first, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. <sup>2</sup> Be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai, and present yourself there to me on the top of the mountain. <sup>3</sup> No one shall come up with you, and let no one be seen throughout all the mountain. Let no flocks or herds graze opposite that mountain." <sup>4</sup> So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the first. And he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand two tablets of stone. <sup>5</sup> The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. <sup>6</sup> The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, <sup>7</sup> keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." <sup>8</sup> And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped. <sup>9</sup> And he said, "If now I have found favor in your sight, O Lord, please let the Lord go in the midst of us, for it is a stiff-necked people, and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance."

Outline:

1. Moses' Cry, 33:18; 33:1-6, 12-17

2. God's Answer, 33:19; 34:5-7

3. Moses' Prayer, 34:8-9

## Discussion Questions

1. What does the world say are the biggest, deepest problems we face?  
Exodus 32-34 gives us God's answer to man's greatest predicament.  
Exodus 33:18 "Show me your glory" is a cry rising from a dilemma Moses faces.  
What is that dilemma?  
  
What makes God's dwelling with Israel a problem, the chief problem and predicament of human existence?  
  
How aware are people of their real problem?
2. Exodus 33:19 God answered Moses by declaring that He is free to show mercy on whomever he wants to show mercy.  
Why might that seem unjust to people?  
  
Why is God's freedom in showing mercy not a matter of justice?  
  
Or, to ask this another way: What would we all get from God if he gave us exactly what we deserve—justice?
3. Exodus 34:5-7a reveals God's glory concentrated in his mercy to a stiff-necked, undeserving, adulterous, idolatrous people.  
Why ought that make you worship God better?  
  
How can you take this truth and pray boldly for the lost?

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER—Pastor Rolf Meintjes

Heidelberg Catechism, QA 56

Q. What do you believe concerning “the forgiveness of sins”?

A. I believe that God, because of Christ's atonement,  
will never hold against me any of my sins  
nor my sinful nature  
which I need to struggle against all my life.  
Rather, in his grace  
God grants me the righteousness of Christ  
to free me forever from judgment.

*In Preparation for the Bread & Wine:*

*For those who are Christians*

*RMCC Communing Members* are welcome at this table. For our younger members who've not been interviewed by your elders, watch and listen carefully as the elements are passed, but withhold for now.

*Guests from other Christian churches* are invited to partake with us (your children, too, if they have been baptized and publicly professed faith).

All should prepare your hearts by self-examination and prayer (1 Cor. 11). If you're in conflict, though, and refusing to seek reconciliation, Christ says, “First, go and be reconciled.” (Mt 5)

*If you are not a Christian*

We are delighted to have you with us today! We ask you not to partake of the bread and wine but instead use this time to consider the claims that you've heard this morning and reflect on this invitation: “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.” (Mt 11:28-29)

If you have any questions, please speak to any of our pastors or elders in the front of the sanctuary after the service today.

PRAYER & DISTRIBUTION OF BREAD WITH SINGING

**BLESS THE LORD, MY SOUL**

By: Jacques Berthie

**\*All:** Bless the Lord, my soul,  
And bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul,  
Who leads me into life.

**Leader:** It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
Who heals every one of your ills,  
Who redeems your life from the grave,  
Who crowns you with love and compassion.\*

**Leader:** The Lord is compassion and love,  
Slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
He does not treat us according to our sins,  
Nor repay us according to our faults.\*

**Leader:** As a father has compassion on his children,  
The Lord has pity on those who fear him,  
For he knows of what we are made,  
He remembers that we are dust.\*

PRAYER & DISTRIBUTION OF WINE WITH SINGING

**LET YOUR BLOOD IN MERCY POURED**

Greek Hymn / Chorus & Music by Trudy Poirier

John 6:35

(Pear Tree Hymnal page 46)

Let your blood in mercy poured,  
Let your gracious body broken,  
Be to me, O sov'reign Lord,  
Of your boundless love the token.

*Chorus:*

\*Let the crumbs of mercy fall  
From your table to me, Lord.  
Weary sinner that I am,  
I now give myself to you.

You did die that I might live,  
Blessed Lord, you came to save me;  
All that love of God could give,  
Jesus by his sorrows gave me.\*

By the thorns that crowned your brow,  
By the spearwound and the nailing,  
By the cup of suffering,  
I now claim your love unfailing.\*

Will you own the gift I bring?  
All my penitence I give you;  
You are my exalted King,  
By your boundless love forgive me.\*

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## OUR RESPONSE

CLOSING SONG

### TO HIM WHO SITS ON THE THRONE

By Debbye Graafsma

To him who sits on the throne  
And unto the Lamb,  
To him who sits on the throne  
And unto the Lamb  
Be blessing and honor  
And glory and power forever,  
Be blessing and honor  
And glory and power forever.

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

BENEDICTION

*Following the worship service, elders will be available at the front of the sanctuary to talk with you, pray for you, or answer any questions you may have. Visitors, please join us for coffee and tea down the hall at the kitchen counter.*



## RMCC WEEKLY CALENDAR

<i>Today:</i>	5:00 p.m.	RMCC Men's Basketball Game @ Lewis & Clark Middle School
<i>Tuesday:</i>	6:30 a.m.	Men's Prayer Time @ Church
	6:45 a.m.	Elders' Prayer Time @ Church
	4:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study @ Church
	7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study ( <i>Good &amp; Angry</i> ) @ Kristin Barrie's Home
<i>Wednesday:</i>	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study ( <i>Good &amp; Angry</i> ) @ Church
	12:00 p.m.	Announcements Due in Church Office
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Group @ Church
<i>Thursday:</i>	4:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study ( <i>Art of Dying</i> )
<i>Saturday:</i>	9:30 a.m.	Symphony @ Rich Mattson Home
	1:00 p.m.	Children's Palm Sunday Choir Rehearsal @ Church
<i>Sunday:</i>	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service —Pastor Jason Barrie preaching (Mark 4:1-20)

## KEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Highlights Below—

For complete information see announcements

(Hard copies in Foyer and on our website at [www.rmccmontana.org](http://www.rmccmontana.org))

**\*Children's Palm Sunday Choir—Sign Up in Foyer**

**\*RMCC Men's Basketball Team—TODAY, March 19th @ 5 PM  
Lewis & Clark Middle School**

**\*LaVie Baby Bottle Campaign—Filled Bottles Due Back Next Sunday, March 26th**

**\*Missions Breakfast—Meet Pastor Ayub, Saturday, March 25th @ 8:30 AM**

**\*Men's & Co-ed Softball—Sign-up in Foyer**

[www.rmccmontana.org](http://www.rmccmontana.org)

406-259-7811

9 AM Sunday School / 10 AM Worship Service

## TODAY AT RMCC

**Greeters:** Hubley Small Group

**Lord's Supper Servers:** Marble, D. Mattson, Sholley, Skiles, Smith, Strong

**Ushers:** Lewis Vowell, Jerry Elliott, Rick Friesen

**Reader:** Sam Reck

**Nursery:** Bobi Charette\*, Jake Haan, Amy Petsch, Linda Schick Tanz,  
Linda Benson, Donna Holden, Cindy Zimmer

**TCW:** Marianne, Addi & Grace Mattson

George & Maddie Fink

Admin: Linda Henderson

**King's Cupbearers:** Ava Prociw, Evelyn Reck, Abigail Strong, Bailey Mattson,  
Grace Mattson, Grace McGinnis

## NEXT SUNDAY AT RMCC

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 AM

—Pastor Jason Barrie preaching (Mark 4:1-20)

**Lord's Supper Servers:** Barthel, Brook, Petsch, Reck, Schaner, Vowell

**Reader:** Jeremy Carlson

**Ushers:** Greg Oliphant, Frank Witt, Ernie Jennings

**Greeters:** Reck Small Group

**Nursery:** Andrew\* & Jennie Strong, Elizabeth Henderson, Debbie McCormick,  
Sam & Loree Reck, Emily Skiles

**TCW:** Dan, Alexis & Lynne Cain

Kelly Latham & Theresa Goudy

Admin: TaraLee Mattson

**King's Cupbearers:** Seth, Boaz & Corrie Meintjes, Raleigh & Claire Kindsfater

*There is an offering box provided in the foyer for those who wish to worship God with their tithes and offerings. Special offering (i.e. missions, diaconal) envelopes are available above the offering box or make a note on the memo of your check to have it applied to the special offering. If you would like to become a member of this church, or find out more about what we believe, please call the church office at 259-7811.*



## KEEPING IN TOUCH

*Please leave on your chair or place in the  
Prayer Request box in the foyer*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Home # \_\_\_\_\_

Work # \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

- Add me to the address/phone directory
- Check if new address or phone
- Add me to the E-mail announcement list

Attending Today: \_\_Adults\_\_ Children

- Member
- First Time Visitor
- Guest
- Visit Frequently
- Regularly Attend

*How did you hear about RMCC?*

- Friend/Relative
- Special Events
- Pilgrim Radio
- Mailing
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

*Specific Requests:*

- Send me more information about RMCC.
- I'd like to learn more about Jesus; I'd like to know how God can forgive me of my sin and give me eternal life.
- I'd like an elder to call me.
- I am interested in joining a small group.
- I'd like help with a conflict.
- I'd like you to pray for me. (Over)

## LET US SERVE YOU

### Pastoral Staff

Jason W. Barrie  
Rolf D. Meintjes  
Alfred J. Poirier

### Support Staff

*Office Administrator*  
Tami Haan

*Treasurer*

Kerry Lou Smith

*Facilities Manager*  
Jeff Gray

### Elders

Jeremy Carlson	Rich Mattson
Dom Feralio	David Petsch
Steve Hubley	Sam Reck
Jeff Laverman	Frank Schaner
Andrew Marble	Erik Smith
Daniel Mattson	

### Deacons

Fred Barthel	Jon Sholley
Gary Brook	Steve Skiles
Jeff Goudy	Andrew Strong
Greg Oliphant	Lewis Vowell
Dave Roan	

### Missions Supported by RMCC

Bangladesh	Great Plains Gathering
Northern Mexico	Montana Church Planting
Global Missions	International Peacemaking