



Rocky
Mountain
Community
Church, PCA

Welcome to Rocky!

Whether you are convinced or unconvinced, burned or bored, cynical or spiritual, regardless of your beliefs or doubts, this is a safe place for you to explore Christianity and learn what it means to follow Jesus in community. God's message of grace is for morally flawed people like us: broken, imperfect, and loved beyond our understanding. We do not show up because we are good; we show up because we need Jesus.

Our Vision

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

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LORD'S DAY

SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

WORSHIP REFLECTION

Sin continually separates us from the presence of God... Jesus is concerned for all people to find satisfaction in the presence of the Lord. —G.K. Beale

WORSHIP THEME

The LORD Leads His People

GOD SPEAKS TO US

CALL TO WORSHIP—Psalm 77:11-15

I will remember the deeds of the LORD;
 yes, I will remember your wonders of old.
I will ponder all your work,
 and meditate on your mighty deeds.
Your way, O God, is holy.
 What god is great like our God?
You are the God who works wonders;
 you have made known your might among the peoples.
You with your arm redeemed your people,
 the children of Jacob and Joseph.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT TO HELP US WORSHIP

OUR RESPONSE
SONGS

O WORSHIP THE KING

Robert Grant, 1833
Based on Psalm 104

O worship the King all glorious above,
O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old;
Has 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

LION OF JUDAH

By Robin Mark

You're the Lion of Judah, the Lamb that was slain,
You ascended to heaven and evermore will reign;
At the end of the age when the earth you reclaim,
 You will gather the nations before you.
And the eyes of all men will be fixed on the Lamb
 Who was crucified,
For with wisdom and mercy and justice he reigns
 At the Father's side.

Chorus:

*And the angels will cry:
 'Hail the Lamb
Who was slain for the world, rule in pow'r.'
And the earth will reply:
 'You shall reign
 As the King of all Kings
And the Lord of all Lords.'

There's a shield in our hand and a sword at our side,
There's a fire in our spirit that cannot be denied;
As the Father has told us for these you have died,
 For the nations that gather before you.
And the ears of all men need to hear of the Lamb
 Who was crucified,
Who descended to hell yet was raised up to reign
 At the Father's side.*

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GOD SPEAKS TO US—

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

¹⁶ What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as God said,

“I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them,
and I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.

¹⁷ Therefore go out from their midst,
and be separate from them, says the Lord,
and touch no unclean thing;
then I will welcome you,

¹⁸ and I will be a father to you,
and you shall be sons and daughters to me,
says the Lord Almighty.”

7 Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.

OUR RESPONSE

CONFESSION OF SIN—

O Lord, along with the Psalmist we ask that you “Make us to know your ways, O Lord; teach us your paths. Lead us in your truth and teach us, for you are the God of our salvation, for you we wait all the day long.”

You lead us into truth.

Forgive our lies and doubts.

You lead us into true beauty.

Forgive our lustful and wandering eyes.

You lead us into real contentment.

Forgive our wavering greedy hearts.

You lead us into pure love.

Forgive us our self-centered pride.

We plead that you remember your mercy and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

GOD SPEAKS TO US

PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

The fear of the LORD leads to life, and whoever has it rests satisfied; he will not be visited by harm. Proverbs 19:23

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.

OUR RESPONSE

SONG

PSALM 62

Words and Music by
Stuart Townend and Aaron Keyes

My soul finds rest in God alone,
my rock and my salvation,
a fortress strong against my foes,
and I will not be shaken.
Though lips may bless,
and hearts may curse,
and lies, like arrows, pierce me,
I'll fix my heart on righteousness;
I'll look to Him who hears me.*

Chorus:

*O praise Him, hallelujah,
my Delight and my Reward.
Everlasting, never failing;
my Redeemer, my God.

Find rest, my soul, in God alone
amid the world's temptations.
When evil seeks to take a hold,
I'll cling to my salvation.
Though riches come and riches go,
don't set your heart upon them.
The fields of hope in which I sow
are harvested in heaven.*

I will set my gaze on God alone,
and trust in Him completely,
with every day pour out my soul;
and He will prove His mercy.
Though life is but a fleeting breath,
a sigh too deep to measure,
my King has crushed the curse of death,
and I am His forever.*

Worship Options Available to Children

- Ages 4 to 7 are invited downstairs for the Training Children to Worship lesson during the sermon.
- Special Children's Bulletins are available on the tables in the back of sanctuary for note-taking. Place finished bulletin in the basket for a chance to make next week's cover!

GOD SPEAKS TO US

SERMON TITLE: *Time To Cross Over*

SPEAKER: Pastor Rolf Meintjes

SERMON SCRIPTURE: Joshua 3-4

SERMON SERIES: Joshua—"I Will Be With You"

3 Early in the morning Joshua and all the Israelites set out from Shittim and went to the Jordan, where they camped before crossing over.

5 Joshua told the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you."

6 Joshua said to the priests, "Take up the ark of the covenant and pass on ahead of the people." So they took it up and went ahead of them.

7 And the Lord said to Joshua, "Today I will begin to exalt you in the eyes of all Israel, so they may know that I am with you as I was with Moses. 8 Tell the priests who carry the ark of the covenant: 'When you reach the edge of the Jordan's waters, go and stand in the river.'"

9 Joshua said to the Israelites, "Come here and listen to the words of the Lord your God. 10 This is how you will know that the living God is among you and that he will certainly drive out before you the Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites and Jebusites. 11 See, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth will go into the Jordan ahead of you. 12 Now then, choose twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one from each tribe. 13 And as soon as the priests who carry the ark of the Lord—the Lord of all the earth—set foot in the Jordan, its waters flowing downstream will be cut off and stand up in a heap."

14 So when the people broke camp to cross the Jordan, the priests carrying the ark of the covenant went ahead of them. 15 Now the Jordan is at flood stage all during harvest. Yet as soon as the priests who carried the ark reached the Jordan and their feet touched the water's edge, 16 the water from upstream stopped flowing. 17 The priests who carried the ark of the covenant of the Lord stopped in the middle of the Jordan and stood on dry ground, while all Israel passed by until the whole nation had completed the crossing on dry ground.

4 When the whole nation had finished crossing the Jordan, the Lord said to Joshua, 2 “Choose twelve men from among the people, one from each tribe, 3 and tell them to take up twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan, from right where the priests are standing, and carry them over with you and put them down at the place where you stay tonight.”

8 So the Israelites did as Joshua commanded them. They took twelve stones from the middle of the Jordan, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, as the Lord had told Joshua; and they carried them over with them to their camp, where they put them down.⁹ Joshua set up the twelve stones that had been in the middle of the Jordan at the spot where the priests who carried the ark of the covenant had stood. And they are there to this day.

14 That day the Lord exalted Joshua in the sight of all Israel; and they stood in awe of him all the days of his life, just as they had stood in awe of Moses.

15 Then the Lord said to Joshua, 16 “Command the priests carrying the ark of the covenant law to come up out of the Jordan.”

17 So Joshua commanded the priests, “Come up out of the Jordan.”

18 And the priests came up out of the river carrying the ark of the covenant of the Lord. No sooner had they set their feet on the dry ground than the waters of the Jordan returned to their place and ran at flood stage as before.

19 On the tenth day of the first month the people went up from the Jordan and camped at Gilgal on the eastern border of Jericho. 20 And Joshua set up at Gilgal the twelve stones they had taken out of the Jordan. 21 He said to the Israelites, “In the future when your descendants ask their parents, ‘What do these stones mean?’ 22 tell them, ‘Israel crossed the Jordan on dry ground.’ 23 For the Lord your God dried up the Jordan before you until you had crossed over. The Lord your God did to the Jordan what he had done to the Red Sea when he dried it up before us until we had crossed over. 24 He did this so that all the peoples of the earth might know that the hand of the Lord is powerful and so that you might always fear the Lord your God.”

Outline-

I. Before the Crossing

II. At the Crossing

III. After the Crossing

Questions:

1. *What is so significant about the ark of the covenant?*
2. *In chapter 3 verse 10, Joshua specifies another important point taught when the ark of the covenant of the Lord of the whole earth goes ahead of you into the Jordan. What was the point God's people were to learn?*
3. *Two times the passage teaches that the monument of stones was to serve what purpose (4:6-7; 4:21-23)? Consider and discuss what is significant about these instructions.*
4. *Finally, the ultimate reason for crossing over is outlined in 4:24. What are the two groups impacted by crossing the Jordan and in what way is each group affected?*

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want,
He makes me down to lie.
In pastures green he leads me,
The quiet waters by.

Chorus:

*My soul he does restore again,
And me to walk does make,
Within the paths of righteousness,
All for his own name's sake,
All for his own name's sake.

Even when walking through valleys,
Even the valley of death,
I won't be afraid of the evil,
For he will be with me always.*

You spread a table before me
In front of my enemies.
You pour your oil upon my head,
My cup, it overflows.*

Surely goodness will follow me
All of the days of my life,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord
Forever, he'll be my delight!*

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PRAYER & DISTRIBUTION OF WINE WITH SINGING

IN EMMANUEL'S LAND

Revelation 22:4

(Pear Tree Hymnal page 56)

The sands of time are sinking,
The dawn of heaven breaks,
The summer morn I've sighed for,
The fair sweet morn awakes;
Dark, dark has been the midnight,
But dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land,
In Emmanuel's land.

The King there in his beauty
Without a veil is seen;
It were a well spent journey
Though sev'n deaths lay between;
The Lamb with his fair army
Does on Mount Zion stand,
And glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land,
In Emmanuel's land.

O Christ, he is the fountain,
The deep sweet well of love!
The streams on earth I've tasted
More deep I'll drink above;
There to a flowing ocean
His mercy does expand,
And glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land,
In Emmanuel's land.

The bride eyes not her garment,
But her dear bridegroom's face;
I will not gaze at glory,
But on my King of grace;
Not at the crown he gives me,
But on his pierced hand;
And glory, glory dwelleth in Emmanuel's land,
In Emmanuel's land.

OUR RESPONSE

CLOSING SONG

WE WILL DANCE

By David Ruis

Sing a song of celebration,
Lift up a shout of praise,
For the Bridegroom will come,
The glorious one,
And O, we will look on his face.
We'll go to a much better place.

*Dance with all your might,
Lift up your hands and clap for joy.
For the time's drawing near
When he will appear,
And O, we will stand by his side,
A strong, pure, spotless bride.

Chorus:

We will dance on the streets that are golden,
The glorious bride and the great Son of Man.
From ev'ry tongue and tribe and nation will join
In the song of the Lamb.*

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

- Today:* 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service—Pastor Rolf Meintjes preaching
11:30 a.m. Q & A regarding change in Lord's Supper—
Downstairs Center Room
- Monday:* 5:30 p.m. Session Dinner Meeting @ Church
- Tuesday:* 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Time @ Church
4:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study @ Church
- Wednesday:* 12:00 p.m. Announcements Due in Church Office
6:30 p.m. Youth Group @ Church
- Next Sunday:* 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service—Pastor Rolf Meintjes preaching
11:30 a.m. Q & A regarding change in Lord's Supper—
Downstairs Center Room

KEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Highlights Below—

For complete information see announcements

(Hard copies in Foyer and on our website at www.rmccmontana.org)

- Nursery Changes—
Be sure to check the announcements for complete details
- New Directories Available
- Interested in Membership? More details in the weekly announcements
- Fall Ball—November 3rd —See announcements for more details
- September Diaconal Offering

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9 AM Sunday School / 10 AM Worship Service

TODAY AT RMCC

Greeters: Laverman Small Group

Lord's Supper Servers: Houlihan, Hubley, Laverman, Roan, Sholley, Vowell

Ushers: Robert Saunders, Doug Iams, Rick Stevens

Nursery: Bethany* & Jake Haan, Isaac Goudy, Bobi Charette, Lisa Dalbey,
Andrew & Nora Meier

TCW: George & Maddie Fink, Jason Barrie & Jimmie Sue LeDuc
Admin: Christina Kohler

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

NEXT SUNDAY AT RMCC

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 AM

—Pastor Rolf Meintjes preaching

Worship Leader: Pastor Wesley Holmes

Lord's Supper Servers: Cryder, Goudy, Marble, McGinnis, Nelstead, Petsch

Reader: Jeremy Carlson

Ushers: Bob Schicktanz, Bill Blewett, Jim George

Greeters: Schaner Small Group

Nursery: Laura Meintjes*, Dale Dalbey, Rob Charette, Dan Mattson,
Rachel & Skyler Kincaid, Barb Sholley

TCW: Katie Hudgins & Molly Friesen, Steve & Peggy Hubley
Admin: Linda Henderson

King's Cupbearers: Abigail, Bethany & Charity Strong, Margaret & Will Jeter,
Kennedy, Noah & Haddie Kincaid, Boaz & Elijah Kohler

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.

PRAYER REQUEST

September 23, 2018

PRAYER NEEDS

If you would like someone to pray for or with you, please consider the following:

1. Share your request with your Small Group. If you are not currently in one, we urge you to consider joining one.

(Check box on Keeping In Touch detachable slip on back page.)

2. Talk with one of the officers who are up front at the end of each service for prayer.

If you are in need of counseling, please call the church office at 259-7811 or CCEF at 294-5533.

Prayer of Belief—

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment and offering forgiveness. I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior. Amen.

(If you are saying this prayer for the first time today, please share with a church officer up front following the worship service, or let one of the pastors know.)

Comments

We welcome your feedback and suggestions. When possible please contact staff by referring to the staff directory, or use the space provided below and place it in the offering box in the foyer.

Your Name _____

For Leaders **Only**

For Leaders & Email Prayer List

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, Co-Pastor
Rolf D. Meintjes, Co-Pastor
Alfred J. Poirier, Teaching Pastor
Tami L. Haan, Office Administrator

Elders

Jeremy Carlson	David Petsch
Steve Hubley	Sam Reck
Jeff Laverman	Frank Schaner
Andrew Marble	Erik Smith

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