



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 30, 2018

WORSHIP REFLECTION

It is not enough to believe the truth in your head, or to profess it with your lips, or even that it sometimes produces strong emotions within you. Real Christianity rules in the heart. It governs the affections, leads the will, directs the tastes and choices and decisions. — J.C. Ryle

WORSHIP THEME

Our God Doesn't Give Up

GOD SPEAKS TO US

CALL TO WORSHIP—Psalm 33:20-22

Our soul waits for the LORD;
 he is our help and our shield.
For our heart is glad in him,
 because we trust in his holy name.
Let your steadfast love, O LORD, be upon us,
 even as we hope in you.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT TO HELP US WORSHIP

OUR RESPONSE
SONGS

ONLY IN GOD

By J.M. Talbot
Arranged by Trudy Poirier

Only in God is my soul at rest,
In Him comes my salvation.
He only is my rock,
I will not be shaken.*

Chorus

*My stronghold, my Savior,
I will not be afraid at all.
My stronghold, my Savior,
I will not be moved.

Only in God is found safety,
When enemies pursue me.
Only in God is found glory,
When I am weak and lowly.*

Only in God am I satisfied
In dry and weary land.
He only can show me the way
Through the valley of the shadow.*

Only in God is my soul at rest,
In Him comes my salvation.

JESUS, I AM RESTING

Author, Jean Sophia Piggot, 1876 /Music, Alfred Poirier

Jesus, I am resting, resting
In the joy of who you are;
I am finding out the greatness
Of your loving, loving heart.
You have made me gaze upon you,
As your beauty fills my soul,
For by your transforming power,
You have made me, made me whole.

Simply trusting you, Lord Jesus,
I behold you as you are;
And your love, so pure, so changeless,
Satisfies all of my heart.
Satisfies its deepest longings,
Meets, supplies my every need;
Circles me around with blessing,
Yours is love, is love indeed.

As I work and wait, Lord Jesus,
Ever lift your face 'pon me;
Let me rest beneath your smile;
To you always I shall flee.
Brightness of the Father's glory,
Sunshine of the Father's face,
Keep me ever trusting, trusting,
Fill me, fill me with your grace.

GOD SPEAKS TO US—Elder Jeremy Carlson
SCRIPTURE READING: Numbers 14:5-9; 20-23

⁵ Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembly of the congregation of the people of Israel. ⁶ And Joshua the son of Nun and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, who were among those who had spied out the land, tore their clothes ⁷ and said to all the congregation of the people of Israel, “The land, which we passed through to spy it out, is an exceedingly good land. ⁸ If the LORD delights in us, he will bring us into this land and give it to us, a land that flows with milk and honey. ⁹ Only do not rebel against the LORD. And do not fear the people of the land, for they are bread for us. Their protection is removed from them, and the LORD is with us; do not fear them.”

²⁰ Then the LORD said, “I have pardoned, according to your word. ²¹ But truly, as I live, and as all the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD, ²² none of the men who have seen my glory and my signs that I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and yet have put me to the test these ten times and have not obeyed my voice, ²³ shall see the land that I swore to give to their fathers. And none of those who despised me shall see it.

OUR RESPONSE

CONFESSION OF SIN—Responsively

Minister: O LORD, you have called us to obey your voice, to listen to your wisdom and to trust in you entirely.

People: Our sin is to listen to our fears, to forget to submit to your will and quiet ourselves beneath your wisdom.

Minister: Our sin is to think that we are alone in the wilderness, when we have so much in you—bread from heaven, streams of living water, and access to your love.

People: Grant now that we may never trust our own hearts, depend on past experience, or rest in the strength of our own resolutions—but make us strong in the grace of Jesus. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

GOD SPEAKS TO US

PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

“Because he holds fast to me in love, I will deliver him; I will protect him, because he knows my name. ¹⁵When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will rescue him and honor him. ¹⁶With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.” Psalm 91:14-16

OUR RESPONSE

BAPTISM--

Atticus Wolfe Nickol (Son of Kristian & Kate Nickol)

BAPTISMAL VOWS FOR THE PARENTS

1. Do you acknowledge that your son, being conceived and born in sin and therefore subject to God's condemnation, has the need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God's covenant promises on his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly offer your son to God for Christian baptism, and, in humble reliance upon God's grace, do you promise to instruct him in the doctrines of our faith as revealed in Holy Scripture and summarized in the Confession and Catechisms of this Church; and do you promise to set before him a godly example, to pray with and for him and, by all the means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Vow for the Congregation

And do you, as brothers and sisters in Christ, and members of this body of Christ, promise to help this family by your encouragement, prayers, and acts of mercy, supporting them in their endeavor to nurture their son to follow the Lord?

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

GOOD TO ME
By Craig Mussea

I cry out for your hand of mercy to heal me.
I am weak, I need your love to free me.
O Lord, my rock, my strength in weakness,
Come rescue me, O Lord.

You are my hope,
Your promise never fails me
And my desire is to follow you forever.
For you are good, for you are good,
For you are good to me.
For you are good, for you are good,
For you are good to me.

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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: *A Fresh Start*

SPEAKER: Pastor Rolf Meintjes

SERMON SCRIPTURE: Joshua 5:1-12

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

As soon as all the kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan to the west, and all the kings of the Canaanites who were by the sea, heard that the LORD had dried up the waters of the Jordan for the people of Israel until they had crossed over, their hearts melted and there was no longer any spirit in them because of the people of Israel.

²At that time the LORD said to Joshua, "Make flint knives and circumcise the sons of Israel a second time." ³So Joshua made flint knives and circumcised the sons of Israel at Gibeath-haaraloth. ⁴And this is the reason why Joshua circumcised them: all the males of the people who came out of Egypt, all the men of war, had died in the wilderness on the way after they had come out of Egypt. ⁵Though all the people who came out had been circumcised, yet all the people who were born on the way in the wilderness after they had come out of Egypt had not been circumcised. ⁶For the people of Israel walked forty years in the wilderness, until all the nation, the men of war who came out of Egypt, perished, because they did not obey the voice of the LORD; the LORD swore to them that he would not let them see the land that the LORD had sworn to their fathers to give to us, a land flowing with milk and honey. ⁷So it was their children, whom he raised up in their place, that Joshua circumcised. For they were uncircumcised, because they had not been circumcised on the way.

⁸When the circumcising of the whole nation was finished, they remained in their places in the camp until they were healed. ⁹And the LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have rolled away the reproach of Egypt from you." And so the name of that place is called Gilgal to this day.

¹⁰While the people of Israel were encamped at Gilgal, they kept the Passover on the fourteenth day of the month in the evening on the plains of Jericho. ¹¹And the day after the Passover, on that very day, they ate of the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain. ¹²And the manna ceased the day after they ate of the produce of the land. And there was no longer manna for the people of Israel, but they ate of the fruit of the land of Canaan that year.

Outline-

I. Initial Commitment (Circumcision)

II. Ongoing Commitment (Passover)

Questions:

1. Read verse 9. What was it that brought about the disgrace or dishonor that the LROD “rolled away?”
2. What does verse 7 teach us in regard to the covenant of grace?
3. Where do you tend to struggle with doubt and unbelief? Are there specific aspects of the Christian faith you find hard to believe? And why?
4. In what ways do you believe that these ordinary means of grace (Baptism, Lord’s Supper, Preaching . . .) can sustain us in the day and age we live in? In other words, what do you find encouraging and significant in the means of grace that we tend to take for granted?

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

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Words by Thomas O. Chisholm 1923, Music by William N. Runyan, 1923

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou has been thou forever wilt be.

Chorus:

*Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed thy hand hath provided--
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!*

PRAYER & DISTRIBUTION OF WINE WITH SINGING

I WILL GLORY IN MY REDEEMER

By Steve & Vikki Cook

I will glory in my Redeemer,
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails,
And hung him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who crushed the power of sin and death.
My only Savior before the Holy Judge:
The Lamb who is my righteousness,
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer.
My life he bought, my love he owns.
I have no longings for another,
I'm satisfied in him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
His faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,
My feet are firm, held by his grace,
My feet are firm, held by his grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who carries me on eagle's wings.
He crowns my life with loving-kindness,
His triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
Who waits for me at gates of gold.
And when he calls me it will be paradise,
His face forever to behold,
His face forever to behold,
His face forever to behold.

OUR RESPONSE

CLOSING SONG

LAW GOSPEL DOXOLOGY

Zac Hicks & Julie Anne Vargas

God's perfect law exposes me.
I feel my sin and desp'rate need.
My best good works are powerless,
To satisfy his righteousness.

But Christ has lived and died for me:
His life my only victory.
His death forever sealed in time,
That I am his and he is mine.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him all creatures here below!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen!

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
- 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 Wesley Holmes preaching
11:30 a.m. Membership Matters Lunch/Class in Fellowship Hall

KEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Highlights Below—

For complete information see announcements

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

- New Directories Available
- Interested in Membership? More details in the weekly announcements—
Last opportunity to sign up
- Lost & Found Table—Please check out the table
- Medical Short-Term Mission Opportunity—
More details in announcements
- Fall Ball—November 3rd —See announcements for more details

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9 AM Sunday School / 10 AM Worship Service

TODAY AT RMCC

Greeters: Schaner Small Group

Worship Leader: Pastor Wesley Holmes

Reader: Jeremy Carlson

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

Ushers: Bob Schicktanz, Bill Blewett, Jim George

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

NEXT SUNDAY AT RMCC

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 AM

—Pastor Wesley Holmes preaching

Worship Leader: Pastor Jason Barrie

Lord's Supper Servers: Carlson, Oliphant, Reck, Roan, Sholley, Smith

Reader: Sam Reck

Ushers: Clark Vowell, Shawn Reinhart, Jerry Elliott

Greeters: Nelstead Small Group

Nursery: Infant: Aileen Kindsfater*, Julia Holmes, Rebecca Ciesielski,
Theresa Goudy
2's & 3's: Mike Kindsfater*, Chris Ciesielski, Angie Laird

TCW: Pastor Rolf, Lynne & Gavin Morgan; Aaron & Kellie Sironi
Admin: Susan Cuthill

King's Cupbearers: Elijah, Luke & Isaac Gerstner, Nathan Paterson,
Noah Felchle

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, 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