



Rocky
Mountain
Community
Church, PCA

Welcome to Rocky!

We are a spiritual family whose embrace aims to be as broad as the embrace of Jesus. We are for the flourishing of all people—adults and kids, engineers and artists, homemakers and CEOs, liberals and conservatives, rich and poor, single and married, happy and depressed, curious and committed, those with advanced degrees and those with special needs. In short, if you are a human being and an incomplete work in progress, you will fit in well at Rocky. We don't 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

JANUARY 6, 2019

WORSHIP REFLECTION

“The New Testament is in the Old concealed; the Old Testament is in the New revealed.” —Augustine

WORSHIP THEME

God's Love Sacrifices For Us

GOD SPEAKS TO US

CALL TO WORSHIP—John 1:10-14

He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him.

He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.

But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God,

who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

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.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT TO HELP US WORSHIP

OUR RESPONSE
SONGS

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

To God be the glory, great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
And opened the life-gate that we may go in.

*Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
And give him the glory, great things he has done!

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.*

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.*

BEHOLD OUR GOD

By: Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird,
Ryan Baird & Stephen Altrogge

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice.
All creation rises to rejoice.

Chorus:

*Behold our God,
Seated on His throne.
Come, let us adore Him.
Behold our King,
Nothing can compare,
Come, let us adore Him!

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds? *

Who has felt the nails upon His hand,
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign! *

Bridge

Men: You will reign forever.

Women: Let Your glory fill the earth. (4 times) *

GOD SPEAKS TO US—Elder Sam Reck

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 John 4:7-12

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸ Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹ In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. ¹¹ Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

OUR RESPONSE

CONFESSION OF SIN—

Pastor: God is light, in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. (1 John 5b-8)

People: Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to you and to one another that we have sinned against you by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not always had in us the mind of Christ. You alone know how often we have grieved you by wasting your gifts, by wandering from your ways, but forgetting you love. Forgive us we pray. In your mercy free us from our sin and renew us in the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son, our Savior. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

GOD SPEAKS TO US

PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS

¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. Romans 5:10-11

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

JESUS, PASSOVER LAMB

1 Corinthians 5:7
(Pear Tree Hymnal page 29)

Long ago in Egypt
The Death Angel came,
He looked upon the doorpost,
He looked upon the frame,
To see if the blood
Of the lamb was there.
If it was, the firstborn was spared.

Chorus:

*Jesus, Passover Lamb,
He is the Messiah
The Great I AM,
The Lamb of God
Who has passed over me,
Who takes away the sin of the world.

Long ago in Israel
The Lord Jesus came,
Born as a man
He was God in the flesh;
He was greater than
Moses or Abraham;
He was God's perfect Passover Lamb.*

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GOD SPEAKS TO US

SERMON TITLE: *Your Only Son*

SPEAKER: Pastor Rolf Meintjes

SERMON SCRIPTURE: Genesis 22:1-19

SERMON SERIES: The Main Thing—Real Life Gospel

After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, “Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” ² He said, “Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.” ³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴ On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, “Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you.” ⁶ And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷ And Isaac said to his father Abraham, “My father!” And he said, “Here I am, my son.” He said, “Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?” ⁸ Abraham said, “God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son.” So they went both of them together.

⁹When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” ¹²He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.” ¹³And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called the name of that place, “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day, “On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

¹⁵And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶and said, “By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice.” ¹⁹So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went together to Beersheba. And Abraham lived at Beersheba.

Outline—

I. The Nature of the Test

II. The Faith in the Test

III. The Rescue from the Test

Questions—

1. *Read Hebrews 11:17-19. What aspects of Abraham's faith do you find most striking?*
2. *Let's remember that, while the Bible commends Abraham for his faith, the point of the passage is not simply to "be like Abraham." Rather it invites us to gain a deeper love for Christ and encourages us to place our faith in him. What specifically are you even more grateful to Jesus for, based on this passage?*
3. *From Genesis 22:15-18, what were the results of Abraham's faith and obedience?*
4. *Are you ever afraid that God might ask too much of you? What would be too much? What sacrifice would have been too much for God?*

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

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE

Stuart Townend, 1995

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That he should give his only Son,
To make a wretch his treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns his face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon his shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held him there,
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from his reward?
I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.
(repeat words in bold)

PRAYER & DISTRIBUTION OF WINE WITH SINGING

AMAZING LOVE

Charles Wesley and Trudy Poirier
Romans 5:8

And can it be that I should gain
An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain?
For me, who caused his bitter death?
Amazing Love! How can it be
That you, my God, would die for me?
That you, my God, would die for me?

He left his Father's throne above—
So free, so infinite his grace!—
Emptied himself of all but love
And bled for Adam's helpless race!
What mercy this, immense and free,
For O, my God, it found out me;
For O, my God, it found out me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Your eye diffused a quick'ning ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light!
My chains fell off, your voice I knew;
I rose, went forth, and followed you.
I rose, went forth, and followed you.

No condemnation now I dread,
For Christ and all in him is mine!
Alive in him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach the eternal throne,
And claim the crown through Christ, my own,
And claim the crown through Christ, my own.*

**Coda*

Amazing love! How can it be,
That you, my God, would die for me;
That you, my God, would die for me?

OUR RESPONSE

CLOSING SONG

CHRIST WILL COME AGAIN

Words by Thomas Troeger

Music by Trudy E. Poirier

View the present through the promise; Christ will come again.
Trust despite the deep'ning darkness; Christ will come again.
Lift the world above its grieving, through your watching and believing,
In the hope past hope's conceiving: Christ will come again.

Probe the present with the promise; Christ will come again.
Let your daily actions witness; Christ will come again.
Let your loving and your giving and your justice and forgiving
Be a sign to all the living: Christ will come again.

Match the present to the promise; Christ will come again.
Make this hope your guiding premise; Christ will come again.
Pattern all your calculating and the world you are creating
To the advent you are waiting: Christ will come again.

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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:* NO Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Worship Service—Pastor Rolf Meintjes preaching
- Tuesday:* 6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Time
- Wednesday:* 6:00 p.m. Youth Group & Dinner @ Church
- Thursday:* 6:30 p.m. All-Church Game Night @ Church
- Next Sunday:* 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Resumes
10:00 a.m. Worship Service—Pastor Jason Barrie preaching

KEY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Highlights Below—

For complete information see announcements

(Hard copies on Information Counter and on our website at www.rmccmontana.org)

- ALL-CHURCH Game Night @ Church—Thursday, January 10th @ 6:30 PM
- Interested in a Women's Group? Please contact Jessica Roan or Kristin Barrie
- RMCC is moving to a new online giving donation system

www.rmccmontana.org

406-259-7811

9 AM Sunday School / 10 AM Worship Service

TODAY AT RMCC

Greeters: Kindsfater Small Group

Worship Leader: Pastor Wes Holmes

Reader: Sam Reck

Lord's Supper Servers: Carlson, Cryder, Goudy, Hanson, Houlihan, McGinnis

Ushers: Lewis Vowell, John Compton, Rick Friesen

Nursery: Infants: Rachel Kincaid*, LeAnn Currington, Julie Dasinger, Kellie Sironi
2's & 3's: Skyler Kincaid*, Aaron Sironi, Jimmie Sue LeDuc

NO TCW

King's Cupbearers: Nathan Paterson, Luke & Isaac Gerstner, Noah Felchle,
Margaret, Will & Holden Jeter

NEXT SUNDAY AT RMCC

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:00 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE —Pastor Jason Barrie preaching

10:00 AM

Worship Leader: Pastor Rolf Meintjes

Lord's Supper Servers: Hubley, Laverman, Marble, Oliphant, Roan, Sholley

Reader: Erik Smith

Ushers: Greg Oliphant, Frank Witt, Ernie Jennings

Greeters: Gerstner Small Group

Nursery: Infants: Julie McGinnis*, Brianna Brindle, Nancy VanMaren, Sally Jeter
2's & 3's: Joe McGinnis*, Joshua Goudy, Angie Laird

TCW: Kelly Latham & Brooke Habener, Judy TenHarmsel & Becky Jeter
Admin: Donna Holden

King's Cupbearers: Boone & Trek Roan, Phin & Faith Sironi,
Everett & Gabrielle Stapler

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