



ROUSER COMMUNITY CHURCH

MORNING WORSHIP • 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM
 August 27, 2017 • 12th Sunday after Pentecost

An asterisk (*) indicates when those who are able will stand.

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

A time to quiet our hearts, minds and voices in preparation for worship.
 Please fill out your prayer request cards at this time to be handed to the ushers later in the service.

PRELUDE

The Gift of Love

arr. S. Stanton

Grace Notes - Carol Clements, JoAnne Moyer, Jeanette Rothberg

SIGNING OF FRIENDSHIP REGISTER & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Friendship Register with your name and address for our records of attendance and pass along to your pew mates.

*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison)

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
 Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
 Lord listen to your children praying,
 Send us love, send us power, send us grace.**

*HYMN OF ADORATION

Praise Him! Praise Him!

No. 96

*PRAYER OF PETITION (Unison)

Lord, you have shown us through your grace how the guilty can be pardoned, the unholy can be sanctified, the lost can be found, and the poor can be enriched. Help us to receive your blessings, to walk faithfully in your will, and to live triumphantly in your love. Amen.

GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN CHRISTIAN LOVE

CALL TO PRAYER

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Baloche

(Your prayer request cards will be collected by the ushers.)

(Minister). . . In your steadfast love and mercy,
(People). . . Hear our prayers, O God.

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

*We are so happy you are worshiping with us today!
 If you have questions or need any assistance, please see an Usher or stop by the Welcome Desk.*

Assistance Hearing Devices

are available from an usher. To activate the LOOP HEARING SYSTEM please turn your hearing aid to T-coil.

The **Cry Room** (off the Narthex) is available for nursing moms and those with special needs.

A **Nursery** is available in the Christian Education Building for children under the age of 5 yrs.

Children, K-5th grade may attend **Church School** following the Children's Sermon. Youth meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays.

Please note on the prayer card or call the office (941-778-0414) if you or someone you know would like a **Pastoral Visit** or is in the hospital.

PASTOR

Rev. Dr. Robert O'Keef
 910-580-7359

ASSOCIATE PASTOR

Rev. Neil Crowell
 980-521-7129

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES

Kristen Stanton



We give our choir members a much-deserved break during the month of August. Even though the loft is empty, our hearts are still full of praise for God. May our worship this morning bring honor and glory to Him.

- ACOLYTE Bella Clements
- DEACON OF THE MONTH John Skladany
- MISSION OF THE MONTH
Global Service Network
- SOUND DIRECTOR Alan Ward
- SOUND TECHNICIAN Michael Jennis
- NURSERY LEADER Lisa Lardas
- SUNDAY CUSTODIAN Jim Webb
- FACILITIES ADMINISTRATOR Charles Wade
- FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR Matt Meehan
- CHURCH SECRETARY Cyndy Custis
- MEDIA FACILITATOR Bev Hunsberger

The flowers on the altar this morning are given to the glory of God:

In loving memory of husband Bob, from Marguerite Carrick.

In loving memory of husband John and sons Kevin and Scott, from Daryl Van Ostenbridge.

To honor a loved one with **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**, please sign the book in the Narthex or contact the office (941-778-0414).

Note of Thanks

Thank you for your cares, concerns, calls for my recent health issues. **Ann Jones**

THE GIVING OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

In Christ Alone

Getty & Townend

***DOXOLOGY** *Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow* **No. 809**
*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.*

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** **The Apostle’s Creed (Unison)**
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick 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.

HYMN OF PREPARATION *The Church’s One Foundation* **No. 689**

SCRIPTURE **Matthew 16: 13-20**

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do people say the Son of Man is?” They replied, “Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” “But what about you?” he asked. “Who do you say I am?” Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” Jesus replied, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.” Then he ordered his disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

(Leader)...The word of God for the people of God.
(People)...Thanks be to God.

SERMON **“ON THIS ROCK”** Dr. Bob O’Keef

Discipleship

***HYMN OF DEDICATION**
Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken **No. 694**

BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE **Blest Be The Tie That Binds** **No. 708**

POSTLUDE *Arrival of the Queen of Sheba* Handel

THIS WEEK AT ROSER



SUNDAY • August 27

FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

SPECIAL MUSIC Grace Notes

8:30 WORSHIP SERVICE Chapel

8:45 Adult Sunday School Class...FH

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE S

10:00 Church School CD

MONDAY • August 28

No Bridge today

7:30 AA & Alanon S

TUESDAY • August 29

9:00 Volunteer Workday

9:30-2:00 Thrift Shop Pg 8

11:00 Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY • August 30

9:00-11:00 Thrift Shop Donations. . Pg 8

9:30 Roser-Robics Pg 6

2:45 Golfing for God..... Pg 4

THURSDAY • August 31

9:30-2:00 Thrift Shop Open..... Pg 8

10:30 AA Meditation..... CD

7:30 AA & AlanonFH & LB

FRIDAY • September 1

9:30 Roser-Robics Pg 6

SATURDAY • September 2

Thrift Shop Closed..... Pg 8

SUNDAY • September 3

COMMUNION SUNDAY

8:30 - Served in the pews

10:00 - Served by intinction

MUSIC Erin Tribble, vocal soloist

8:30 WORSHIP SERVICE Chapel

8:45 Adult Sunday School Class...FH

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE S

10:00 Church School CD

ROOM KEY

CB - Classroom B, CD - Classroom D,

CM - Colman, FH - Fellowship Hall,

LB - Library, S - Sanctuary

ALTAR FLOWERS

To the Glory of God



Birthday? Anniversary? Graduation? Birth of a baby? Counting your blessings? Say thank you or I love you. In honor or someone or in memory of someone. The occasions are endless.

We all enjoy the lovely flowers on the altar each Sunday. You are invited to celebrate your occasion by placing Altar Flowers in the Sanctuary. Arrangements can be placed by two people each Sunday. Sign up in the Narthex or call the church office (941-778-0414) to reserve a date. Please let us know the exact wording you would like noted in the bulletin. You can take your arrangement home following the service. If you do not want to take your flowers, please let us know at the time you order and the Deacons will deliver them to someone who is ill or shut-in and in need of encouragement.

The cost of \$25 per arrangement can be placed in the offering or donate online at www.roserchurch.com/give.



Mission of the Month

GLOBAL SERVICE NETWORK

No churches. No Bibles. No missionaries. No believers. This is the reality for 3,000 unreached and unengaged people groups. That's millions of people who have never heard the name of Jesus.



"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few." (Matthew 9:37)

This is the burden on our heart--and the prayer for our mission. There's such a huge need for the hope of the gospel in our world. And for the laborers who will share it with people who have never heard. That's why we're excited about partnering with Roser Church this month as your gifts will help us train and equip those eager recruits for focused outreach--and to send them to strategic assignments to reach the unreached overseas.

In addition to our global impact, we also seek to have a local impact as we train and equip college students in the Sarasota/Bradenton area to be missionaries to their campus and to the world. Your support and prayers will enable us to expand the reach of the gospel and take the Light of God's Word to these students who we're training to "go and make disciples of all nations." Thank you for your partnership in our ministry. Until the whole world hears, *Jonathan & Robynn*

To donate to Global Service Network, please use the envelope in the pew or GIVE online and note that your gift is for MISSION OF THE MONTH.

Mark Your Calendar

PLEASE NOTE: BRed will meet on Monday, September 11 due to the Labor Day holiday on the 4th.

Monday • September 4

Office closed for Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday • September 5

Joyful Noise begins Pg 5

Wednesday • September 6

Golfing for God at IMG. Pg 4

Thursday • September 7

Chancel Choir Rehearsal (7:00 PM)

Sunday • September 10

BethEl Mission Moment (8:30 & 10:00)

9/11 BLOOD DRIVE (8:30) Pg 5

Tuesday • September 12

Tues@2 Women's Study: The Lord's Prayer (2:00 PM)

Wednesday • September 13

JOY (Just Older Youth) (11:00 AM)

Wednesday • September 20

Golfing for God at IMG (2:45 PM)

Tuesday • September 26

Tues@2 Women's Study: The Lord's Prayer (2:00 PM)

Wednesday • September 27

JOY (Just Older Youth) (11:00 AM)

Tuesday • October 3

Terrific Tuesdays begin Pg 6

Wednesday • October 4

GriefShare begins Pg 7

Golfing for God at IMG (2:45 PM)

Wednesday • October 11

JOY (Just Older Youth) (11:00 AM)

Wednesday • October 18

Golfing for God at IMG (2:45 PM)

Saturday • October 21

BAYFEST

Wednesday • October 25

JOY (Just Older Youth) (11:00 AM)

Sunday, October 29

Piano Dedication Recital (4:00 PM)

Saturday • November 4

CRAFT FAIR

Tuesday November 14, 2017

Women's Guild Luncheon (12:00 PM)

Sunday • December 3

ADVENT FAMILY NIGHT

Sunday, December 10

Advent Cantata (8:30 & 10:00 AM)

Tuesday Dec 12, 2017

Women's Guild Christmas Tea (1:00 PM)

HOW ARE WE DOING?

YTD Attendance
 2016 - 11,783
 2017 - 11,386

YTD Contributions
 2016 - \$295,857
 2017 - \$311,077

YTD Expenses - \$350,140
 YTD Income - \$410,990



2017 YTD Use of Cash Received

Contributions comprise the portion of income donated by the congregation. Monthly financial reports available in the church office provide full detail.



Dr. Bob O'Keef is teaching through **The Gospel of John!**

The Gospel of John celebrates Jesus as the Word of God, the source of life, light, and truth. It is the most **SPIRITUAL** of the Gospels, and the most **BEAUTIFULLY WRITTEN**. Scenes of night and day are intended to help its

readers move from **DARKNESS** to **LIGHT**. Only in the light of Christ can we **TRULY SEE, TRULY LIVE, and TRULY BE ALL THAT GOD WANTS US TO BE.**



WEDNESDAY, AUG 30

IMG Academy, Bradenton

Dinner & Bible Study 5:30 PM • \$20

Dinner & Bible Study + Clinic • \$40

Dinner & Bible Study + Golf 2:45 PM • \$35

9-hole scramble for all levels of golfers

Register: Online, in the Narthex, call the office

or go to www.roschurch.com/golfing-for-god

Next dates: September 6, 20 and October 4



BEGINNING ADULT PIANO CLASS

Always wanted to learn to play the piano but never had time?? Played years ago but have forgotten most of what you learned?? Then this is for you!

Beginning Adult Piano Class – ages 13 and up

- 1-hour class, once a week for 10 weeks
- Mondays from 2:30-3:30 PM beginning October 2
- Tuition: \$200 (includes materials)
- Instructor: Kristen Stanton, Director of Music Ministries
- Location: Classroom A, Education Building

Maximum enrollment is 4 students. Slots will be filled on a first-come/first-served basis. Please contact Kristen at kristen@roschurch.com or 941-778-0414, x110 if you are interested or have questions.

Hands On Missions

Call the Church Office for contact information— 941-778-0414.

▶ **Join the Missions Committee**

Never a dull moment... we are growing—adding programs and missionaries. If you have a passion for missions—check us out! Contact: Pam Alvord

▶ **Our Daily Bread • Sept. 11**

To help serve contact Lynn Brennan. The Roser team serves on every 2nd Monday and 5th Sunday! This is a community-driven organization that provides free daily meals to all who are hungry. Hot lunch is served to over 200 people a day, 7 days a week.

▶ **Youth for Christ**

Volunteer, listen to the kids at club, bring food and drinks or money for food and drinks. Send a kid to camp—it could change his/her eternal future. Contact: Pam Alvord

▶ **Jim Russo Prison Ministry**

Donations of towels, linen, and men's needs are welcomed. Contact: Mike Oney

▶ **Roser Food Pantry**

Volunteer/donations
Contact: Jack & Lynn Brennan

▶ **Roser Thrift Shop**

Volunteer/donations
Contact: Peggy Nash

▶ **Beth-El Farmworker Ministry**

Any and every donation helps the migrant workers. Contact: Anne Morse

▶ **Roser Women's Guild**

Can tabs, canceled stamps cut from envelope with 1/3" border, school box tops and labels for education can be left in the Women's Guild Box in the church office or given to Glenda Beck for AME.

JOYFUL NOISE BEGINS REHEARSING SEPTEMBER 5

Joyful Noise is a free After School Community Choir for children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade. It is held on Tuesdays from 3:15 to 4:00 PM at Roser Community Church. Children will learn vocal technique, beginning sight-reading concepts and performance skills. The choir is directed by Kristen Stanton, Director of Music Ministries at Roser.

Van transportation is provided from Anna Maria Elementary, and to the Community Center or the School for Constructive Play afterwards! Snacks are included.

Performances are usually once a month and at various community events. Joyful Noise Choir meets September through May.

Go to www.roserchurch.com/joyful-noise or stop by, call or email the church and request a Joyful Noise Brochure.



A 9/11 REMEMBRANCE ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

We can give the gift that gives life in honor of those who lost their lives. Everyone who donates will receive a t-shirt. The time is from 8:30-12:00 so that people can donate before or after Church. Register in the Narthex, the church office or online at www.roserchurch.com/blood



THE BENEFITS OF GIVING BLOOD

• **RECEIVE A FREE WELLNESS CHECKUP**

Each time you donate you'll receive a free wellness checkup which includes blood pressure, pulse, temperature, iron count and cholesterol screening. These wellness checkups have saved the lives of some of those who volunteer to give blood.

• **YOU MAY BE LESS LIKELY TO HAVE A HEART ATTACK.**

Donating regularly may help your blood flow and result in fewer arterial blockages. In fact, some studies have shown that men who donate at least three times a year can drastically reduce their risk of having a heart attack or stroke.

• **DONATING CAN KEEP YOUR IRON LEVEL BALANCED.**

Having too much iron in your blood can contribute to hardening of the arteries. When you donate blood, the amount of iron in your blood is reduced. The iron will be replenished by the food you eat after donating, but regular donations can balance your iron level.



ROSER ROBICS

9:30 AM Wednesdays & Fridays

IN THE
FELLOWSHIP HALL

All ages and skill levels are welcome as variations are shown, including standing exercises to improve balance and flexibility. This chair-based exercise class is appropriate for older adults and those looking to lessen the impact on their joints. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 says that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit... so let's glorify God, have fun, and move to the music through exercises designed to increase your endurance.

THE COST:

Donation-based
BRING: 2 cans of fruit of equal size and weight to be used for class activities. Cans may be donated to the Food Pantry.

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR:

The instructor, Melissa Merkle, is certified as an AFAA Group Exercise Instructor and Personal Trainer and Health Coach. For more information, visit boomersNmotion.com, call Melissa at 330-990-0990 or email coaches@boomersNmotion.com.

TERRIFIC TUESDAYS IS BACK

a four-week fall installment

OCTOBER 3RD TO OCTOBER 24

Dinner at 5:30 PM each Tuesday.
THE COST IS \$6 PER PERSON (OR \$15 A FAMILY).
From 6:15 to 7:15 PM, we will offer two Bible studies for adults, and a youth/children's study as well. The two studies are:

BAD GIRLS OF THE BIBLE



There are many Bad Girls in the Bible. Each of them demonstrate one great truth -- God's sovereignty. God works through us (even our sins!) to accomplish His will. In our study, we will focus on four women whom God uses in spite of their faults -- the witch of Endor, the woman caught in adultery, Bathsheba, and Tamar. We will see, hopefully, how God can use us, too.

Taught by- Rev. Dr. Bob O'Keef
Location: Chapel

THEOLOGY OF HYMNS: THE GOOD, THE BAD, AND THE UGLY

Ever sung hymns in church and not understood them? Have you ever wondered if some hymns line up with Scripture? This class will explore different hymns each week, study the history of them, and ask whether they are theologically sound.

Taught by- Rev. Neil Crowell
Location: Fellowship Hall





BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

AUGUST

- 28 Susan Christenson
- 28 Quentin Peacock
- 30 Steve Atkins
- 30 Norman Cochran
- 30 Neil Hammer
- 31 Wade LaDue

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Mark Morris
- 2 Joan Peery
- 5 Myralyn Hartsfield
- 7 Wayne Patterson
- 8 Diane Ziemke
- 9 Rachel Willet
- 10 Bev Hunsberger
- 10 Susan Nudd
- 11 Nancy Colcord
- 11 Betsy Grundy
- 11 Sally Martin
- 12 Joyce Brehm
- 12 Lucy Walter
- 14 Jack Lundy
- 14 Marcia Powers
- 15 Karen Parsons
- 17 Erika Mendez
- 17 Betsy Nichols
- 18 Joy Bennington
- 18 Barbara Calhoun
- 18 Peter Hecht
- 19 Dr. Bob O'Keef
- 21 Dean Christensen
- 21 Holly Morse

If your birthday is not listed or is incorrect, please call the office (941-778-0414) or email info@roserchurch.com

GRIEF SHARE

YOUR JOURNEY FROM MOURNING TO JOY

Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend. You are welcome to begin attending the program at any point. Each session is self-contained.

After the cards and flowers have stopped coming, friends and family return to their normal lives. But your grief continues and you feel alone. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and successfully rebuilt their lives. We will walk with you on the long path through grief toward healing and hope for the future. There are three parts to your GriefShare experience— An encouraging, information-packed video featuring leading grief recovery experts, Small group discussion and a workbook for journaling and personal study excercises that reinforce the weekly session topics.

BEGINS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4 AT 1:00 PM in Classroom D and continues every Wednesday for 13 weeks. Call the church office (941-778-0414) to enroll. The cost is \$15 for the workbook (scholarships available).

TOPICS:

- Is This Normal?
- Challenges of Grief
- The Journey of Grief - Part One
- The Journey of Grief - Part Two
- Grief and Your Relationships
- Why?
- Guilt and Anger
- Complicating Factors
- Stuck
- Lessons of Grief - Part One
- Lessons of Grief - Part Two
- Heaven
- What Do I Live for Now?

CLASSES PLANNED FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO BECOME STEPHEN MINISTERS

We are determining the best schedule for the next Stephen Ministry course at Roser, to be offered next winter approximately **JANUARY-MARCH 2018**. Members of Roser Memorial Community Church are eligible to enroll, and there is interest from several potential students at this time. Once we have a definite group of students lined up, we will be able to determine the best day of the week for classes to be offered. Those who are interested in taking Stephen Ministry classes and becoming Stephen Ministers, please call the church office at 941-778-0414 or contact Betsy Grundy. If you or someone you know would like to have a Stephen Minister, please call the church office or contact JoAnne Moyer.

Stephen Ministry is the **ONE-TO-ONE LAY CARING MINISTRY** that takes place in congregations that use the Stephen Series system. Stephen Ministry congregations equip and empower lay caregivers—called Stephen Ministers—to provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to people who are hurting, by carefully and calmly listening, providing perspective, maintaining total confidentiality and privacy, and helping the Care Receiver walk through difficult times.

OVER 50 HOURS OF INITIAL TRAINING takes place in basic counseling and ministry, and students actively participate in their own Christian growth and effective sharing with others. The training takes place before Stephen Ministers are commissioned and assigned to their first Care Receivers. Continuing education takes place during the months after commissioning.

The **ROSER** COMMUNITY CHURCH
MESSENGER



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SOLES FOR LITTLE SOULS is an ongoing project that Church



Women United in Manatee County are happy to support. Several times a year new shoes, and monies especially for shoes and uniforms, are collected and distributed to children in need. Roser Guild members are

happy to be a part of CWU and support this mission, among others. They are delighted to be able to pass along these three big bags of darling new shoes designed by Layla Copeland, of Dynasty Footwear, just in time for the new school year. Dynasty Footwear has donated designer shoes to Church Women United for several years, which have been distributed through some of the elementary schools in our county and more recently at the One Stop Center. **Peggy Nash**

To receive **eUpdates** [WEEKLY eBULLETIN plus] please sign up on the Sunday attendance pad, text **ROSER** to 22828 or scan code above.

Please **LIKE** us on Facebook to receive instant updates and photos.

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES and Annual Report are available in the Narthex.

THE BULLETIN DEADLINE is every Monday at Noon. Please send your submissions to bulletin@roserchurch.com.

TO SCHEDULE AN EVENT check the online calendar at www.roserchurch.com/calendar then scroll down and complete the form or call the church office.

The **THRIFT SHOP** will have a **HALF PRICE** sale on **ALL CLOTHING** on **TUES AUG 28th** and **THURS AUG 31st**

HOURS • TUES & THURS: 9:30 to 2:00 SAT: 10:00 to 1:00

We will be closed for the month of September for cleaning and reorganizing, though we will accept donations on Wednesdays from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. The Thrift shop will reopen Tuesday October 3rd.

Many thanks to our tireless volunteers and the friends whose donations are so important!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED Please call the church office or see Peggy Nash to volunteer.

www.roserchurch.com/thrift-shop