

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy - Frederick William Faber

- 1 There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.
There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.
- 2 There is welcome for the sinner, and more graces for the good.
There is mercy with the Savior, there is healing in his blood.
- 3 But we make God's love too narrow by false limits of our own,
and we magnify its strictness with a zeal God will not own.
- 4 For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind,
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.
- 5 If our love were but more simple, we should rest upon God's word,
and our lives would be illumined by the presence of our Lord.

Moving Towards 2 services in Fall

Our plan is to move towards a return to two services on September 12, but there will need to be some modifications to previous patterns for both services. There will be no passing of offering plates, or microphones, as in the distant past. Communion will continue to be by individual servings.

- 9:00 Worship will return to a traditional order of service in the sanctuary with back pews reserved for masked unvaccinated persons and their families with the rest of the sanctuary unmasked.
- 11:00 Worship will be held in Hicks hall and will be masked because of the greater presence of children. Families will be invited to bring their own snacks. Children will be seated with their families at appropriately-spaced tables. We would like to provide activity sheets for children 4 and up. The order of worship will be modified to make it more accessible for children.

Rev. Katherine Paisley
Lead Pastor

Katherine@RochelleUMC.com

Sharon Johnson - Finance
Finance@RochelleUMC.com

Rev. Glen Stewart
Assistant Pastor

Glen@RochelleUMC.com

Lisa Smith - Communications
Lisa@RochelleUMC.com

The Church Office is Closed for regular business.

Appointments available on an as-needed basis.

Join us on Sunday in person or live streaming at www.rochelleumc.com

WANDERING

with Abraham and Sarah...

Arguing with God



August 8, 2021

Rev. Katherine Paisley, Lead Pastor
Rev. Glen Stewart, Assistant Pastor



Rochelle United Methodist Church
Love God. Love Neighbor.

709 Fourth Avenue, Rochelle, IL 61068
(815) 562-2164 • admin@rochelleumc.com
www.rochelleumc.com • facebook.com/RochelleUMC

O Love, That Wilt Not Let Me Go - George Matheson

- 1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths
its flow may richer, fuller be.
- 2 O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;
my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze
its day may brighter, fairer be.
- 3 O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow thru the rain, and feel the promise is not vain,
that morn shall tearless be.
- 4 O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms
red life that shall endless be.

Trust and Obey - John H. Sammis

- 1 When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and with all who will trust and obey.
*Refrain: Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*
- 2 Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share, but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss, not a frown or a cross, but is blest if we trust and obey.
- 3 But we never can prove the delights of his love until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows, for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust and obey.
- 4 Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do, where he sends we will go; never fear, only trust and obey.



Today's Radio Ministry and
Flower Ministry are
sponsored in memory of
Robert Felker by his family.



Benevolent Fund

During these trying times, our church will continue to help those in need. Your contributions to the Benevolence Fund make this local assistance possible. Thank you.



Scan this QR code to
join the mailing list for
our weekly e-newsletter

August 8, 2021 Order of Worship

Prelude

GATHER

Betsie Swartz

Announcements

Welcome

Call to Worship

Response: May we be open to the word of the Lord!

Opening Prayer

Opening Song

O Love, That Wilt Not Let Me Go

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Response: and make us the instruments of your peace.

The Lord's Prayer

LISTEN

Special Music

Trust and Obey

Scripture

Genesis 18:16-33

Armande Vasilopoulos

Hymn of Preparation #191

Jesus Loves Me

Children's Message

Message

Wandering with Abraham and Sarah... Arguing with God

Pastor Katherine Paisley

RESPOND

Love Feast

When we can't gather together and celebrate holy communion we can partake in the tradition of an Agape Meal or Love Feast. These are meals that take place in the context of worship inviting we invite Christ to be present not only in our worship, but in our eating and our sharing. If you are enjoying food or drink as part of the service at home or on-the-go take a moment now and remember that Jesus ate and drank with saints and sinners, just like us. Think about how God is working in your life. Either talk about that with those worshipping with you or give God thanks for those ways in prayer as we pause in our worship in thankful eating and drinking.

Offertory

Doxology #95

ENGAGE

Closing Hymn

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Parting Blessing

Postlude