

# CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

March 28, 2021

8:30 AM

## WELCOME

## GATHERING SONGS

### You Are My King – Billy James Foote

I'm forgiven because, You were forsaken  
I'm accepted, You were condemned  
I'm alive and well, Your Spirit lives within me  
Because, You died and rose again

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I'm alive and well, Your Spirit lives within me  
Because, You died and rose again

Amazing love, how can it be  
That You, my King, would die for me?  
Amazing love, I know it's true  
It's my joy, to honor You  
In all I do, I honor You

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Amazing love, how can it be  
That You, my King, would die for me?  
Amazing love, I know it's true  
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Jesus, You are my King  
Amazing love, how can it be  
That You, my King, would die for me?  
Amazing love, I know it's true  
It's my joy, to honor You  
In all I do, I honor You  
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## **OPENING PRAYER:**

Almighty God, you know that sometimes it's difficult for us to worship. Our lives are so cluttered with appointments, concerns, worries, possessions, work and play that it seems that we have neither the time nor the energy to praise. Help us, we pray, to clear our minds and to cleanse our souls so we can worship you with sincerity, clarity and purpose. Amen.

## **ASKING FOR FORGIVENESS**

We admit Lord, that we are quick to serve ourselves and slow to serve others. We are eager to receive but reluctant to give. We are slow to admit our own faults and quick to point out the faults of others. Forgive us, we pray, for confusing our priorities, and help us to place our emphases where they belong. Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Faith is not doing, but receiving. Be assured that when by faith we receive Jesus Christ, we also receive pardon and peace. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

## **PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING**

O God, by your Spirit tell us what we need to hear, and show us what we ought to do, to follow Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

## **BIBLE READING**

### **MESSAGE**

Dr. Bob Spratt

### **SPECIAL MUSIC**

#### **Grace Flows Down – David Bell**

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
Amazing love, now flowing down  
From hands to feet, that were nailed to the tree  
As grace flows down and covers me

It covers me  
It covers me  
It covers me  
And covers me

## **PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

### **INVITATION TO SUPPORT CHRIST'S CHURCH**

O Lord, receive these gifts, we pray, as an act of devotion that represents a heart of love and concern. Amen.

## **CLOSING SONGS**

## **How Deep The Father's Love for Us – Stuart Townend**

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.

## **I Could Sing of Your Love Forever – Martin Smith**

Over the mountains and the sea  
Your river runs with love for me  
And I will open up my heart  
And let the Healer set me free  
I'm happy to be in the truth  
And I will daily lift my hands  
For I will always sing  
Of when Your love came down, yeah

I could sing  
I could sing of Your love  
Forever

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Of when Your love came down, yeah

I could sing of Your love forever  
I could sing of Your love forever  
I could sing of Your love forever  
I could sing of Your love forever

Oh I feel like dancing  
It's foolishness I know  
But when the world has seen the light  
They will dance with joy like we're dancing now, yeah

I could sing of Your love forever  
(I could sing of Your love forever)  
(I could sing of Your love forever)  
I could sing of Your love forever, forever  
I could sing of Your love forever  
Oh I feel like dancing  
It's foolishness I know  
But when the world has seen the light  
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## **BLESSING**

### **BETHANY CALENDAR**

Sunday	3/28	9 am	Present Word (Zoom)
Sunday	3/28	10 am	Virtual Worship Service – (Zoom, Facebook Live, Boxcast)
Sunday	3/28	11am-Noon	Pick up palms at Clark entrance
Sunday	3/28	11 am	Coffee hour – (Zoom)
Sunday	3/28	12 pm	Session meeting – (Zoom)
Wednesday	3/31	10:30 am	Staff meeting – (Zoom)
Wednesday	3/31	7 pm	Lenten Book Study (Zoom)
Thursday	4/1	7 pm	Choir meeting (Zoom)
Thursday	4/1	7 pm	Spirituality & Social Justice Group – (Zoom)
Friday	4/2	7 pm	Good Friday Service – (Zoom, Facebook Live, Boxcast)
Sunday	4/4	9 am	Present Word (Zoom)
Sunday	4/4	10 am	Virtual Worship Service – (Zoom, Facebook Live, Boxcast)
Sunday	4/4	11 am	Coffee hour – (Zoom)

**Monroe County-wide Prayer Initiative 2021** for the week of March 28th  
- Culver – Winton - Main.

**PALMS** will be available for pick-up at the Clark entrance today between 11AM – 12PM.

**BUILDING CARING RELATIONSHIPS:** Our faithful “Callers”- Heather Kruspe, Karen McIver, Linda Lamb, Jeannette Johnson, Cindy Hetzler, Cheryl Fisher and Karen Bolinger continue making phone calls every month to check in with women who have asked to have a phone call. A special “Thanks” to Lisa Clement for sending out Christmas cards and Beth Thomsen for sending out birthday cards. Any woman currently inactive with BPWC and would like to have a friendly call or be added to the Communication Distribution List please contact Karen Bolinger- 585-227-2540.

*Accept what is, let go of what was, and have faith in what will be.*

**INTERESTED IN SHARING YOUR MUSICAL GIFTS IN WORSHIP?** Please email our music director, Jacob Montgomery ([jmontgomery.bethany@gmail.com](mailto:jmontgomery.bethany@gmail.com)) about using your talents to praise God and enhance our online service. All are welcome for both traditional and contemporary service offerings.

**EMERGENCY CONTACT:** At times, families or individuals may find they need pastoral support for various reasons ranging from a long-term matter or an emergency. In the event of a pastoral emergency, this can be sought by calling the church office (585) 663-3000 during normal business hours or after hours at (585) 496-4699. In addition, there are several members of the congregation that can be called on for support called Stephen Ministers. Stephen Ministers are congregation members trained by Stephen Leaders to offer high-quality, one-to-one Christian care to people going through tough times. To receive support from a Stephen Minister contact Kim Bolinger at (585) 227-2540 or Wendy Watt (585) 415-2351.

**LESSONS & REFLECTIONS:** Lessons & Reflections was written from the heart with the desire to relate to all my readers. The stories are about relationships and adventures and are told with humor to lighten your hearts and bring a smile to your face. It speaks of appreciation of God who has created each of us and the nature all around us. The photos in this book are both local and from my travels.

The goal of Lessons and Reflections is to inspire my readers to look at their own experiences and new relationships with fresh eyes and an open heart, willing to embrace what the future holds for them.

This book is available to order on-line at Xulon Press and is scheduled to purchase April 10. They will available in hard cover, paperback and e-books. They will also be available through Amazon and Barnes & Noble.Com

I also hope to have a book signing at some point at church and at Alpha Omega Bookstore in Stone Ridge Plaza. I will have books on hand for purchase. Those dates are still to be determined. Thank you for your support. Debbie Haskins

**SERENDIPITY LIFE GROUP #3:** is one of the Life Studies groups at Bethany. The meetings are relaxed and based around passages from the Serendipity Bible. The discussions are not "heavy" and are relatable to our everyday lives and experiences. It is an enjoyable experience to get to know the other members of our church family. Any questions, please call Jack Bansbach at 227-1265. We are currently meeting via Zoom Monday's every other week at 3 PM.

**LIFE GROUP #4:** Are you looking for a light, casual Bible study that meets in the afternoon? Join Bev Bennett on Friday, April 23, 2021 at 3:00 in the Large Hall. Due to Covid-19 guidelines and session regulations, there is a maximum of 10 for in-person meetings. Please call Bev Bennett (585)-225-0206 in advance to sign-up.

### **LENTEN BIBLE STUDY**

Every Wednesday evening through March 31, 2021 from 7:00 pm to 7:30 pm, Dr. Spratt will lead a seven-week Lenten Devotional on the Stations of the Cross on Zoom. The Zoom account number is 243 911 4010, no password is required.

The exact origin of the devotional use of The Stations of the Cross is not entirely clear, though it is associated with Christian pilgrimages to Jerusalem in the early Christian centuries.

Those who were able to walk along the path Jesus walked on the way to his crucifixion were deeply moved by this experience. Yet, since the vast majority of Christians were not able to go to Jerusalem, The Way of the Cross enabled them to engage in a mini-pilgrimage of sorts, so they could focus on the key events of Jesus' last day.

March 31

Jesus dies on the cross (Luke 23:44-46)

Jesus is placed in the tomb (Luke 23:50-54)

Walk along The Way this Lent.

Dear Church Family,

Hello my friends, I hope this finds you all well and looking forward to spring and getting out of the house! I know I am. The good news is, it is just 9 days until SPRING, can you believe it?!

Continuing our tradition of reaching out to our community, our next opportunity to give back is a true win - win for you, your car and Cameron Community Ministries.

I have been involved with [Cameron](#) for many years. This is a truly needed and impactful program in the city of Rochester. See summary below for info on how Cameron touches the lives of so many in our community.

COVID has hit all Non-Profit organizations hard this past year and continues in 2021. This has prevented us from holding many of our primary fundraisers. In response, our Board members are sponsoring "Micro Fundraisers" like our Delta Sonic Car Wash fundraiser. Our goal is to raise \$1000 to help support our Peace Garden. With your help I am confident that we can reach this goal!!

Starting now you can get a head start on your Spring cleaning by purchasing a Delta Sonic car wash ticket(s) in support of [Cameron's Peace Garden](#)! Tickets are just \$15 each, half of which (\$7.50) will go to support the Peace Garden. Thank you Delta Sonic!!

To keep this simple, I will be taking orders for tickets by email or text, and I will collect money when I deliver the tickets to you in person or before I send them to you by mail.

I will use Venmo once again as the preferred method of payment. However, I will take cash, checks and S&H trading stamps (just kidding on the trading stamps!).

These tickets never expire and can be used at any Delta Sonic location. They also make wonderful gifts for all those that are going above and beyond during these trying times, such as care givers, teachers, and many other frontline workers.

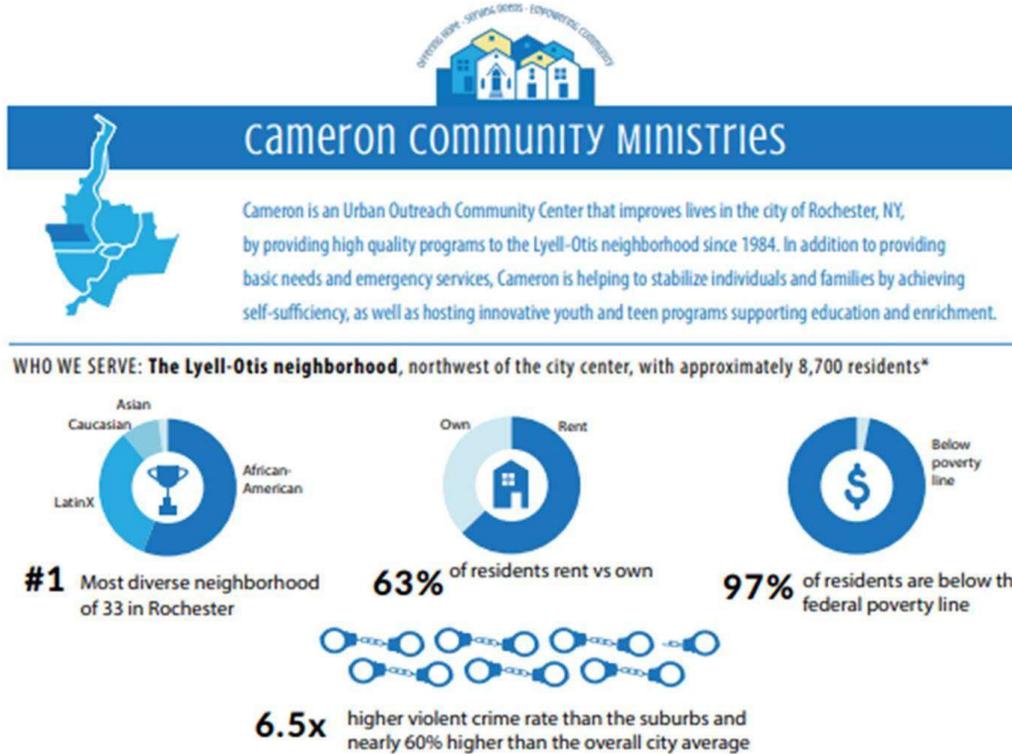
Thank you for helping us grow!

Let me know if you have any questions. Hope to see you around soon, even with a mask!

Thanks, Ron

Work: 585-338-5415, Cell: 585-705-7628, Venmo Ron Fisher directly at: @Ronald-Fisher-26

Email: [rfisher97@gmail.com](mailto:rfisher97@gmail.com)



**HOW WE SERVE: Adults and families**, by addressing multiple Social Determinants of Health



**BASIC NEEDS**

**Meal Program:**

- Free Hot Lunch, Mobile and Emergency Food Pantry and Community Garden
- **23,000** healthy meals served, using the **USDA Myplate** model of a balanced diet
- **1,058** families accessed Food Pantry
- Increased availability to healthy and affordable foods
- Nutrition Education classes

**Transportation:**

- **250** bus passes provided for transportation to medical appointments

**Clothing House:**

- "Boutique-like" Shop
- **2,071** families access for hygiene products, toothbrushes, diapers, clean clothing, linens, etc.
- Interview attire provided for job seekers

**Work Experience Program: (WEP)**

- **RochesterWorks!** places interns at Cameron to learn job skills, particularly around kitchen management and cooking
- Last year, **6 interns** received jobs after Cameron placement

**HIGHER LEVEL NEEDS**

**Social Worker:**

- A full-time, bilingual Social Worker, who is also a medical interpreter
- Forms trusting relationships
- Provides connections (including Resource Fairs) to assist with **medical, DSS, housing, mental health, and substance use needs**
- Helps **150 clients** annually
- Approximately, **25% of clients** receive connections to healthcare through referrals to primary care physician, health insurance navigation, and/or a mental health or substance abuse provider

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## HOW WE SERVE: Children and Adolescents

Paid staff and volunteers provide vibrant education and enrichment in a safe and supportive environment, bridging the digital divide by providing technology, training, and promoting students' use, and preventing summer slide with seasonal programs.



After-school programs



Meals and Snacks



Exercise



Technology



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Life Skills



Technology

### Youth Program—Kindergarten-6<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- Up to **50 children** participate
- Primary emphasis on **academic support, homework completion, positive behavior, and conflict resolution**
- Close collaboration with RCSD including shared academic progress reporting
- Equipped with wifi, laptops, and snacks
- At least 30 minutes of physical exercise daily and weekly lessons in the Community Garden, led by Foodlink, which promote healthy living
- **3 hours with us**, culminating with a nightly dinner together

### Teen Program—7-12<sup>th</sup> Grade:

- Up to **50 children** in our brand new, beautiful Teen Center
- Primary emphasis is on **academic support, life skills, field trips, financial literacy, and mentorship**
- Equipped with wifi, laptops, snacks and meals where they can hang with friends
- Bridging the digital divide by providing **technology, training, and promoting students' use**
- Teens drop in for **up to 4 hours** and share a meal together before leaving

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## Outcomes for Youth—Closing the Achievement Gap:



98%

of Cameron kids are promoted to next grade on time



85%

of Cameron kids improve reading and math levels over the school year  
Only 20% of 3<sup>rd</sup> graders in RCSD are at grade level proficiency, where nearly 50% of Cameron kids are



**Preventing summer slide** by providing enriching programs during summer break



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Students accepted to and attending private schools; including Our Lady of Mercy and McQuaid Jesuit



Social Emotional Learning skills including, **teamwork, self-respect, and self-esteem**



Exposure to **mentors, colleges, career choices**

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\*Sources of Data:

[www.niche.com/places-to-live/n/yell-otis-rochester-ny/#rankings](http://www.niche.com/places-to-live/n/yell-otis-rochester-ny/#rankings) and [commongroundhealth.org](http://commongroundhealth.org) and ACT Rochester

**TICKET PRICES**

1 TICKET	5-PACK	10-PACK
\$15	\$70	\$140

\*\*TWO Washes for the Price of one! With each Super Kiss ticket you have a 5 day comeback for another wash for FREE!

**LIVESTREAMING:** If you have a Smart TV or connect to internet channels on your television with Roku, Amazon Fire Stick, Apple TV, or Chromecast you can add the BoxCast channel and view our Sunday Services live on your TV. Past services will also be available on the BoxCast channel, so you can get caught up or re-watch any time.



1. Add the BoxCast Channel to your internet-connected TV
2. Click on [Find an Organization]
3. Type: **bethany presbyterian**  
(Two organizations are named "bethany presbyterian", ours is the one with the picture of the sanctuary)
4. Click on our "bethany presbyterian" to select this channel
5. View a recent broadcast or live worship service here
6. Return to the BoxCast main page when finished
7. Bethany Presbyterian Church will be saved to the main page - just click for future viewing

Sunday services will continue to be available on Zoom and Facebook and you can continue to use Facebook chat for sharing your prayer requests during the service.

New Boxcast Link <https://boxcast.tv/view/bethany-sunday-service-391388>

Join Zoom by phone only by calling +1 (646) 558-8656 on your land line or (646) 558-8656 on your cellular phone (there may be a long distance charge) and enter the following Meeting ID# 243 911 4010 when prompted, followed by the # sign.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2439114010>



We are a welcoming Christian family who worships God and nurtures spiritual growth through friendship, learning, music and serving others.

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