

# Pursuing His Presence

## Matthew 9:14-17



# RAINBOW PRESBYTERIAN

July 27, 2025 + 8:30 AM Service + Worship Reflections

Thank you for choosing to worship with us. Our hope is you will feel the love of Christ in the gathering of His church on this Lord's Day. We join the Psalmist in praying, "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of our hearts be pleasing to you, O Lord, our rock and redeemer."

If I haven't had the opportunity to meet you, or you would like to say hello, then please come by the gathering space after the service so I can meet you. I am truly thankful you decided to join us today.

Ray Tucker  
Lead Pastor

PRELUDE ..... Instrumental

+ HYMN OF PRAISE ..... Rise Up, O Church of God (#293)  
"Wake up, and strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your works complete in the sight of my God." - Revelation 3:2

CALL TO WORSHIP ..... Isaiah 6:1-3

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

+ HYMN OF ADORATION ..... Be Thou My Vision (#382)  
"But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ."  
Philippians 3:7

WORDS OF CONFESSION ..... .Isaiah 6: 4-5  
And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION & SUPPLICATION .....

WORDS OF ASSURANCE ..... Isaiah 6:6-7  
Responsive

Leader: Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar.

Together: And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Together: Thanks Be To God!

+ HYMN OF ASSURANCE ..... Holy, Holy, Holy (#262)  
"And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"  
Revelation 4:8

+ Denotes to please stand if able.

CHORAL ANTHEM ..... Come Ye Sinners Poor & Needy

SCRIPTURE & SERMON ..... Matthew 9:14-17  
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Then the disciples of John came to him, saying, "Why do we and the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" And Jesus said to them, "Can the wedding guests mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast. No one puts a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old garment, for the patch tears away from the garment, and a worse tear is made. 17 Neither is new wine put into old wineskins. If it is, the skins burst and the wine is spilled and the skins are destroyed. But new wine is put into fresh wineskins, and so both are preserved."

+ HYMN OF RESPONSE ..... Seek Ye First (#42)  
"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you." - Matthew 6:33

+ BENEDICTION ..... Numbers 6:24-26  
The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace. Amen.

+ THE DOXOLOGY ..... (#625)

Musical notation for the first system of the Doxology. The lyrics are: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here be low;

Musical notation for the second system of the Doxology. The lyrics are: Praise Him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host; Praise Fa-ther, Son and Ho-ly Ghost. A - men.

TEXT: Thomas Ken  
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois  
OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.

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<b>Deacon On Duty</b>	<b>Jul 26-Aug 1</b>	<b>David Shadix</b>
<b>Elder On Call</b>	<b>Jul 26-Aug 1</b>	<b>John O’Leary</b>
<b>Deacon On Duty</b>	<b>Aug 2-Aug 8</b>	<b>Will Carn</b>
<b>Elder On Call</b>	<b>Aug 2-Aug 8</b>	<b>Michael McMillan</b>

Summer Sunday School Quarter June 1 through August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025

## Studying Paul's Letter to the Philippians

**Strong Finishers/S101: Men of all ages**

## Studying the Book of Daniel. Facilitator: Tom Nabors

### Women of the Word/A102: Women of all ages

Studying the Attributes of God. Facilitator: Gay Atkinson

ing in Grace /Whitwer Classroom -Fellowship Hall: Variety of Adult

## Studying Paul's Letter to the Romans. Facilitator: Wade Hooper

### – Studying “God’s Assurances and Promises Together”

Facilitator: Drew Laughlin

**RPC CHOIR PRACTICE | Wednesdays' | 6PM**

### UP CAMP - Establishing our Faith | Upcoming 6th Graders

**August 8th - 10th, 2025**

### RPC MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES RESUME AUG. 20TH

## 5PM - Meal

### 6PM - Activities for Nursery, Children, Youth & Adults

**7:30PM RPC Choir Practice**

## RPC FAMILY CAMP

**August 22-24, 2025 | Shocco Springs Retreat**