Hurley Reformed Church Fourth Sunday of Easter April 30, 2023; 10:00am

Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

MORNING WORSHIP OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Joyful is the sound we make this morning! **All:** For this day liberates us from doubt and fear. Leader: Thankful is the song we sing!

All: For this day moves us past darkness and despair.

- Leader: Hopeful is the prayer upon our lips!
- All: For this day awakens in us long-awaited new life.
- Leader: Jesus said, "Where two or more are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'
- All: Christ lives here and now. He is among us at this and every moment!

Leader: May his peace and presence be known to you.

All: And also with you.

*HYMN OF APPROACH: #541 "Jesus Calls"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we come to you praising your name, but also seeking your forgiveness. We have sinned against you and others by our thoughts, our words, and our deeds. We have preferred our ways to yours, and have consistently allowed ourselves to go astray. Forgive us and restore us, Lord, so that we might serve you all of our days. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON [Words and music found on the inside cover of hymnal.]

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

*RESPONSIVE READING:

Leader: Praise the LORD!All:Praise the LORD from the heavens;Leader: praise him in the heights!All:Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his host!

Leader: Praise him, sun and moon;

All: praise him, all you shining stars!

Leader: Praise him, you highest heavens,

All: Praise him you waters above the heavens!

Leader: Let us praise the name of the LORD,

All: for he commanded and we were created.

Leader: Praise the LORD from the earth,

All: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for his name alone is exalted;

Leader: his glory is above earth and heaven.

All: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his faithful, for the people of Israel who are close to him. Praise the LORD!

*GLORIA PATRI [Words and music found on inside cover of hymnal.]

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE CHILDREN DISMISS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #17 "Joyful, Joyful"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Psalm 23 (pg.443) New Testament: John 10:1-10 (pg.868) Acts 2:42-47 (pg 883)

SERMON:

"Ushering Them In"

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY [Words and music found on inside cover of hymnal.] PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

*HYMN OF CONSECRATION: "Here I am Lord" (see insert)

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand if you are able

Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church!

With joy we welcome your presence among us today. Let the words of the psalmist set the tone of our worship: "Sing praises to the LORD, O you faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name--joy comes with the morning" (Psalm 30:4-5 NSRV)

In Person and Zoom Worship happens at 10am!

Ushers assisting in the service are Lee Gable and Alan Dumas.

Please join us in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments! Thank you to the Longto's for providing them.

Flowers on the Alter are provided by the Longto's

Leading us in song is Joy Pollard

Mission of the month- People's Place

Reach out to those who need your support in their day to day needs:

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Shirley Ruth is in Golden Hill; Bev Roosa is at the Terraces at Brookmeade; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; David Giles, Barbara Sartorius in New Hampshire, Terry Conlin, Teresa Decker-please pray for her.

Audio recordings of the weekly sermon are available on our website, HurleyReformedChurch.org.

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Stickley Gardens Columbarium . . . A sacred place of beauty and contemplation. (Located on the south lawn of the church.)

The lone candle on the chancel is our Peace Candle. It represents this church's support for the men and women in military service, and our prayer that one day we will live in a world where their sacrifice is no longer needed.



Hurley Reformed Church Hurley, New York

The Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich Minister of Word and Sacrament

Welcome

May the doors of this church be wide enough to receive all who need human love and fellowship, and a Father's care; and narrow enough to shut out all envy and hate.

Enter to Worship

#541 Jesus Calls

- Jesus calls us o'er the tumult Of our life's wild, restless, sea, Day by day His sweet voice soundeth, Saying, "Christian, follow Me."
- Jesus calls us from the worship Of the vain world's golden store, From each idol that would keep us, Saying, "Christian, love Me more."
- In our joys and in our sorrows, Days of toil and hours of ease, Still He calls, in cares and pleasures, "Christian, love Me more than these."
- Jesus calls us. By Thy mercies, Savior, may we hear Thy call, Give our hearts to Thine obedience, Serve and love Thee best of all.

#17 Joyful, Joyful

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, Opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee; Earth and Heaven reflect Thy rays. Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea, Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee! Ever blessing, ever blest, Well spring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our Brother All who live in love are Thine. Teach us how to love each other; Lift us to the joy divine!

Mortals join the mighty chorus Which the morning stars began. Father love is reigning o'er us; Brother love binds man to man. Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife. Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life!

Thou art giving and forgiving,

Announcements- April 30, 2023

- Flower and Refreshments sign-up sheets for 2023 are on the wall in Schadewald Hall for anyone that would like to sign up for a date! Please email or call the office if you would like something special printed in the bulletin on the week you sign up for.
- The mission of the month is People's Place and we will also be collecting cooking oil of any kind and/or baby diapers, any size for Bread of Life.
- **Please join us** on May 13th at 9am for our spring cleanup of the church grounds.

Upcoming Hurley Nursery School Event:





On Thursday, May 11th, take the night off from cooking and pick up dinner at the Hurley Nursery School. (All profits support our students.)

Choice of Chicken (\$17) or Ribs (\$19) + choice of 2 sides (Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Mac-n-Cheese, or Slaw) – sides chosen at pick up, cornbread/butter, water, and a cookie from Uptown Coffee.

Order forms and flyer are in the Fundraising bin on the wall across from the church office or call the school 845-339-1036 to order. (Orders due May 5^{th})

Upcoming Church Events:



Here I Am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.All who dwell in deepest and sin, My hand will save.I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Chorus Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.I have wept for love of them. They turn away.I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Chorus

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Chorus