

Hurley Reformed Church  
Fifth Sunday in Lent  
April 6, 2025; 10:00am  
Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**OUR APPROACH TO GOD**

PRELUDE  
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In days to come, the mountain of the Lord's house  
will be set over all other mountains,  
Raised high above all hills.  
Nations will stream towards it and many people will say,

**All: Let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways,  
and that we may walk in his paths.**

Leader: Instruction comes from Jerusalem,

**All: The Word of the Lord, from Zion.**

\*HYMN OF APPROACH: **#696 "I Love to Tell the Story"**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Shepherd of Creation, God of grace, you have sent us Jesus, the light of the world. But of walking in his light we chosen to walk darkness and cling to the things that hide the light of your love. When we ignore your light, we stumble through our lives in darkness. In this season of Lent, help us Lord, to see your light. Help us to walk in it and to guide others towards it. Give us the strength to cling to the brightness of your love. In your holy name we pray, Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON [Words and music found on the inside cover of hymnal.]  
ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

\*RESPONSIVE READING Apostles Creed

**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 Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

**was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on 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 Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church\*,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**THE WORD OF GOD**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: **#233 "The Old Rugged Cross"**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Psalm 126 (pg. 500)

New Testament: John 12:1-8 (pg. 871)

SERMON: "Extravagantly Loving"

**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: **#212 "Tell Me the Old, Old Story"**

\*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 Marilyn More and Wally Cook

**Please join us** in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments! Thank you to The Croswell Family for providing them.

**Flowers on the altar** are provided by the Croswell Family

**Leading us in song** is Joy Pollard

**Mission of the month will be** Hudson Valley National Center for Veteran Reintegration

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

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Bev Roosa is at the Terraces at Brookmeade; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Terry Conlin; Shirley Burns

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

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### Consistory 2025

#### Elders

Dennis Croswell, *Senior Elder*  
Marilyn More  
Walter Cook  
Christopher Decker, *IT*  
Margaret Sass, *Clerk*  
Bill Baldinger

#### Deacons

Allan Dumas, *Finance*  
Russ Voigtlaender, *Property & Maintenance*  
Jeanne Quenzer, *Program & Activities*  
Aileen Helsley, *Youth Ministry*  
Dino Sumerano, *Worship*  
Terry Gaffken, *Missions*

Rev. Charles E. Stickley, *Pastor Emeritus*

**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

Depart to Serve

## #696 I Love to Tell the Story

1. I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.  
I love to tell the story Because I know 'tis true.  
It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.

*Refrain:*

*I love to tell the story!  
'Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story  
Of Jesus and His love.*

2. I love to tell the story; More wonderful it seems  
Than all the golden fancies Of all our golden dreams.  
I love to tell the story; it did so much for me,  
And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.

*Refrain:*

3. I love to tell the story; 'Tis pleasant to repeat  
What seems each time I tell it More wonderfully sweet.  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.

*Refrain:*

4. I love to tell the story; For those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.  
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song,  
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long.

*Refrain:*

## #233 The Old Rugged Cross

- 1-On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
The emblem of suffering and shame;  
And I love that old cross, where the dearest and best  
For a world of lost sinners was slain.

*Refrain:*

*So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,  
Till my trophies at last I lay down.  
I will cling to the old rugged cross,  
And exchange it some day for a crown.*

- 2-O the old rugged cross, so despised by the world,  
Has a wondrous attraction for me;  
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above  
To bear it to dark Calvary.

*Refrain*

- 3-In the old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,  
A wondrous beauty I see; For 'twas on that old cross Jesus  
suffered and died To pardon and sanctify me.

*Refrain*

- 4-To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,  
Its shame and reproach gladly bear.  
Then He'll call me some day to my home far away,  
Where his glory forever I'll share.

*Refrain*

## #212 Tell Me the Old, Old Story

Tell me the old, old story  
Of unseen things above-  
Of Jesus and His glory,  
Of Jesus and His love.  
Tell me the story simply,  
As to a little child;  
For I am weak and weary,  
And helpless and defiled.

*Refrain:*

*Tell me the old, old story.  
Tell me the old, old story.  
Tell me the old, old story  
Of Jesus and His love.*

Tell me the story slowly,  
That I may take it in-  
That wonderful redemption,  
God's remedy for sin.  
Tell me the story often,  
For I forget so soon.  
The early dew of morning  
Has passed away at noon.

*Refrain*

Tell me the same old story  
When you have cause to fear  
That this world's empty glory  
Is costing me too dear.  
Yes, and when that world's glory  
Is dawning on my soul,  
Tell me the old, old story:  
'Christ Jesus makes thee whole.'

*Refrain*

## Announcements-April 6, 2025

### Activities this week:

Monday: 1:00pm Tai Chi in Schadewald Hall  
6:30pm Al-Anon in Schadewald Hall  
Tuesday: 9:00am Bible Study in the Dutch Room  
4:15pm Karate in Schadewald Hall  
Wednesday: 12:00pm Social Solos  
Thursday: 4:15pm Karate in Schadewald Hall  
Friday: 1:00pm Knitters in the Dutch Room  
Saturday: 9:00am Karate in Schadewald Hall  
Sunday: 9:30am Palm Sunday march from the Library

**The mission for April** will be Hudson Valley National Center for Veteran Reintegration Their mission is to provide support for both our current military personnel while they are back home and our veterans by assisting them with their transition back into civilian life. HVNCVR offers programs that serve every aspect of the facilitation back into civilian life for a Veteran – such as our career/employment transition programs, financial literacy strategies, classes in social reintegration, and substance abuse assistance.

In the basket we will collect flour and sugar for Bread of Life.

Thank you for helping to support this worthy program in our community.

**Our 2025 Flower and Refreshments** signup sheets are posted in the hall for anyone that would like to sign up for a date!

**Piano**-If anyone would like a free piano or knows someone that would please contact the church office or Rev. Bill

**Come Join Us!** We'll be marching from the library to the church on Palm Sunday. We will be leaving around 9:30. Gather at the library beforehand. See you there!

**Thank you** to everyone who supported our Easter Plant fundraiser. We will be putting the flowers out on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 9am if anyone would like to help.