

Hurley Reformed Church

Easter Sunday

April 4, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor
Jane Barsumian, Organist and Choir Director

MORNING WORSHIP

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Leader: Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: **He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

Leader: God has claimed us as his own.

All: **He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

HYMN OF APPROACH: **#264, "Thine is the Glory"**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, on Christmas we celebrate the birth of your Son. Today we come singing praises for his resurrection. For this gift of new life we thank you. But we ask your forgiveness for those sins which we have committed by our thoughts, words and deeds. Help us Lord to serve you and your kingdom in the days ahead. Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

RESPONSIVE READING:

Leader: In life, in death, in life beyond death,

All: **Jesus Christ is Lord**

Leader: Over powers and principalities over all who determine, control, govern or finance the affairs of humankind,

All: **Jesus Christ is Lord**

Leader: Of the poor, of the broken, of the sinned against and the sinner,

All: **Jesus Christ is Lord**

Leader: Above the Church, beyond our most excellent theologies and in the quiet corners of our hearts,

All: **Jesus Christ is Lord.**

Leader: Thanks be to God.

All: **Amen.**

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Children leave for Sunday School

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN OF PREPARATION: **#260, "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Isaiah 25:6-9

New Testament: John 20:1-18

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *"How Long a Way"*

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERING

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MORNING PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN OF CONSECRATION: **"Lord of the Dance"**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Rev. Bob VanderLaan is recuperating at home; David Giles had a bad fall and is now home; Viola Updahl is in Tenbroeck Rehab; Carla Campuzano is at home recuperating from surgery; Shirley Ruth is in Golden Hill; Alice Presti has moved to North Carolina nearer her daughter; Bev Roosa is at the Terraces at Brookmeade; Fred Horvers at TenBroeck; Lori Pinkham in Wingate at Ulster; Anthony DiPietro (son of MaryAnn DiPietro), Marie Dressel; Philip Greer.

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

Depart to Serve

#264 Thine is the Glory

1. Thine is the glory,
Risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry
Thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment
Rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes
Where Thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory,
Risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry
Thou o'er death hast won!

2. Lo, Jesus meets us,
Risen from the tomb;
Lovingly He greets us,
Scatters fear and gloom.
Let His Church with gladness,
Hymns of triumph sing
For her Lord now liveth;
Death hath lost its sting.
3. No more we doubt Thee,
Glorious Prince of life!
Life is naught without Thee;
Aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conqu'rors,
Through Thy deathless love;
Bring us safe through Jordan
To Thy home above.

#260 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high. Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply: Alleluia!
2. Lives again our glorious King. Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, he all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!
3. Love's redeeming work is done. Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won. Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids His rise. Alleluia!
Christ hath opened paradise Alleluia!
4. Soar we now where Christ hath led. Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head. Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

Lord of The Dance

1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
And I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain:

Dance, then, wherever you may be,
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.

2. I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
But they would not dance and they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John.
They came with me and the Dance went on.
3. I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame;
The holy people said it was a shame.
They whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high,
And they left me there on a Cross to die.
4. I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back.
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
But I am the Dance, and I still go on.
5. They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me -
I am the Lord Of the Dance, said he.

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: Brothers and sisters,
since the Lord has now fed us at his Table,
let us praise God's holy name with heartfelt thanksgiving!
Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

People: and do not forget all his benefits—

Leader: who forgives all your iniquity,

People: who heals all your diseases,

Leader who redeems your life from the Pit,

People: who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

People: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Leader: He does not deal with us according to our sins,

People: nor repay us according to our iniquities.

Leader: For as the heavens are high above the earth,

People: so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

Leader: as far as the east is from the west,

People: so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

Leader: As a father has compassion for his children,

People: so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him,

Leader: who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all, and
will also give us all things with him.

**People: Therefore shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of
the Lord, from this time forth forevermore. Amen.**

From Psalm 103, with additions

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR April 4, 2021

Happy Easter!

Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church! HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! We welcome all to this Easter service of celebration. Come to the Lord's Table expecting that the Lord Jesus will make himself known to you in the breaking of bread and the sharing of wine. Say hello to Rev. Bill.

Ushers assisting in the service are Linda Moon and Jim Pirro.

Tune your car radio to 94.9 FM for the service.

Please stay in your car and wave your hellos

Yard Sale: The date of the yard sale has changed. The church & church family yard sale on June 5, 2021 from 8am till 2pm. Spots available for \$15 (tables will not be available for rental). To rent a spot for the June yard sale please contact Lisa Longto at 845-532-7570.

In Person Worship happens today at 11:30 am. If you wish to worship in person next week, please call the office for reservations by the Wednesday.

Do you have happy news you want to share? Coffee hour isn't available to us so we are all missing out on opportunities to catch up with each other -- good news or bad. If you have a happening that you want to share with your church family, let the office know. We can/will publish it in the Spire and/or in the bulletin. This can be a vital way to connect with each other.

Reopening Committee: If you want to be part of the planning for reopening, please contact Rev. Bill. Everyone and everyone's inputs are welcome.

The mission of the month of April is Joshua Bode Missionary in Oman. He was the minister at Woodstock Reformed and was very instrumental in getting Rev Bill for us. The monies will go to him through the Classis.

Deacon of the month is Linda Moon. Contact her at 845-234-9656 if you need a deacon's assistance.

By order of the Consistory, Hurley Reformed Church's building is closed for the duration of the Coronavirus State of Emergency. Only essential workers (as defined by the state of emergency) are allowed in the building. Apologies for the inconvenience. Your safety and health are the greatest priority. Be safe.

The **bathroom** is available during services for urgent situations only. If you use the bathroom, please sanitize with the Clorox wipes found in the unisex rest room.

Bulletin: If you need a bulletin mailed to you, please let Dorothy know by Tuesday. Include your address and other pertinent information.