

Hurley Reformed Church  
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 22, 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/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

All: **Again today we come together to worship the God of creation, of salvation, of time and eternity; the God of all peoples, of all nations, of all conditions of people everywhere.**

Leader: Praise the Lord. All that is within me, praise God's holy name.

All: **Praise the Lord and remember all God's kindnesses: in forgiving sins; in curing our diseases; in saving us from destruction; in surrounding us with love.**

Leader: The Lord is full of mercy and compassion. The Lord is slow to anger and willing to give us gifts of love. Praise the Lord! Oh, all that is within me, praise the Lord.

HYMN OF APPROACH: #460, "Be Thou My Vision"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious God, we come to you. With heavy hearts or songs of joy, we come before you. Through good and bad times you are always there with us. But too often we have put our trust in other things, and have tried to forge our own way. Forgive us, Lord. And may we forever put our faith and trust not in the things of this world but in you, our loving and compassionate God. Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

RESPONSIVE READING:

Leader: May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith; may we experience Christ's love, which surpasses all knowledge; may we attain to the fullness of God.

All: **Happy are those whose hearts are set upon the pilgrimage! The Lord withholds no good things from those who walk in sincerity.**

Leader: May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith; may we experience Christ's love, which surpasses all knowledge; may we attain to the fullness of God.

All: **Obey the commandments of the Lord, love God, walk in God's ways. Heed the Lord's voice and hold fast to him.**

Leader: May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith; may we experience Christ's love, which surpasses all knowledge; may we attain to the fullness of God.

All: **Your light shall break forth like the dawn, your wound shall quickly be healed. You shall cry for help and the Lord will answer. He will renew your strength and you shall be like a spring whose water never fails.**

Leader: May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith; may we experience Christ's love, which surpasses all knowledge; may we attain to the fullness of God.

All: **Bring glad tidings to the poor, proclaim liberty to the captives, restore sight to the blind, release the prisoners, announce a year of favor from the Lord.**

Leader: May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith; may we experience Christ's love, which surpasses all knowledge; may we attain to the fullness of God.

All: **They will come from the east and the west, the north and the south and will take their place at the feast in the kingdom of God.**

Leader: May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith; may we experience Christ's love, which surpasses all knowledge; may we attain to the fullness of God.

GLORIA PATRI

### THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #554, "It is Well with My Soul"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

New Testament: Ephesians 6:10-20

SERMON: "Suiting Up"

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

HYMN OF CONSECRATION: #644, "Onward, Christian Soldiers"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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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 need



**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*

## #460 Be Thou my Vision

1. Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art--  
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
2. Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine Inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art.
4. High King of Heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heav'n's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.

## #554 It is Well with My Soul

1. When peace like a river attendeth my way,  
When sorrows like sea billows roll,  
Whatever my lot,  
Thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."  
  
Refrain:  
It is well with my soul,  
It is well, it is well with my soul.
2. Though Satan should buffet,  
though trials should come,  
Let this blest assurance control,  
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,  
And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
3. My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!—  
My sin – not in part but the whole –  
Is nailed to His cross, and I bear it no more!  
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

4. And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul.

## #644 Onward, Christian Soldiers

1. Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus going on before.  
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;  
Forward into battle see His banners go!  
  - o *Refrain:*  
Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus going on before.
2. At the sign of triumph Satan's host doth flee;  
On then, Christian soldiers, on to victory!  
Hell's foundations quiver at the shout of praise;  
Brothers, lift your voices, loud your anthems raise.
3. Like a mighty army moves the church of God;  
Brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod.  
We are not divided, all one body we,  
One in hope and doctrine, one in charity.
4. Crowns and thrones may perish, kingdoms rise and wane,  
But the church of Jesus constant will remain.  
Gates of hell can never 'gainst that church prevail;  
We have Christ's own promise, and that cannot fail.
5. Onward then, ye people, join our happy throng,  
Blend with ours your voices in the triumph song.  
Glory, laud, and honor unto Christ the King,  
This through countless ages men and angels sing.

## Announcements for August 22, 2021

**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)

**Ushers assisting in the service** are Chris Decker and Bob Kindt.

**In Person Worship** happens at 10:00 am. We will continue to worship in the parking lot and by Zoom.

**There is coffee!** (No dessert though) Fellowship in Schadewald Hall after worship.

**Barbara Sartorius** has a new address. She would love to hear from you.  
Barbara Sartorius c/o David Sartorius 63 Deer Ridge Drive Barrington, NH 03825

**Condolences to the family** of Sheila Craven. Sheila went to glory August 16, 2021. Cards can be sent to the family at 144 Sheryl St. Hurley, NY 12443. "Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted."

**We are looking for** volunteers to help some of our members who aren't able to drive anymore get to worship. If you are willing to assist, not every week but on occasion, please let Rev Bill know.

**Mark your calendars:** September 14: Brooks BBQ  
October 16: Craft Fair

**The mission of the month of July** is Rural and Migrant Ministries. Thank you for your generous donations.

**Deacon of the month is Linda Moon.** Contact her if you need a deacon's assistance.

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

Helen Sgroi is at Woodland Pond recuperating from shoulder surgery; Ron Every is home; Barbara Sartorius is recuperating at her son's home in New Hampshire; Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Viola Opdahl is home; 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.

**Audio recordings** of the weekly sermon are available on our website, [HurleyReformedChurch.org](http://HurleyReformedChurch.org).

All proceeds benefit the Hurley Reformed Church, Main St, Hurley NY

Drive-Up Take-Out **Brook's** Drive-Up Take-Out  
Chicken BBQ from Oneonta, NY

**Sept. 14, 2021**  
4:00pm - 6:30pm

1/2 chicken, coleslaw, baked potato, dinner roll & dessert **\$14.00**

For Tickets Call: **845-687-4006**