

Hurley Reformed Church  
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 30, 2020, 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: O Lord God, how great you are! On the first day of the week we commemorate your creation of the world and all that is in it.

All: **Lord, send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.**

Leader: O Lord God, how great you are! On the first day of the week we commemorate the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, from the dead.

All: **Lord, create in us a pure heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us.**

Leader: O Lord God, how great you are! On the first day of the week we celebrate in song the presence of your Holy Spirit in the church and throughout the whole world.

HYMN OF APPROACH: **#444, "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Mighty and everlasting God, we come confessing that we have not sought after your kingdom. We have followed other things and not you. Forgive us, for those sins which we commit knowingly and unknowingly. Set our eyes and hearts on doing your will in this world and helping to build your Kingdom. Hear this our prayer, Amen**

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

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

RESPONSIVE READING:

Leader: Praise the LORD!

All: **We will give thanks to the Lord with our whole hearts, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

Leader: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

All: **Full of honor and majesty is God's work and God's righteousness endures forever.**

Leader: He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;

All: **The Lord is gracious and merciful and ever mindful of his covenant.**

Leader: the Lord has shown his people the power of his works in giving them the heritage of the nations.

All: **The works of God's hands are faithful and just; established forever and performed with faithfulness and uprightness**

Leader: He sent us redemption and commanded his covenant forever.

All: **Holy and awesome is God's name! His praise endures forever.**

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

**THE WORD OF GOD**

HYMN OF PREPARATION: **#696, "I Love to tell the Story"**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Exodus 3:1-15

New Testament: Matthew 16:21-28

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *"Reaching Deeper into the Fire"*

**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)

HYMN OF CONSECRATION: **#36, "To God be the Glory"**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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

Deb Zuill is recovering at home after gall bladder surgery; Doug Constant is recuperating at home; Linda Cook is home; Gene Groelle is in rehab at Woodland Ponds; Jim and Sheila Craven are home; Alice Presti has moved to North Carolina nearer her daughter; Bev Roosa is at the Terraces at Brookmeade; MaryLou Vogt is in Hudson Valley Senior Residence; Shirley Ruth is in Mountain Valley Manor; 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](http://HurleyReformedChurch.org).



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**Consistory 2020**

***Elders***

Douglas Constant, *Senior Elder, Classis Delegate*  
Glenn Decker, *Finance*  
Sandra Emrich, *Program & Activities*  
Sandra Gregory, *Columbarium Liaison*  
Kathleen Jansen, *Missions*  
James Pirro, *Property & Maintenance*

***Deacons***

Linda Clarke-Dido, *Worship*  
Christopher Decker, *Information Technology*  
Roberta Falatyn, *Women's Ministries*  
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David Kent, *Youth Ministries*  
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Rev. Charles E. Stickle, *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*

## #44 Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
There is no shadow of turning with Thee.  
Thou changest not; Thy compassions, they fail not.  
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.
  - *Refrain:*  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see.  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.  
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth.  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow—  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

## #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 would 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.
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.
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.

## #36 To God be the Glory

1. To God be the glory-- great things He hath done;  
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,  
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,  
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.
  - *Refrain:*  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice!  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!  
Oh, come to the Father, through Jesus the Son,  
And give Him the glory, great things He hath done!
2. Oh, perfect redemption, the purchase of blood --  
To every believer, the promise of God!  
The vilest offender who truly believes,  
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.
3. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done,  
And great our rejoicing through Jesus, the Son!  
But purer and higher and greater will be  
Our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR August 30, 2020

**Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church this morning.** Thanks for part of worship this morning. We are happy you responded to Jesus' invitation to be part of his family as it gathers together today to seek that peace which only he can give to our lives. Wave hello to everyone. Say hello to Rev. Bill.

**Ushers assisting in the service are** Sandy Gregory and Kathy Jansen.  
**Tune your car radio to 94.9 FM for the service.**  
**Please stay in your car and wave your hellos!**

### Activities:

*Tuesday 9:00 am Bible Study by Zoom*

**Rev Bill will be** available for visits (with social distancing protocols). Contact the church to request a visit.

**Fellowship opportunity?** Are you interested in a church social hangout on Zoom? If you are, contact the office by email with your time preference (morning, afternoon, tea time or early evening). This can be a wonderful way to maintain contact with those you have missed seeing.

**Pecans:** Pre-Orders are going on now for our annual pecans. Please contact Sandy via email [DSKCE12402@aol.com](mailto:DSKCE12402@aol.com) or call her at **845-687-4006** to place your order. Pecans sold out last year in no time & they will this year as well. Get your order in ASAP as I only ordered so many of Plain, Milk Chocolate, Dark Chocolate & Clusters. The cost this year will be \$12 per bag. Thank you for your support!! – Sandy Emrich

**Brooks BBQ:** This will be held on 9/15 from 4 pm till 6:30 pm. This is a BBQ Chicken dinner for \$14 per meal. This is a drive up & take out event. Please **call Sandy at 845-687-4006** to place your order or email her at [DSKCE12402@aol.com](mailto:DSKCE12402@aol.com). Last year we sold 600 meals & we need to go above & beyond that figure. So, please help spread the word. Delivery maybe available if the order is 10 or more dinners. Thank you for your support. – Sandy Emrich

**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.

**The mission of the month** for August is the Water Mission. This year the Hurley Church will be the starting off point for the Hudson Valley Walk for Water to be held September 19 at 10 am. (Virtual walk plans are also being made, in case) The goal is to support water purification systems for communities along the Amazon River in Peru. Despite living near the Amazon River, these

communities have extremely limited access to safe drinking water. The proceeds to help these communities will be donated to the Water Mission of Charleston, SC, where we have given in the past. Donations can be made through your mission envelope or the day of the walk. If you would like to join the walk in Team **Hurley H2Oers** or help out the morning of the walk contact Rebecca Masters at 338-3556 , rebamast@ gmail.com

**Deacon of the month** is Roberta Falatyn. Contact her at 845-532-8421 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 chlorox wipes found in the unisex rest room.

**Alice Presti has moved.** She is in quarantine and would love cards and notes. Her new address is

attn: Mrs. Alice Presti Rm 310  
Aston Park Health Care Center, Inc.  
380 Brevard Rd.  
Asheville, NC 28806  
Telephone: 828-253-4437 ext 222

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*All proceeds benefit the Hurley Reformed Church*

**September 15, 2020**

**4:00pm - 6:30pm**

Hurley Reformed Church, Main St, Hurley NY

*Includes: 1/2 chicken, baked  
potato, coleslaw, dinner  
roll, bottled water & dessert*

**\$14.00**

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