Hurley Reformed Church Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 24, 2023; 10:00am

Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

MORNING WORSHIP OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us and we are his.

- All: We are his people, the sheep of his pasture.
- Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.
- All: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues to all generations.

*HYMN OF APPROACH: #670 "Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Holy Lord most high, we come before you confessing those times when we have not followed the path you have set for us. We have preferred to walk our own way, muddling through life. We have caused our brothers and sisters to stumble. We have even stumbled ourselves. Strengthen us, guide us, challenge us. So that we can walk your path, the path of our Lord. In your gracious name, 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: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
- All: Every day I will bless you, and praise your name forever and ever.

Leader: Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; his greatness is

unsearchable.

- All: One generation shall laud your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.
- Leader: On the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
- All: The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed, and I will declare your greatness.
- Leader: They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness, and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
- All: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #472 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Exodus 16:2-15 (pg.44) Jonah 3:10-4:11 (pg.745) New Testament: Philippians 1:21-30 (pg 952)

SERMON: "When our Perceptions meet God's reality"

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: #65 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*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 Bob Kindt and Glenn Decker.

Please join us in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments! Thank you to the Consistory for our Ice Cream Social.

Flowers on the Alter are provided by Marilyn Lowe

Leading us in song is Joy Pollard

Mission of the month- Teen hygiene items for Kingston High School

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; Terry Conlin; David Kent; Shirley Burns

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

#670 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; He whose word cannot be broken Formed thee for His own abode. On the Rock of Ages founded, What can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou may'st smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters, Springing from eternal Love, Well supply thy sons and daughters, And all fear of want remove. Who can faint while such a river Ever flows their thirst t'assuage? Grace which, like the Lord, the Giver, Never fails from age to age!

Round each habitation hov'ring, See the cloud and fire appear For a glory and a cov'ring, Showing that the Lord is near! Thus they march, the pillar leading, Light by night and shade by day, Dailey on the manna feeding Which He gives them when they pray.

Savior, since of Zion's city I thro' grace a member am, Let the world deride or pity-I will glory in Thy name. Fading is the world's best pleasure, All its boasted pomp and show; Solid joys and lasting treasures None but Zion's children know.

#472 Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, Forgive our foolish ways! Reclothe us in our rightful mind; In purer lives Thy service find; In deeper rev'rence, praise. In simple trust like theirs who heard, Beside the Syrian sea, The gracious calling of the Lord, Let us, like them, without a word, Rise up and follow Thee.

Drop Thy still dews of quietness Till all our strivings cease. Take from our souls the strain and stress, And let our ordered lives confess The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe thro' the heats of our desire Thy coolness and Thy balm. Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire; Speak thro' the earthquake, wind, and fire, O still, small voice of calm!

#65 Inmortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes, Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious- Thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might; Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest- to both great and small; In all life Thou livest- the true Life of all. Thy wisdom so boundless, Thy mercy so free, Eternal Thy goodness, for naught changeth Thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight. All laud we would render- O help us to see 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee Crown Him the Lord of Heav'n! One with the Father known, One with the Spirit thro' Him giv'n From yonder glorious throne. To Thee be endless praise, For Thou for us hast died. Be Thou, O Lord, thro' endless days Adored and magnified!

Announcements- September 24, 2023

- The mission for the month of September is to collect teen hygiene items to be donated to the Kingston high school. Items will include shampoo, deodorant, body wash, women's hygiene products, toothpaste, toothbrushes, and small laundry detergent. Items may be dropped off at the church and placed in the basket at the top of the stairs. Thank you to all who are able to help with these needy donations.
- **Rev. Stickley has been chosen** for the Len Cane Heart of Ulster County Award in appreciation of his many years of service. He will be honored on October 26th at Diamond Mills Hotel in Saugerties. Tickets are available at the Chamber Office--845-338-5100.

Save the Date! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



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Walk for Water Millions of women and children walk more than three miles to collect water each day for their families. Often, the water collected is unsafe to drink. But there is hope. Join us September 30th at 9am for our Walk for Water-Hudson Valley. Together, we will walk to bring clean, safe water to people in need around the world. We walk, so others don't have to. Donation can be made online at

https://walkforwater.rallybound.org/hudson-valley-walk-for-water

Today during coffee hour the Consistory will be having an ice cream social to welcome back all our kids who are returning to school and Sunday school.

Church Clean Up Day will be October 14th David Kent's new address:

357 West O'Reilly Apt #1203 Kingston, NY 12401

Upcoming Event:

The Friends of the Hurley Library present





An Afternoon with Edgar Allan Poe and Mary Shelley 🎯

Witness an epic showdown as two literary giants, Edgar Allan Poe and Mary Shelley, clash over who reigns supreme as the creator of science fiction! Poe is the father of the modern detective story and the Gothic horror story, while Shelley's Frankenstein is a pioneering work of science fiction. Join us as these two legends take center stage, sharing their stories and insights in their own words. This is a rare opportunity to experience a thrilling encounter between two of the most influential writers in history. Don't miss out on this educational and entertaining event!

Sunday, October 1st at 2 pm Hurley Reformed Church, Hurley, NY \$15 per person Buy tickets online (QR), at library & at the door Purchase snacks at intermission (cash only) Raffle tickets for presale and day of event



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