

Hurley Reformed Church

Christmas Day

December 25, 2022, 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: All God's people-boys and girls, women, men:

All: Come and Worship!

Leader: Shepherds, Magi, saints and angels:

All: Come and Worship! Come and Worship!

Leader: All who need the Savior, all who long for comfort:

All: Come and worship, come and worship Christ, the newborn King!

*HYMN OF APPROACH: #173 "Joy to the World"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Mighty God we come to you on the Christmas Day. In a matter of days we will celebrate the coming of a new year and the new beginnings and opportunities that it brings. On this Holy day we celebrate the gift of your son, and asking that you will give us the perseverance and ability to transform ourselves in the year to come. Help us to seek after the path you have set and to walk as you desire us to tread. In your Holy name, Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

The four Advent candles are lit before the service begins.

Speaker 1: The season for watching and waiting is over. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. This is the light of the world, and the darkness cannot extinguish it.

The Christ candle is lit.

Speaker 2: "O sing to the Lord a new song;
Sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Tell of his salvation from day to day.

"Declare his glory among the nations,
His marvelous works among all the peoples" (Psalm 96:1-3).

Speaker 3: "Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples,
Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;

Bring an offering, and come into his courts.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor;

Tremble before him, all the earth" (Psalm 96:7-9).

Speaker 4: "Say among the nations, 'The Lord is King!'

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice.

He will judge the world with righteousness,

And the peoples with his truth" (Psalm 96:10a, 11a, 13b).

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

THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION Hymn Sing (As a joyful part of Christmas, let's sing our favorite hymns, Rev. Bill will call on you and you shout out the hymn and hymn number and we all sing the first verse)

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Psalm 148 (pg.508)

New Testament: Luke 2:1-14 (pg. 828)

SERMON:

"Of All the Places in the World"

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: #191 "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

*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 Lisa Longto and Dino Sumerano.

Flowers on the Alter are provided our Poinsettias

Mission of the month- Kingston High School Lending Closet (hats, gloves, scarves, socks and leggings)

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; David Giles, Barbara Sartorius in New Hampshire, Terry Conlin, Jim Gregory

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

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Consistory 2022

Elders

Dennis Croswell, *Property & Maintenance*
Christopher Decker, *Finance*
Glenn Decker, *Senior Elder*
Lisa Longto, *Clerk*
Linda Moon, *Missions*
Bill Baldinger

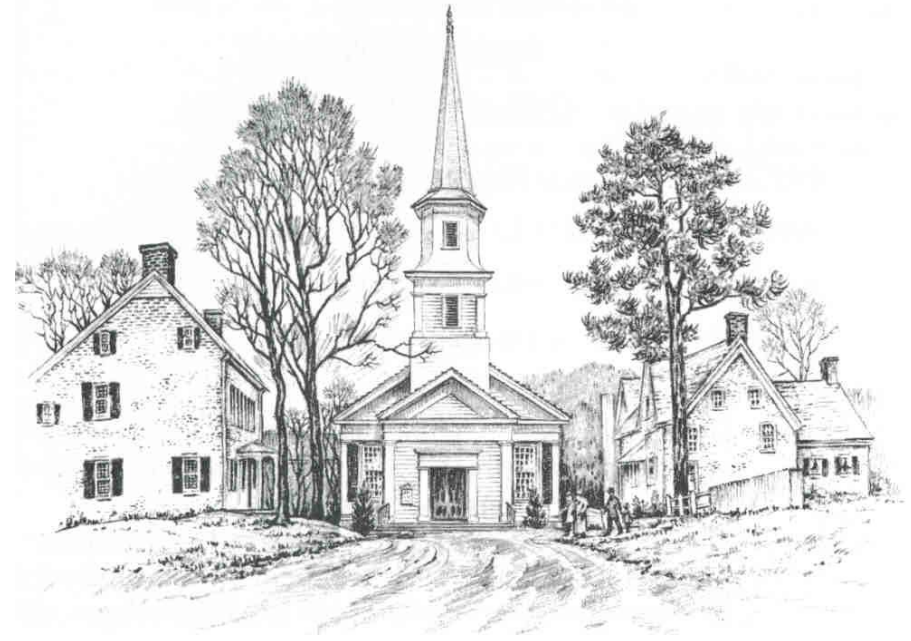
Deacons

Allan Dumas
Lee Gable
Jeanne Quenzer
David Kent, *Youth Ministry*
Dino Sumerano, *Worship*
Robert Kindt, *IT*

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

#173 Joy to the World

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come;
Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n, and nature sing.
2. Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.
3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground.
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found,
Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as, the curse is found.
4. He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

#191 Hark! The Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!
Peace on earth, and mercy mild --
God and sinners reconciled!"
Joyful, all ye nations rise;
Join the triumph of the skies.
With th'angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
 - *Refrain:*
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"
2. Christ, by highest heav'n adored!
Christ the everlasting Lord!
Long desired, behold Him come-
Off-spring of a Virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the God-head see;
Hail th'incarnate Deity,
Pleased as man with men to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel!
 - *Refrain:*
3. Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
 - *Refrain*

Announcements- December 25, 2022

Bible Study-We would love to have you join us every Tuesday at 9am for Bible Study in the Dutch Room.

Prayer Squares-Prayer squares are available in a basket in the Narthex. Please take one if you know of someone in need of prayer. You may also carry one in your pocket as a reminder to pray for someone, you think needs prayer. The knitter has pray fully knitted it for you.

Flower and Refreshments sign-up sheets for 2023 are on the wall in Shadewald Hall for anyone that would like to sign up for a date!

Tools Needed-The tool box in the church janitor's closet is bear, never really complete. If you have any duplicate hand tools that you no longer need and would consider donating, it would be appreciated. Such as: assorted screwdrivers, wrench's, including adjustable wrench, pliers and socket set. Thank you in advance!

Nominations and Votes for Consistory are:

Elder: Marilyn More

Deacon: Aileen Helsley

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Rev. Bill.

Spire Time! If you haven't done so already please submit all January Spire information. Thank you!