

Hurley Reformed Church  
Second Sunday of Advent  
December 5, 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

#### **Lighting of the Advent Wreath**

**Speaker 1:** Fire burns. It hurts. It can destroy. Fire also gives warmth and light. The coming of Christ is both a day of judgment and a day of promise. Two candles, flickering brightly, help us remember that the coming of Christ has many meanings.

**Speaker 2:** "Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other. Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky" (Psalm 85:10-11).

*The first two candles are lit.*

**Speaker 3:** Light two candles; see them glow  
Brightly, so that all may know  
How two candles show the way  
Making our darkness bright as God's day.

**Speaker 4:** Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

**All pray:** **Dear God, we have much to do and we are not sure we will be ready for the day of your coming. In Advent's light, help us to see what is important: to be who you want us to be, and to do what you would have us do. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

\*HYMN OF APPROACH: **#167, "The First Noel"**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Convenener of all life, you bring us under your wings and comfort us. You tell us of the day the wolf and lamb will lie together; the leopard and the kid; the calf and the lion. This seems like such a dream, for we act as ferociously as a lion and we hunt like a wolf with our sharp**

**words and negligent actions. Forgive us, we pray, and help us to act in a way that cherishes the diversity of all of your creatures. Amen.**

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

\*RESPONSIVE READING:

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: **#176, "Away in a Manger"**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Malachi 3:1-4 (pg.1490)

New Testament: Luke 3:1-6 (pg. 1593)

SERMON:

"A Time To Love"

### **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)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

\*HYMN OF CONSECRATION: **#175, "O Come, All Ye Faithful"**

\*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!

**Doug and Frida Constant** will be leading us in lighting the advent wreath!

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

**Flower on the Alter** are provided by Christa Conlin

**Mission of the month-** Samaritan's Purse

**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; Fred Horvers is at TenBroeck; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Anthony DiPietro (son of MaryAnn DiPietro); Marie Dressel; Muriel Ferraro is rehabbing at Thompson House.

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



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### Hurley Reformed Church

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### Staff

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Organist/Choir Director -  
Jane Barsumian, M.Ed.

Treasurer - Arlene Cotich

### Consistory 2021

#### Elders

Douglas Constant, *Senior Elder, Classis Delegate*  
Dennis Croswell, *Youth Ministry*  
Glenn Decker, *Finance*  
Sandra Emrich, *Program & Activities*  
Thomas Harkin  
James Pirro, *Property & Maintenance*

#### Deacons

Allan Dumas  
Christopher Decker, *Information Technology*  
David Kent, *Worship*  
Robert Kindt  
Lisa Longto, *Clerk*  
Linda Moon, *Missions*

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*

**#167 The First Noel**

1 The first Noel the angel did say  
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

Refrain:

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel,  
born is the King of Israel.

2 They looked up and saw a star  
bright in the east, beyond them far;  
and to the earth it gave great light,  
and so it continued both day and night.

[Refrain]

3 And by the light of that same star  
three Wise Men came from country far;  
to seek for a king was their intent,  
and to follow the star wherever it went.

[Refrain]

4 This star drew nigh to the northwest,  
o'er Bethlehem it took its rest;  
and there it did both stop and stay,  
right over the place where Jesus lay.

[Refrain]

5 Then entered in those Wise Men three,  
full reverently upon the knee,  
and offered there, in his presence,  
their gold and myrrh and frankincense.

[Refrain]

**#176 Away in a Manger**

Away in a manger  
No crib for a bed  
The little Lord Jesus  
Lay down his sweet head  
The stars in the sky  
Look down where he lay  
The little Lord Jesus  
Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing  
The baby wakes  
But little Lord Jesus  
No crying he makes  
I love thee Lord Jesus  
Look down from the sky  
And stay by my cradle  
'Til morning is nigh

Be near me, Lord Jesus;  
I ask Thee to stay close  
By me forever, and love me,  
I pray. Bless all the dear  
Children in Thy tender care,  
And fit us for heaven,  
To live with Thee there.

## #175 O Come, All Ye Faithful

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant  
O come ye, o come ye to Bethlehem  
O come and behold Him, born the King of Angels

O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation  
O sing, all ye bright hosts of heaven above  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest!

O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
O come, let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,  
Born this happy morning.  
O Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n:  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing!

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ALDI	Walmart	\$20.00
Target	Stewarts	\$25.00

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♥ We thank you for caring and helping others.....the true meaning of Christmas ♥

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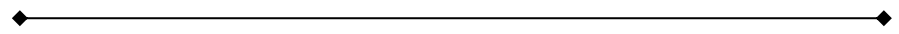
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