

Hurley Reformed Church
Easter Sunday
April 20, 2025; 10:00am
Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

MORNING WORSHIP
OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER
CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader: Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Leader: God has claimed us as his own.

All: He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*HYMN OF APPROACH: #258 “Christ Arose”

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Gracious God, on Christmas we celebrate the birth of your Son. Today we come singing praises for his resurrection. For this gift of new life we thank you. But we ask your forgiveness for those sins which we have committed by our thoughts, words and deeds. Help us Lord to serve you and your kingdom in the days ahead. 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: Eternal God, your Word declares that the love which is laid down in faith will be raised and produce a great harvest. This we celebrate as we proclaim:

All: Christ has Died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: We remember and praise you for those who have gone before us in this age and every age. Their lives, like seeds, dropped to the ground; yet their witness has borne fruit and enables us to say:

All: Christ has Died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: We pray for your Church throughout the world and for that part to which we belong, and it may be ready to spend and to be spent in your service, that the love of self-preservation may be set aside, that the sacrifice you ask may be embraced joyfully, and that through all it may proclaim:

All: Christ has Died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: In silence we surrender ourselves and all that we count important to your will and purpose. For we cannot know the glory of Christ’s resurrection if we do not have the fellowship of his sufferings. And we cannot expect to gather the kingdom’s harvest if we do not sow the seeds of the Kingdom. In us and through us, may your Spirit proclaim:

All: Christ has Died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #260 “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Isaiah 65:17-25 (pg.601)

New Testament: John 20:1-18 (pg.878)

SERMON: “Staying and Seeing

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: “Lord of the Dance” (insert)

*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 Dennis Croswell and Dino Sumerano

Please join us in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments!

Flowers on the altar are Our Easter Plants

Leading us in song is Joy Pollard

Mission of the month will be Hudson Valley National Center for Veteran Reintegration

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

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Bev Roosa is at the Terraces at Brookmeade; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Terry Conlin; 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

#258 Christ Arose

Low in the grave He lay
Jesus my Savior!
Waiting the coming day
Jesus my Lord!

Up from the grave He arose
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes.
He arose a Victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever with His saints to reign.
He arose! (He arose)
He arose! (He arose)
Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch His bed
Jesus, my Savior!
Vainly they seal the dead
Jesus my Lord!

Up from the grave He arose,
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes.
He arose a Victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever with His saints to reign.
He arose! (He arose)
He arose! (He arose)
Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Death cannot keep his prey
Jesus, my Savior!
He tore the bars away
Jesus my Lord!

Up from the grave He arose,
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes.
He arose a Victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever with His saints to reign.
He arose! (He arose)
He arose! (He arose)
Hallelujah! Christ arose!

#260 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high. Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply: Alleluia!
2. Lives again our glorious King. Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, He all doth save. Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!
3. Love's redeeming work is done. Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led. Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head. Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise. Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

Lord of the Dance

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.
At Bethlehem I had My birth.

Refrain:

*Dance, then wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,
but they would not dance and they would not follow me;
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;
they came to me and the dance went on.

Refrain

I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,
the holy people said it was a shame;
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me high;
and left me there on a cross to die.

Refrain

I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back;
they buried my body and they thought I'd gone,
but I am the dance and I still go on.

Refrain

They cut me down and I leapt up high,
I am the life that'll never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.

Refrain

Announcements-April 20, 2025

Activities this week:

Monday: 1:00pm Tai Chi in Schadewald Hall
6:30pm Al-Anon in Schadewald Hall
Tuesday: 9:00am Bible Study in the Dutch Room
4:15pm Karate in Schadewald Hall
Thursday: 4:15pm Karate in Schadewald Hall
Friday: 1:00pm Knitters in the Dutch Room
Saturday: 9:00am Karate in Schadewald Hall

The mission for April will be Hudson Valley National Center for Veteran Reintegration Their mission is to provide support for both our current military personnel while they are back home and our veterans by assisting them with their transition back into civilian life. HVNCVR offers programs that serve every aspect of the facilitation back into civilian life for a Veteran – such as our career/employment transition programs, financial literacy strategies, classes in social reintegration, and substance abuse assistance.

In the basket we will collect flour and sugar for Bread of Life.

Thank you for helping to support this worthy program in our community.

Our 2025 Flower and Refreshments signup sheets are posted in the hall for anyone that would like to sign up for a date!

Piano-If anyone would like a free piano or knows someone that would please contact the church office or Rev. Bill

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Sanctuary beautiful with our Easter Plants. Please remember to take your plants home with you as we are running out of spot to plant them here. There is a check list in the narthex so you can see what you ordered and mark off you picked them up.

