

Hurley Reformed Church  
Easter Sunday  
April 20, 2025; 7:00am  
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: #250 "Were You There?"

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.]

**THE WORD OF GOD**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (pg.494)  
New Testament: Luke 24:1-12 (pg.855)

SERMON: "How Do We Receive This News?"

**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: #264 "Thine is The Glory"

\*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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### Consistory 2025

#### Elders

Dennis Croswell, *Senior Elder*  
Marilyn More  
Walter Cook  
Christopher Decker, *IT*  
Margaret Sass, *Clerk*  
Bill Baldinger

#### Deacons

Allan Dumas, *Finance*  
Russ Voigtlaender, *Property & Maintenance*  
Jeanne Quenzer, *Program & Activities*  
Aileen Helsley, *Youth Ministry*  
Dino Sumerano, *Worship*  
Terry Gaffken, *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*

## #250 Were You There?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble!  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed Him to a tree?  
Were you there when they nailed Him to a tree?  
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble!  
Were you there when they nailed Him to a tree?

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?  
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?  
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble!  
Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Were you there when He rose up from the dead?  
Were you there when He rose up from the dead?  
Oh, sometimes I feel like shouting glory, glory, glory!  
Were you there when He rose up from the dead?

## #264 Thine is The Glory

1. Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave-clothes where Thy body lay.

*Refrain:*

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

2. Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;  
Lovingly He greets us, scatters fear and gloom.  
Let His Church, with gladness, hymns of triumph sing.  
For her Lord now, liveth; death hath lost its sting.

*Refrain:*

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

3. No more we doubt Thee, glorious Prince of life!!  
Life is naught without Thee; aid us in our strife.  
Make us more than conqu'rors, thro' Thy deathless love;  
Bring us safe thro' Jordan to Thy home above.

*Refrain*

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;  
Endless is the vict'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

## 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.