

Hurley Reformed Church
Second Sunday of Lent
February 28, 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

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us worship God, for whom our souls thirst and our bodies long.

All: **Listen, listen to me, and your soul will delight in the richest fare.**

Leader: We have come to hear the Word God has sent.

All: **God's Word will not return empty but will accomplish through us his holy purpose.**

Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

All: **Then we will go out with joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills will sing; the trees of the field will clap their hands.**

HYMN OF APPROACH: # 223, "The Old Rugged Cross"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious loving God, we come before you acknowledging our sins. We acknowledge the sins which we knowingly commit and those we unwittingly commit. When temptation comes we have said yes too often. Give us strength so that we may turn away from temptation. Help us through our Lenten journey to turn towards you. Grant that we may walk the path to the cross, instead of the path of ease. Hear this our prayer O Lord, AMEN

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

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

RESPONSIVE READING:

Leader: Everything that happens on earth happens at the time God chooses.

Women: **God sets the tie for birth and the time for death,**

Men: **the time for sorrow and the time for joy,**
Women: **the time for tearing and the time for mending,**
Men: **the time for scattering and the time for gathering,**
Women: **the time for seeking and the time for losing,**
Men: **the time for keeping silence and the time for speaking.**
Leader: Everything that happens on earth
All: **Happens at the time God chooses.**

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Children leave for Sunday School

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #600, "I Need Thee Every Hour"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

New Testament: Mark 8:31-38

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: *"Funneling God's Promise"*

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERING

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MORNING PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

HYMN OF CONSECRATION: #44, "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church! We pray that you will be blessed with strength enough to see you on your way, hope enough to get you through the day and love enough to fill your heart, come what may. Say hello to Rev. Bill.

Ushers assisting in the service are Doug Constant and Allan Dumas.

Tune your car radio to 94.9 FM for the service.

Please stay in your car and wave your hellos!

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

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Rev. Bob VanderLaan is in rehab in the Baptist Home in Rhinebeck; David Giles had a bad fall and is now home; Viola Updahl is in Tenbroeck Rehab; Carla Campuzano is at home recuperating from surgery; Shirley Ruth is in Golden Hill; Gene Groelle is in Woodland Ponds; Jim and Sheila Craven are home; Alice Presti has moved to North Carolina nearer her daughter; Bev Roosa is at the Terraces at Brookmeade; Fred Horvers at TenBroeck; Lori Pinkham in Wingate at Ulster; Anthony DiPietro (son of MaryAnn DiPietro), Marie Dressel; Philip Greer.

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



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Rev. Charles E. Stickleby, *Pastor Emeritus*

Stickleby 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

#233 The Old Rugged Cross

1. On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,
The emblem of suff'ring and shame;
And I love that old cross where the Dearest and Best
For a world of lost sinners was slain.
 - *Refrain:*
So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,
Till my trophies at last I lay down.
I will cling to the old rugged cross,
And exchange it someday for a crown.
2. Oh, the old rugged cross, so despised by the world,
Has a wondrous attraction for me;
For the dear Lamb of God left His glory above
To bear it to dark Calvary.
3. In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,
A wondrous beauty I see;
For 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died
To pardon and sanctify me.
4. To the old rugged cross I will ever be true;
Its shame and reproach gladly bear.
Then He'll call me someday to my home far away,
Where His glory forever I'll share.

#600 I Need Thee Every Hour

1. I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord;
No tender voice like Thine can peace afford.
 - *Refrain:*
I need Thee; oh, I need Thee!
Every hour I need Thee!
Oh, bless me now, my Savior,
I come to Thee!
2. I need Thee every hour; stay Thou nearby.
Temptations lose their pow'r when Thou art nigh.
3. I need Thee every hour, in joy or pain;
Come quickly and abide, or life is vain.
4. I need Thee every hour, most Holy One.
Oh, make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed Son!

#44 Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.
 - *Refrain:*
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see:
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!
2. Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow—
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR February 28, 2021

In Person Worship happens today at 11:30 am. If you wish to worship in person next week, please call the office for reservations by the Wednesday.

Reopening Committee: If you want to be part of the planning for reopening, please contact Rev. Bill. Everyone and everyone's inputs are welcome.

Do you have happy news you want to share? Coffee hour isn't available to us so we are all missing out on opportunities to catch up with each other -- good news or bad. If you have a happening that you want to share with your church family, let the office know. We can/will publish it in the Spire and/or in the bulletin. This can be a vital way to connect with each other.

Condolences to Cindy Sumerano and family upon the passing of Cindy's father, Eugene Groelle. Eugene went to glory on February 21, 2021 after a life well lived.

The mission of the month for February is the People's Place.

Deacon of the month is Bob Kindt. Contact him at 845-331-8533 if you need a deacon's assistance.

By order of the Consistory, Hurley Reformed Church's building is closed for the duration of the Coronavirus State of Emergency. Only essential workers (as defined by the state of emergency) are allowed in the building. Apologies for the inconvenience. Your safety and health are the greatest priority. Be safe.

The **bathroom** is available during services for urgent situations only. If you use the bathroom, please sanitize with the Clorox wipes found in the unisex rest room.

Bulletin: If you need a bulletin mailed to you, please let Dorothy know by Tuesday. Include your address and other pertinent information.