

## Hurley Reformed Church

Third Sunday after Epiphany

January 21, 2024; 10:00am

Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

### **MORNING WORSHIP** **OUR APPROACH TO GOD**

#### PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things  
God has done:

**All: The Magi who study the heavens follow a guiding star!**

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things  
God has done:

**All: The peoples who live in the shadows see a glorious light!**

Leader: O come, let us worship the Lord and consider what wondrous things  
God has done:

**All: The Christ who embodies the Word unveils the hidden plan,**

Leader: making us joint heirs of the promise of salvation through the gospel!

**All: O come, let us worship the Lord, for God has done wondrous  
things!**

\*HYMN OF APPROACH: #205 “Tell Me the Story of Jesus”

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Holy Lord, we come to you confessing that we have sinned against you  
by our thoughts our words and our deeds. But we also must confess that  
we have been content with the way things are and the way we have  
been. We have not been focused on the way you command us to be. For-  
give us, but also help us, and motivate us to do what needs to be done,  
and to be who you have called us to be. 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: I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry.

**All: He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set**

**my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.**

Leader: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

**All: Happy are those who make the Lord their trust, who do not turn  
to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods.**

Leader: Then I said, “Here I am; in the scroll of the book it is written of me.

**All: I delight to do your will, O my God; your law is within my heart.”**

Leader: But may all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; may those who  
love your salvation say continually, “Great is the Lord!”

**All: You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God.**

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

#### CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #563 “There is a Balm”

#### SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Jonah 3:1-5,10 (pg.745)

New Testament: Mark 1:14-20 (pg.807)

SERMON: “Beginning the Impossible Task”

### **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: “Here I am Lord” (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 Glenn Decker and Bob Kindt.

**Please join us** in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments!

**Leading us in song** is Joy Pollard

**Mission of the month-** donations to Josh Bode and Bread of Life (see insert)

**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; Terry Conlin; Shirley Burns; Debbie Tucker

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

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### Hurley Reformed Church

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### Consistory 2024

#### Elders

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Lisa Longto, *Clerk*

Linda Moon, *Missions*

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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*

## #205 Tell Me the Story of Jesus

Tell me the story of Jesus; Write on my heart every word.  
Tell me the story most precious, Sweetest that ever was heard.  
Tell how the angels, in chorus, Sang as they welcomed His birth:  
"Glory to God in the highest! Peace and good tidings to earth."

*Refrain:*

*Tell me the story of Jesus;  
Write on my heart every word.  
Tell me the story most precious, Sweetest that ever was heard.*

Fasting alone in the desert, Tell of the days that are past-  
How for our sins He was tempted, Yet was triumphant at last.  
Tell of the years of His labor; Tell of the sorrow He bore.  
He was despised and afflicted, Homeless, rejected, and poor.

*Refrain:*

Tell of the cross where they nailed Him, Writhing in anguish and pain.  
Tell of the grave where they laid Him; Tell how He liveth again.  
Love in that story so tender Clearer than ever I see.  
Stay, let me weep while you whisper: Love paid the ransom for me.

*Refrain:*

## #563 There is a Balm

*Refrain*

*There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole:  
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.*

1-Sometimes I feel discouraged, And think my work's in vain,  
But then the Holy Spirit Revives my soul again.

2-If you cannot preach like Peter, If you cannot pray like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all."

## Announcements- January 21, 2024

**The mission for January** will be donating to Josh Bode. Josh Bode was originally from Woodstock Reformed church, and now he and his family are missionaries in Oman.

We also will collect peanut butter and jelly (regular size please, not extra large) for the Bread of Life food pantry.

Thank you for remembering those in need of our help and support

### Upcoming Events



**2024 signup sheets** for flowers and refreshments are posted in the hall.

**All of our church committees** are searching for new members! Contact Rev. Bill if you would like to join one this year!

**New windows** have been installed in the parsonage and the old sashes are available. If you know someone who crafts with older window sashes or uses them for projects these are available, have them contact the church.

## Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in deepest and sin, My hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

*Chorus*

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

*Chorus*

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

*Chorus*