

Hurley Reformed Church
Third Sunday after Epiphany
January 22, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

MORNING WORSHIP
OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER
CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

All: Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

All: They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

Leader: For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light.

All: O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart!

*HYMN OF APPROACH: #85 "Amazing Grace"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, we come to you with heavy hearts. We profess that we are in need of your grace. Your grace comforts us, strengthens us, and frees us, without it we are lost. Forgive us Lord for those ways we have transgressed, help us to embrace your grace and let it transform us. As your grace abounded at the wedding in Cana, we pray that it may abound in and throughout our lives. In your holy name, 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: God, you have made yourself known, but in a most amazing way, coming in weakness, in a tiny baby; you covered your glory and hid your greatness.

All: God of mystery and surprise, we praise you.

Leader: God, you have made yourself known, but in a most amazing way, in a dirty poor stable no one else wanted; you hid your wealth and infinite riches.

All: God of mystery and surprise, we praise you.

Leader: God, you have made yourself known, but in a most amazing way, born to humble working people, hidden in a simple life, and yet announced in the stars of heaven and visited by kings.

All: God of mystery and surprise, we praise you. Amen.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHILDREN DISMISS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

WELCOMING OF NEW MEMBERS

THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #436 "The Solid Rock"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Isaiah 9:1-4 (pg.553)

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 (pg. 923)

SERMON:

"The Principal's Letter"

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: #30 "A Mighty Fortress is our God"

*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 Dino Sumerano and Lisa Longto.

Please join us in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments! Thank you to the Ron Chrisey for providing them.

Flowers on the Alter are provided by.

Mission of the month- Joshua Bode Missionary in Oman and Bread of Life Pantry.

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; David Giles, Barbara Sartorius in New Hampshire, Terry Conlin

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

#85 Amazing Grace

Amazing grace!

how sweet the sound

that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now I'm found;

Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,

And grace my fears relieved.

How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me;

His Word my hope secures.

He will my shield and portion be

As long as life endures.

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares

I have already come.

'Tis grace hath bro't me safe thus far,

And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years,

Bright, shining as the sun,

We've no less days to sing God's praise

Than when we'd first begun.

#436 The Solid Rock

1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;

All other ground is sinking sand.

All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

Refrain:

3. His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my Hope and Stay.

Refrain:

4. When He shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in Him be found!
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne!

Refrain:

#30 A Mighty Fortress is our God

A mighty Fortress is our God,
A Bulwark never failing;
Our Helper He, amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work his woe;
His craft and pow'r are great,
And armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
Our striving would be losing;
Were not the right Man on our side,
The Man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth, His name;
From age to age the same;
And He must win the battle.

And tho' this world, with devils filled,
Should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim—
We tremble not for him.
His rage we can endure,
For, lo, His doom is sure;
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly pow'rs,
No thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Thro' him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go—
This mortal life also.
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still.
His kingdom is forever.

Announcements- January 15, 2023

Bible Study-We would love to have you join us every Tuesday at 9am for Bible Study in the Dutch Room.

Prayer Squares-Prayer squares are available in a basket in the Narthex. Please take one if you know of someone in need of prayer. You may also carry one in your pocket as a reminder to pray for someone, you think needs prayer. The knitter has pray fully knitted it for you.

Flower and Refreshments sign-up sheets for 2023 are on the wall in Shadewald Hall for anyone that would like to sign up for a date!

January missions will go to Joshua Bode Missionary in Oman. He was the minister at Woodstock Reformed, he and his family are missionaries in Oman. We will also do a soup drive collecting for the Bread of Life pantry. Please bring your cans of soup to the church any Sunday in January, Thank you!

Update on our envelopes: We have heard from the company that makes our offering envelopes and they are still working on processing them. Due to factory complications and staffing they are very off schedule. We hope to get them some time in the month of January or beginning of February. For now we have set out envelopes and pens for you, please write your name and/or envelope number on the front. Thank you!

With winter upon us, just a quick reminder that worship will not be cancelled for any reason. If incimate weather occurs, storms or rumors of storms, please exercise caution and good judgment coming to worship. Worship will be on zoom even in bad weather.

Church Committees-As we begin a new year please consider serving on one of the committees in our church. If you are interested please contact the committee chair about joining.

