

Hurley Reformed Church  
Second Sunday after Christmas  
January 3, 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: Long ago, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets

All: **now God has spoken to us by a Son.**

Leader: God made the world through the Son, who has been appointed heir of all things and the perfect reflection of God's glory.

All: **The Son is the exact representation of God's being, sustaining all things by his powerful Word.**

Leader: Praise God for the gift of the Son.

All: **We welcome the light of the World.**

HYMN OF APPROACH: #173, "Joy to the World"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord our God who has stood beside your people throughout the ages that have past, and will stand with us in the ages to come. As the new year begins, we understand that in the past we have not followed where you have shown. We also confess that in the year to come we may fall short of what you have asked. Help us Lord in the year to come to listen when you call, to follow where you lead. Give us hearts to serve you. Hear 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

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

UNISON READING: **"The Apostle's Creed"**

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

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #2, "Holy, Holy, Holy"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

New Testament: Jeremiah 31:7-14

New Testament: John 1:10-18

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: "A New Year and a New Beginning"

### **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)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN OF CONSECRATION: #181, "Go Tell It on the Mountain"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Happy New Year!**

**Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church!** Ages ago, three pilgrims set out on a long and uncertain journey in search of the promised Messiah. Their quest was gloriously rewarded, thanks to the guiding star. We believe that God rejoices in having you here today and pray that your search for God will be rewarded beyond your expectations. Say hello to Rev. Bill.

**Ushers assisting in the service are** Sandy Emrich and Lisa Longto.

**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:**

Carla Campuzano is at home recuperating from surgery; Bill Baldinger at home recuperating; June Van der Laan is home; Rev. Stickleby is at home recuperating; 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; Shirley Ruth is in Mountain Valley Manor; 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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**Consistory 2021**

***Elders***

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Glenn Decker, *Finance*  
Sandra Emrich, *Program & Activities*  
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Christopher Decker, *Information Technology*  
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Robert Kindt  
Lisa Longto, *Clerk*  
Linda Moon, *Missions*

Rev. Charles E. Stickleby, *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*

## The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Leader: Brothers and sisters,  
since the Lord has now fed us at his Table,  
let us praise God's holy name with heartfelt thanksgiving!  
Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**People: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.**

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**People: and do not forget all his benefits—**

Leader: who forgives all your iniquity,

**People: who heals all your diseases,**

Leader: who redeems your life from the Pit,

**People: who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

**People: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

Leader: He does not deal with us according to our sins,

**People: nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

Leader: For as the heavens are high above the earth,

**People: so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;**

Leader: as far as the east is from the west,

**People: so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**

Leader: As a father has compassion for his children,

**People: so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him,**

Leader: who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all, and  
will also give us all things with him.

**People: Therefore shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of  
the Lord, from this time forth forevermore. Amen.**

*From Psalm 103, with additions*

## # 173 Joy to the World

1. Joy to the world! the Lord is come;  
Let earth receive her King.  
Let every heart prepare Him room,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n and nature sing,  
And heav'n, and heav'n, and nature sing.
2. Joy to the world! the Savior reigns;  
Let men their songs employ,  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy.
3. No more let sins and sorrows grow,  
Nor thorns infest the ground.  
He comes to make His blessings flow  
Far as the curse is found,  
Far as the curse is found,  
Far as, far as, the curse is found.
4. He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

## #2 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shall be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;  
Only Thou art holy-- there is none beside Thee  
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

## #181 Go Tell It on the Mountain

- *Refrain:*  
Go, tell it on the mountain,  
Over the hills and everywhere;  
Go, tell it on the mountain,  
That Jesus Christ is born!

1. While shepherds kept their watching  
O'er silent flocks by night,  
Behold, throughout the heavens  
There shone a holy light.
2. The shepherds feared and trembled  
When lo! above the earth  
Rang out the angel chorus  
That hailed the Savior's birth.
3. Down in a lowly manger  
The humble Christ was born,  
And God sent us salvation  
That blessed Christmas morn.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR January 3, 2021

**Women's Bible Study.** Women's Bible Study will meet via Zoom on January 6 and January 20, 2021 at 10 a.m. *Studying The Twelve Extraordinary Women.* The author: John MacArthur. We will be studying the Third Chapter: RAHAB. All are welcomed to join us! Let me know so that Rev. Bill can add you to his list. Will of course need your email address! Blessings, Rev. Deb Zuill

**In Person Worship** has been postponed for two weeks.

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

**Rev Bill will be** available for visits (with social distancing protocols). Contact the church to request a visit.

**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.

**The mission of the month** for January is the Reservoir Pantry.

**Deacon of the month** is David Kent. Contact him at 703-203-9583 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.