

Hurley Reformed Church  
Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Father's Day  
June 20, 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: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;

All: **With my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.**

Leader: I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;

All: **your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**

Leader: You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, I have sworn to my servant David: 'I will establish your descendants forever, and build your throne for all generations.'"

All: **Praise the Lord!**

HYMN OF APPROACH: #17, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, we thank you for the gift of fatherhood. We thank you for the many examples of faithful fathers in scripture, like Noah, Abraham, Isaac, and Joseph. We are mindful this day of all these men, and especially you our heavenly Father, the father of our Lord Jesus Christ. May these men gathered here today emulate these examples of faith and fatherhood. And may they model for all the rest of us what it means to be your disciple. Bless them on this special day; in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

RESPONSIVE READING: **See Insert**

GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S SERMON/SUNDAY SCHOOL AWARDS

#### **THE WORD OF GOD**

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #51, "Come Thou Font"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Ezekiel 17:22-24

New Testament: Mark 4:26-34

SERMON: "When the Seed meets the Ground"

#### **OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

HYMN OF CONSECRATION: #75, "This is my Father's World"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

**Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church!** Good morning! We are thrilled that you have chosen to worship with us. We count it a privilege to gather together as the body of Christ to worship him in unity and purpose. Say hello to Rev. Bill. **Ushers assisting in the service** are David Kent and Linda Moon.

**In Person Worship** happens at 10:00 am. We will continue to worship in the parking lot and by Zoom.

**Tune your car radio to 94.9 FM for the service.**

**A Big Thank You** to everyone who helped with the Brook's BBQ on Tuesday. We sold 600 meals!

**LAST CALL: Graduation:** Something to celebrate? A graduation to announce? Please let the office know so that we can all celebrate with you. A list will be published on June 27.

**The mission of the month of June** is Rural and Migrant Ministries. Thank you for your generous donations.

**Deacon of the month is David Kent.** Contact him at 845-750-9383 if you need a deacon's assistance.

**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 recuperating at home; Viola Opdahl is home; Shirley Ruth is in Golden Hill; 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](http://HurleyReformedChurch.org).

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Dennis Croswell, *Youth Ministry*  
Glenn Decker, *Finance*  
Sandra Emrich, *Program & Activities*  
Thomas Harkin  
James Pirro, *Property & Maintenance*

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Linda Moon, *Missions*

Rev. Charles E. Stickle, *Pastor Emeritus*

**Stickle 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*

## Litany for Father's Day

Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember fathers, we give you thanks for our fathers. We are grateful that you chose to give us life through them, and that they received the gift of life from your hands, and gave it to us. Thank you for the sacrifices they made while we were children and adults.

We thank you for the men who raised us, who were our fathers in childhood. Whether birth dad, adopted dad, older brother, uncle, grandfather, stepfather or someone else, we thank you for those men who held us and fed us, who cared for us and kissed away our pain. We pray that our lives may reflect the love they showed us, and that they would be pleased to be called our dads.

We pray for older dads whose children are grown.

**Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.**

We pray for new dads experiencing changes they could not predict.

**Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for the future.**

We pray for men who will soon be dads.

**Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months.**

We pray for dads who face the demands of single parenthood.

**Grant them strength and wisdom.**

We pray for dads who enjoy financial abundance.

**Grant them time to share with their families.**

We pray for dads who are raising their children in poverty.

**Grant them relief and justice.**

We pray for step-dads.

**Grant them patience and understanding and love.**

We pray for dads who are separated from their children.

**Grant them faith and hope.**

We pray for fathers in marriages that are in crisis.

**Grant them support and insight.**

We pray for dads who have lost children.

**Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

We pray for dads who gave up their children.

**Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.**

We pray for adoptive fathers.

**Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided.**

We pray for boys and men who think about being dads.

**Grant them wisdom and discernment.**

We pray for men who desperately want, or wanted, to be dads.

**Grant them grace to accept your timing and will.**

We pray for all men who have assumed the father's role in a child's life.

**Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.**

We pray for those people present who are grieving the loss of their fathers.

**Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.**

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## #75 This is my Father's World

1. This is my Father's world.  
And to my list'ning ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings  
The music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world.  
I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas—  
His hand the wonders wrought.
2. This is my Father's world.  
The birds their carols raise.  
The morning light, the lily white  
Declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world.  
He shines in all that's fair.  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,  
He speaks to me everywhere.
3. This is my Father's world.  
Oh, let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,  
God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world.  
The battle is not done;  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,  
And earth and Heav'n be one.

## Congratulations to our Sunday School students.

The following students received pins:

Hannah Shambo	year 12
Teagan Helsley	year 9
Molly Shambo	year 8
Johnathan Helsley	year 5
Liam Appleyard-Pekich	year 4

## Receiving Bibles

Lily Dockery  
Liam Appleyard-Pekich  
Gianna Provenzano

## #17 Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee,  
Opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;  
Drive the dark of doubt away.  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
Fill us with the light of day!
2. All Thy works with joy surround Thee;  
Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays.  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee!
3. Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Wellspring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother--  
All who live in love are Thine.  
Teach us how to love each other;  
Lift us to the joy divine!
4. Mortals, join the happy chorus  
Which the morning stars began.  
Father love is reigning o'er us;  
Brother love binds man to man.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife.  
Joyful music leads us Sunward  
In the triumph song of life.

## #51 Come Thou Font

1. Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace.  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of Thy redeeming love.
2. Here I raise my Ebenezer;  
Here by Thy great help I've come.  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,  
Safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
Wand'ring from the fold of God.  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
Interposed His precious blood.
3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let that grace now, like a fetter,  
Bind my yielded heart to Thee.  
Let me know Thee in Thy fullness;  
Guide me by Thy mighty hand,  
Till, transformed, in Thine own image,  
In Thy presence I shall stand.