

Hurley Reformed Church  
Fourth Sunday in Lent  
March 15, 2026; 10:00am  
Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The cross,

**All: We will take it.**

Leader: The bread,

**All: We will break it.**

Leader: The pain,

**All: We will bear it.**

Leader: The joy,

**All: We will share it.**

Leader: The Gospel,

**All: We will live it.**

Leader: The love,

**All: We will give it.**

Leader: The light,

**All: We will cherish it.**

Leader: The darkness,

**All: God shall perish it.**

\*HYMN OF APPROACH: **“Here I am Lord”**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Great Lord, with song of praise on our lips, and joy in our hearts we come to worship you. But we must admit the reality of our humanity. We are sinners. We have sinned against you by our thoughts, words and deeds. Forgive us, restore us, and strengthen us so that we might faithfully follow your lead, and serve you in the days to come. 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 was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the Lord.”

**All: And look, now we stand in that place, in the city beloved of God.**

Leader: Jerusalem proudly is built, to gather people together.

**All: She welcomes the children of God who worship their maker in unity.**

Leader: Here they give deep thanks to the Lord according to God’s deep desire;

**All: Here is our monarch’s own court and the thrones of the household of faith.**

Leader: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: may they prosper whose love is for you.

**All: Peace be within your walls and prosperity in your palaces.**

Leader: For the sake of my family and friends, I will say, “May God’s peace be in you.”

**All: Out of love for the house of the Lord, I will pray for its well-being forever.**

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

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

**THE WORD OF GOD**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: **#33 “How Great Thou Art”**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Psalm 23 (pg.443)

New Testament: John 9:1-41 (pg. 867)

SERMON: “Asking the Right Questions”

**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: **#85 “Amazing Grace”**

\*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)

**Assisting with Liturgy** today is Maggie Sass

**Ushers assisting in the service** are Wally Cook and Jim Gregory

**Please join us** in Schadewald Hall after worship. Thank you to Russ Glass for providing them.

**Flowers on the altar** are provided by the

**Leading us in song** is Joy Pollard

**Mission of the month will be** Deacons Fund

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

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Terry Conlin; Marilyn and the More Family

**Audio recordings** of the weekly sermon are available on our website, [HurleyReformedChurch.org](http://HurleyReformedChurch.org).

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### Hurley Reformed Church

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Treasurer - Arlene Cotich

### Consistory 2026

#### Elders

Christopher Decker, *Senior Elder*  
Bill Baldinger  
Walter Cook, *IT*  
Kathy Jansen  
Jim Gregory, *Finance*  
Maggie Sass, *Clerk*

#### Deacons

Russ Voigtlaender, *Property & Maintenance*  
Bonnie Dumas, *Missions*  
Jeanne Quenzer, *Program & Activities*  
Aileen Helsley, *Youth Ministry*  
Terry Gaffken,  
Dino Sumerano, *Worship*

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.

## Serving God & Neighbor

Since 1801



## Hurley Reformed Church

Hurley, New York

*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 Serv*

## 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

## #33 How Great Thou Art

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed.

### Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee.

How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

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When thro' the woods and forests glades I wander  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,  
When I look down from lofty mountains grandeur  
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze,

### Refrain

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

### Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration  
And there proclaim: my God, how great Thou art!

### Refrain

## #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.

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In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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