Hurley Reformed Church Seventh Sunday of Easter May 12, 2024; 10:00am Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

## MORNING WORSHIP OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!
All: The heavens proclaim his righteousness; and all the peoples behold his glory.
Leader: The Lord loves those who hate evil
All: God guards the lives of his faithful
Leader: God rescues us from the hand of the wicked.
All: Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,

All: Give thanks to God's holy name!

\*HYMN OF APPROACH: #110 "When Morning Gilds the Sky"

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Wondrous Lord, on this day we celebrate Mothers, as well as those who have taken the role of mother in our lives, we celebrate how you have looked after us and loved us. But as we did as children with our parents, we do in our lives today. We go astray. Have grace on us Lord, forgive us for those sins which we commit knowingly and unknowingly. Lead us and guide us, strengthen and sustain us to live as you have commanded, and go where you send us. In your name we pray, Amen.

KYRIE ELEISON [Words and music found on the inside cover of hymnal.]

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

## **\*RESPONSIVE READING**

Litany for Mother's day (see insert)

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## THE WORD OF GOD

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #685 "For all the Saints"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Psalm 1 (pg.433) New Testament: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 (pg. 881)

SERMON: "Even the small stories matter"

## **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: #776 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

### 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 Quenzer and Voigtlaender Families for providing them.

Flowers on the alter are provided by Linda Moon

Leading us in song is Jeffery Seitz

Mission of the month- School Lunchbox Program at People's Place

### 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.

## Hurley Reformed Church

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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.

# #455 Take My Life and Let It Be

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord to Thee. Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise; Let them flow in cease-less praise.

Take my hands and let them move At the impulse of Thy love. Take my feet and let them be Swift and beautiful for Thee, Swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice and let me sing Always, only, for my King. Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee, Filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold- not a mite would I withhold. Take my intellect and use Ev-'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose, Ev -'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose. Take my will and make it Thine, It shall be no longer mine. Take my heart- it is Thine own; It shall be Thy royal throne; It shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love- my Lord, I pour At Thy feet its treasure store. Take myself and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee, Ever, only, all for Thee.

# **#507 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling**

- Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of Heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy humble dwelling; All Thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, Thou art all compassion; Pure, unbounded love Thou art. Visit us with Thy salvation; Enter ev'ry trembling heart.
- Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit Into ev'ry troubled breast! Let us all in Thee inherit; Let us find that second rest. Take away our bent to sinning; Alpha and Omega be. End of faith, as its Beginning, Set our hearts at liberty.
- Come, Almighty to Deliver; Let us all Thy life receive. Suddenly return, and never, Nevermore Thy temples leave. Thee we would be always blessing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts above, Pray and praise Thee without ceasing, Glory in Thy perfect love.
- Finish then Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be. Let us see Thy great salvation, Perfectly restored in Thee: Changed from glory into glory, Till in Heav'n we take our place,

# Announcements- May 12, 2024

- **The pansies** in the sanctuary are in honor of Mother's Day. Moms, aunts and grandmothers are welcome to take a plant on their way out. Thank you to Jeanne and Terry for providing them.
- Steeple set back- We have encountered a setback with the repair of the steeple. The work needed is going to be greater than originally planned so please keep those gifts coming. If you wish to make a donation envelopes can be found in the narthex.
- **Misson for May** is School Lunchbox Program at People's Place. We will be collecting food items that can easily go into a lunchbox, such as juice boxes, snack foods, fruit pouches, crackers, individual peanut butters, etc. Any non-perishable food that kids like for lunch would be greatly appreciated.
- Our flowers and refreshments sheets are available in Hall if anyone would like to sign up for a Sunday! Please email Tara if you would like to dedicate your flowers to someone.

**Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday,** feel free to wear Red in celebration as well as bring in a red geranium if you so choose

**Spire**-Have something you'd like to see in the Spire? Email Tara at <u>admin@hurleyreformedchurch.org</u> with any ideas each month!

Upcoming church events:



Litany for Mother's Day

Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember mothers, we give you thanks for our mothers. 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 in carrying us and giving us birth.

We thank you for the women who raised us, who were our mothers in childhood. Whether birth mom, adopted mom, older sister, aunt, grandmother, stepmother or someone else, we thank you for those women 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 moms. We pray for older moms whose children are grown.

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

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

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

We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months. We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

### Grant them strength and wisdom.

We pray for moms who enjoy financial abundance.

Grant them time to share with their families.

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

Grant them relief and justice.

We pray for step-moms.

Grant them patience and understanding and love.

We pray for moms who are separated from their children. **Grant them faith and hope**. We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

Grant them support and insight.

We pray for moms who have lost children.

Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We pray for moms who gave up their children for adoption.

**Grant them peace and confidence as they trust in your providence.** We pray for adoptive mothers.

Grant them joy and gratitude for the gift you have provided. We pray for girls and women who think about being moms.

Grant them wisdom and discernment. We pray for women who desperately want, or wanted, to be moms.

Grant them grace to accept your timing and will.

We pray for all women who have assumed the mother'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 mother. Grant them comfort and hope in Christ's resurrection.

Lord, we thank you for the gift of motherhood. We thank you for the many examples of faithful mothers in scripture, like Sarah, Hannah, Elizabeth, and Lois. We are mindful this day of all these women, and especially Mary the mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, who had the courage in faith to say "yes" to your calling. May these women gathered here today emulate these examples of faith. 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**.