

Hurley Reformed Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

May 9, 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

(Rev. Danyelle Ditmer www.littlepeoplebigword.com)

Leader: Come, God gathers us for worship, like a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings.

All: **Our God, loving, nurturing.**

Leader: In love, God saves and supports us, teaching us the way we should go.

All: **Trusting in God, we continually offer our praise!**

HYMN OF APPROACH: #51, "**Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing**"

PRAYER OF ADORATION

We praise you, we worship, we adore you.

You hold the heavens in your hand, all stars rejoice in your glory. You come in the sunrise and the song of morn and bless the splendor of the noonday. The stars in their courses magnify you; day and night tell of your glory. Your peace blows over the earth and the breath of your mouth fills all space. You satisfy all things living with your abundance and our hearts bow at your presence. Accept us, your children, Eternal Father, and hearken to our prayer. Bend over us, Eternal Mother, and bless us. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

UNISON READING:

**I believe in God, maker of an unfinished world,
Who calls us to participate in bringing about the fullness of Creation
God, who created abundant resources to provide for all;
God, who has not divided people into rich and poor, owners and slaves, nor pitted us against each other because of race, color, social class or sex.
I believe in Jesus Christ who was ridiculed, tortured and executed**

for the sins of humankind.

**He has overthrown the rule of evil and injustice,
And he continues to judge and redeem the hatred and arrogance of human beings.**

I believe in the Spirit of God whose flame comforts us with divine presence

And causes our hearts to burn for righteousness and justice.

I believe in the reconciling power of God in my life and in the world.

I believe that God, through people, can bring peace and hope, justice and equality,

The relief of suffering and pain, and the final triumph of love and grace. Amen.

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THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #495, "**The Gift of Love**"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: These will be embedded in the sermon.\

SERMON: "*It's Complicated*"

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MORNING PRAYER

Leader: To those who gave birth this year to their first child --

All: **we celebrate with you**

Leader: To those who lost a child this year --

All: **we mourn with you**

Leader: To those who have experienced loss through miscarriage, failed adoptions, or running away—

All: **we mourn with you**

Leader: To those who have warm and close relationships with your children --

All: **we celebrate with you**

Leader: To those who have disappointment, heart ache, and distance with your children --

All: **we sit with you**

Leader: To those who lost their mothers this year --

All: **we grieve with you**

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR May 9, 2021

Leader: To those who experienced abuse at the hands of your own mother –
All: **we weep for your experience**
Leader: To those who are step-parents and foster parents –
All: **we walk with you on these complex paths**
Leader: To those who envisioned lavishing love on grandchildren yet that dream is not to be –
All: **we grieve with you**
Leader: To those who will have emptier nests in the upcoming year –
All: **we grieve and rejoice with you**
Leader: To those who placed children up for adoption —
All: **we commend you for your selflessness and remember how you hold that child in your heart**
Leader: And to those who are pregnant with new life, both expected and surprising –
All: **we anticipate with you**
Leader: To the many who are mentor moms, spiritual moms, and other “unofficial” moms –
All: **we need you.**
Leader: To all who love, comfort, teach, challenge, nurture, heal, protect, and do the work of mothers, in whatever role –
All: **We are grateful for you.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

HYMN OF CONSECRATION: #304 , “Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

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Go now in the comfort and peace of the One who gave birth to us.

Go in the assurance that the Comforter is with us always.

Go to give comfort and peace to others.

May Divine Wisdom guide us as we go forth on Her paths of peace.

May She give us blessings more precious than silver or gold

May we find joy in sharing these blessings with others.

May Wisdom empower us to change our world! Amen.

POSTLUDE

Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church! A sincere welcome to all who have come to worship. Let us lift up our minds and hearts to our loving Creator and Sustainer. May the incomparable blessings that come from God alone touch each of us. Say hello to Rev. Bill.

Happy Mother's Day!

Thank you, Rev. Ruth Kent for leading us in worship today.

Ushers assisting in the service are David Kent and Dennis Croswell.

Tune your car radio to 94.9 FM for the service.

Please stay in your car and wave your hellos.

A Gentle Reminder: Mask need to be worn and social distancing needs to be maintained even if you are fully vaccinated. We have come so far; we can't let our guard down yet! Thanks for keeping us all safe.

Yard Sale: The church & church family yard sale on June 5, 2021 from 8 am till 3 pm. Spots available for \$15 (tables will not be available for rental). To rent a spot for the June yard sale please contact Kelly Maggiore at 845-532-2995. You can drop off donations in Rev. Bill's garage.

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.

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 in June.

Pentecost is May 23 and that means it's time for red geraniums. Geraniums can be dropped off the week before with Dorothy. Call ahead so she can let you in.

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

The mission of the month of May is Family of Woodstock. Thank you for your generous donations.

Deacon of the month is Alan Dumas. Contact him at 845-3394758 if you need a deacon's assistance.

In Person Worship happens today at 11:30 am. If you wish to worship in person next week, please call the office for reservations by the Wednesday.

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.

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 Updahl is in Tenbroeck Rehab; Carla Campuzano is at home recuperating from surgery; 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.

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Stickleby 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

#51, Come Thou Font of Every Blessing

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 God's unchanging 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.

#495 The Gift of Love

1. Though I may speak with bravest fire,
And have the gift to all inspire,
And have not love, my words are vain,
As sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
2. Though I may give all I possess,
And striving so my love profess,
But not be given by love within,
The profit soon turns strangely thin.
3. Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
Our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
By this we worship, and are freed.

#304, Sweet, Sweet Spirit

There's a sweet sweet spirit in this place
And I know that it's the spirit of the Lord.
There are sweet expressions on each face
And I know that it's the presence of the Lord.
Sweet Holy Spirit
Sweet heavenly dove
Stay right here with us
Filling us with your love.
And for all these blessings
We lift our hearts in praise
Without a doubt we'll know
That we have been revived
When we shall leave this place...

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