

Hurley Reformed Church

First Sunday of Advent
November 28, 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/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP (Based on Isaiah 9.2)

One: The people have walked in darkness...

Many: We journey through pandemics, deaths, loss of routine and security.

One: The people have seen a great light.

Many: We long for a break in the darkness. We gather around your Flame of hope – a word we long for in the days when your flicker of light pours onto the earth.

One: Let us worship God-with-us.

Prayer: (Based on Psalm 79)

Most Holy God, how long will you be filled with wrath? How long will the heat of your anger rise? In a world of chaos, in a time of upheaval, is this your anger burning, or something else? May your will for us be clear, and may the heat of your anger not burn forever.
Amen.

*HYMN OF APPROACH: #163, "O Come O Come"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We have lost our way, O God. We have looked for hope in the transient. We have sought love from the flawed. We have ached for your grace but have failed to recognize it right under our noses, and refusing to recognize your light within one another. Forgive us, we ask, and guide us. Amen.

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Speaker 1: Lighting a candle in the darkness helps us find our way. In

darkness we lose direction. We cannot see where we have been or where we are going. A single candle, flickering brightly, helps us find our way again.

Speaker 2: "Stir up your might, and come to save us. Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved" (Psalm 80:2b-3).

The first candle is lit.

Speaker 3: Light one candle; see it glow
Brightly, so that all may know
How one candle shows the way
Making our darkness bright as God's day.

Speaker 4: Restore us, O God; let your face shine, that we may be saved. All pray: Dear God, on this first Sunday in Advent, let this light shine brightly as the days grow shorter, so that we will be ready for your face to shine upon us at Christmas. In the Savior's name we pray. Amen.

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #174, "Joyful Joyful"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Jeremiah 33:14-16 (pg.1232)
New Testament: Luke 21:25-36 (pg. 1636)

SERMON: "Hope in a time of hopelessness"

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: #190, "Angels we have heard"

*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)

In Person and Zoom Worship happens at 10am!

Jim and Maggie Sass will be leading us in lighting the advent wreath!

Ushers assisting in the service are Doug Constant and Alan Dumas.

Please join us in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments! Thank you to Jane Merrill and Kathy Jansen for providing them this week!

Mission of the month- Samaritan's Purse

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; Fred Horvers is at TenBroeck; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Anthony DiPietro (son of MaryAnn DiPietro); Marie Dressel; Steve Kurtz who is back at Albany Med; Muriel Ferraro is rehabbing at Thompson House.

Audio recordings of the weekly sermon are available on our website, HurleyReformedChurch.org.



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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

#163 O Come O Come

O Come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lowly exile here until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to Thee, O Israel!

O Come, Thou Day-spring, come and cheer our spirits by Thine advent here. Disperse the gloomy clouds of night, and death's dark shadows put to flight.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to Thee, O Israel!

O come, Thou Wisdom from on high, and order all things far and night. To us the path of knowledge show, and cause us in her ways to go.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to Thee, O Israel!

O come, Desire of nations; bind All peoples in one heart and mind. Bid envy, strife, and quarrels cease; Fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to Thee, O Israel!

#174 Joyful Joyful

Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of light; Angels lifting praise before You Sing thro'-out this holy King. In a manger lies a Baby child Mary, Son of God. Voices joined in joyful chorus Praise You for Your gift of love.

All Your works declare Your glory; All creation joins to sing. Praise resounds as earth rejoices In the birth of Christ, the King. Shepherds kneel before the Infant. Trumpets sound and anthems raise As with joy our hearts are lifted, Joined in wonder, love and praise.

#190 Angels we have heard

Angels we have heard on high
Sweetly singing o'er the plains
And the mountains in reply
Echoing their joyous strains
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Shepherds, why this jubilee?
Why your joyous strains prolong?
What the gladsome tidings be?
Which inspire your heavenly songs?
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
Come, adore on bended knee,
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.
Gloria in excelsis Deo!
Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Announcements- November 28, 2021

Poinsettia Time! All payments are due by December 5th. See attached form for more information!

December Spire-Please submit any Spire information to Tara this week!

Come and Join the new Sit to Stand Class! Starts December 6th @1 pm, \$15/class, contact Ruth Beyl (845 688 2516) with any questions.

Prayer Squares-Prayer squares are available in a basket in the Narthex. Please take one if you know of someone in need of prayer. You may also carry one in your pocket as a reminder to pray for someone, you think needs prayer. The knitter has pray fully knitted it for you.

Giving Tree and Hygiene Kits- We will be supporting Myer Elementary School again this year by providing gift cards and hygiene kits. All Donations are due by 12/12/21. See attached flyer for more information!

Nominations and Votes for Consistory are:

Elders: Linda Moon and Bill Baldinger

Deacons: Lee Gable, Jeanne Quenzer and Dino Sumerano

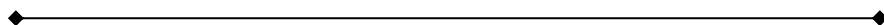
Come help decorate the Church Friday December 3rd, 9:30am promptly, And December 22nd at 9am to put out the Poinsettia's and aisle lights. All are welcome!



It's That Time Again!!!

Once again it's time to place your orders for poinsettia plants to adorn the sanctuary for the Holiday season.

Plants are one size, one color, and one price: red at \$7.50 each.



POINSETTIAS

Number of plants: _____ @ \$7.50 each: Total due _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

We are requesting that you take your plant home or deliver it to someone special.

Make Checks Payable to: **Hurley Reformed Church**

Give to Kathy Jansen after worship or mail to:

223 Hidden Valley Road, Kingston, NY 12401

Payment must be received by December 5, 2021

HRC Giving Tree 2021

We will be supporting the **Myer Elementary School** again this year. Karen Waligurski *(the school nurse)*, has requested that we provide **gift cards**.
(Karen will make sure that the cards get to the families in need.)

Please purchase your cards from where you are comfortable shopping.

<u>Suggested Stores:</u>	<u>Suggested Amount:</u>
ShopRite CVS	\$10.00
Hannaford Walgreens	\$15.00
ALDI Walmart	\$20.00
Target Stewarts	\$25.00

*Please put your card(s) in an envelope marked Giving Tree and drop them in the offering basket or send them to the church with your offering. Please make sure the \$ amount on the card is indicated. **Donations are due 12/12/21.***

Hygiene Kits 2021

There is a need for hygiene kits too so if you would like to shop and put together a kit or two that would be wonderful!

MEYER SCHOOL HYGIENE KITS:
Shampoo, Body Wash, Tooth Brush, Tooth Paste, Deodorant, Soap, Hair Brush, Nail Kit, Wash Cloth & Toiletry Caddy
All items are from Dollar Tree for \$10.
Donations are due 12/12/21.

**Your generosity will help many families right here in Hurley, NY
Any questions contact Linda Moon or Marilyn Lowe**

