

Hurley Reformed Church
Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost
November 8, 2020, 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: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

All: **Who is this King of Glory?**

Leader: The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle.

All: **Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

Leader: Who is he, this King of glory?

All: The LORD Almighty-he is the King of glory

HYMN OF APPROACH: #758, "God of Our Fathers" v. 1, 3, 4

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we come confessing the sins which we have committed by our actions and our inactions. We have sought to after the things of this world instead of seeking after your eternal kingdom. Set our eyes not on the here and the now but on what we might do to serve you. Grant that we might be willing to use our gifts, abilities and who we are to serve you in this broken world of ours. Amen.

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

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

RESPONSIVE READING:

Leader: Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain.

All: **Unless the Lord guards the city, the guard keeps watch in vain.**

Leader: It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest,

All: **eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives sleep to his beloved.**

Leader: May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy

All: **May those who go out weeping bearing the seed for sowing, come home with shouts of joy.**

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

CHILDREN'S SERMON (Children leave for Sunday School)

THE WORD OF GOD

HYMN OF PREPARATION: #720, "God of Grace and God of Glory"
v 1-3

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Joshua 24:1-3a; 14-25

New Testament: Matthew 25:1-13

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: "Ready or Not, Here He Comes"

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERING

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

MORNING PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

HYMN OF CONSECRATION: #756, "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church this morning. We are glad you are here today. Today we remember how God has blessed and helped us in the past, and we have faith He will continue to do so in the future. Wave hello to everyone. Say hello to Rev. Bill.

Ushers assisting in the service are Jim Pirro and Doug Constant.

Tune your car radio to 94.9 FM for the service.

Please stay in your car and wave your hellos!

Happy Veteran's Day!

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

Christa Conlin is at home; Rev. Stickley is at home recuperating; Mildred Mattison has fallen and broken her wrist and is at home recovering; Gene Groelle is in Woodland Ponds; Jim and Sheila Craven are home; Alice Presti has moved to North Carolina nearer her daughter; Bev Roosa is at the Terraces at Brookmeade; MaryLou Vogt is in Hudson Valley Senior Residence; Shirley Ruth is in Mountain Valley Manor; 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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Consistory 2020

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Lisa Longto, *Clerk*

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.



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

#758 God of Our Fathers vs 1,3,4

1. God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.
2. From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense.
Thy true religion in our hearts increase;
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.
3. Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way.
Lead us from night to never-ending day.
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine;
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

#720 God of Grace and God of Glory 1-3

1. God of grace and God of glory,
On thy people pour thy power.
Crown the ancient Church's story;
bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
For the facing of ths hour,
for the facing of ths hour.
2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us,
Scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
Fears and doubts too long have bound us,
Free our hearts to love and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage
For the living of these days,
For the living of these days.
3. Cure thy children's warring madness,
Bend our pride to thy control.
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness --
Rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
Lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

#756 Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory, Battle Hymn of the Republic

1. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord.
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword.
His truth is marching on.
 - o *Refrain*
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on.
2. I have seen Him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps;
They have builded him an altar in the evening dews and
damps.
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps.
His day is marching on.
3. He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat;
Oh, be swift, my soul, to answer Him! Be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on.
4. In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me.
As He died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
While God is marching on.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR November 8, 2020

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Italian Dinner yesterday.

The Annual Congregational Meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2020 after worship. It will be a Zoom meeting. Contact Rev Bill or the office for invitation. Congregational meeting reports will be available by email or phone request. If you want reports sent to you, notify the office by Wednesday.

Rev Bill will be available for visits (with social distancing protocols). Contact the church to request a visit.

Pecans have arrived. They can be picked up at Sandy Emrich's van or by contacting her to arrange pick up at 845-687-4006....thanks.

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.

Hospital bed available: We have a home version of a hospital bed (electric) to give to anyone in need of it. The only requirement is that you come pick it up at Sunset Terrace in Hurley. Please contact us if you are interested -- Gretchen Giles 339-3611.

The mission of the month for November is the Samaritan's Purse.

Deacon of the month is Linda Clarke-Dido. Contact her at 845-338-0100 if you need a deacon's assistance.

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 chlorox 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.

HRC Giving Tree

COVID SAFE GIVING — 2020

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

Please purchase your cards from where you are
comfortable shopping during these COVID times.

<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 12/13/2020

Your generosity will help many
families right here in Hurley, NY

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