

Hurley Reformed Church  
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 19, 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

Leader: Praise the Lord.

**All: The Lord's name be praised.**

Leader: Great God, you have been generous and marvelously kind.

**All: Give us such wonder, love, and gratitude that we may sing praises to you and joyfully honor your name through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen**

\*HYMN OF APPROACH: #51, "Come Thou Fount"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, we come before you confessing those ways which we have fallen short of what you have asked. We have fallen short of who you have called us to be, and what you have called us to do in our world and in our lives. Grant us Lord, the strength to be servants, the courage to put others before ourselves and the ability to love one another. We raise this our prayer to you, O Lord, in your holy name, 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: If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of Righteousness.

**All: if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.**

Leader: So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh-for if you live according to the flesh, you will die;

**All: But if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.**

Leader: For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

**All: for you did not receive a spirit of sin to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption.**

Leader: When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness to our spirit that we are children of God,

**All: and if children, then heirs, heirs to God and joint heirs with Christ-if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.**

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

### **THE WORD OF GOD**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #75, "This is My Father's World"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Psalm 54

New Testament: Mark 9:30-37

SERMON: "When the greatest isn't"

### **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: #563, "There is a Balm in Gilead"

\*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)

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

**In Person and Zoom Worship** happens at 10am!

**There is coffee and Snacks!** Fellowship in Schadewald Hall after worship.

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

Barbara Sartorius is out of the hospital and is recuperating at her son's home in New Hampshire; Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Viola Opdahl is home; 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 is at TenBroeck; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Anthony DiPietro (son of MaryAnn DiPietro), Marie Dressel.

**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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#### Consistory 2021

##### Elders

Douglas Constant, *Senior Elder, Classis Delegate*  
Dennis Croswell, *Youth Ministry*  
Glenn Decker, *Finance*  
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Sandra Emrich, *Program & Activities*  
Thomas Harkin  
James Pirro, *Property & Maintenance*

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Allan Dumas  
Christopher Decker, *Information Technology*  
David Kent, *Worship*  
Robert Kindt  
Lisa Longto, *Clerk*  
Linda Moon, *Missions*

Rev. Charles E. Stickle, *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*

## #51 Come Thou Fount

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  
I'll praise the mount I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer  
Hither by thy help I come  
And I hope by thy good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wondering from the fold of God  
He, to rescue me from danger  
Interposed His precious blood

O 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 full-ness;  
Guide me by Thy mighty hand Till,  
transformed, in Thine own image,  
In Thy presence I shall stand.

## #75 This is My Father's World

1. This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears  
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas, his hand  
the wonders wrought.

2. This is my Father's world the birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world, he shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,  
he speaks to me everywhere

3. This is my Father's world, oh, let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world, the battle is not done:  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and Heav'n be one.

## #563 There Is a Balm in Gilead

### Refrain

*There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole:*

*There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.*

1-Sometimes I feel discouraged, And think my work's in vain  
But then the Holy Spirit Revives my soul again.

2-If you cannot preach like Peter, If you cannot pray like Paul,  
You can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all."

## Announcements- September 19, 2021

**Barbara Sartorius** has a new address. She would love to hear from you.

Barbara Sartorius  
c/o The Residence at Silver Square, Apt 306  
100 Sterling Way, Dover, NH 03820

**Rebecca & Allan Masters** have moved! Rebecca retired after 33 ½ years of teaching!

119 Cherry Court  
Matamoras, PA 18336

**Condolences to the family** of Ron Every. Our hearts go out them at this time.

**Condolences to the family** of Sheila Craven. Sheila went to glory August 16, 2021. Cards can be sent to the family at 144 Sheryl St. Hurley, NY 12443. "Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted."

**We are looking for** volunteers to help some of our members who aren't able to drive anymore get to worship. If you are willing to assist, not every week but on occasion, please let Rev Bill know.

**Recycling Program is Back!** Please leave your recyclable cans/bottles in the marked canisters in Schadewald Hall. No need to separate! Terry Grafken will return them and all proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. Thank you for all your support!

**Mark your calendars:** October 16th: Craft Fair

**Crafts Fair**  
Fall Shopping! Christmas Shopping!  
OCTOBER 16, 2021  
9AM - 4PM  
GENERAL ADMISSION = \$3 (UNDER 12 FREE)  
FOOD & DRINKS AVAILABLE  
VENDOR FEE = \$20 (BRING YOUR OWN TABLES)  
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