

Hurley Reformed Church
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 7, 2025; 10:00am
Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

MORNING WORSHIP
OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds
among the peoples.

All: Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Leader: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD
rejoice.

All: Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually.

Leader: Remember the wonderful works he has done, his miracles, and the
judgments he uttered,

All: Praise the LORD!

*HYMN OF APPROACH: **"Here I am Lord"**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**God of birth, God of joy, God of life, we come to you as a people hungry
for good news. We have been so dead to miracles that we have missed
the world's rebirth. We have preoccupied ourselves with pleasures and
have overlooked the joy you offer us. We have been so concerned with
making a living that we have missed the life you set among us. Forgive
us, gracious God. Open our eyes and our hearts to receive your gift; open
our lips and hands to share it with all humanity in the name of our savior,
Jesus Christ. Amen.**

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

*RESPONSIVE READING Apostles Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,**

was crucified, dead, and buried.

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church*,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: **#625 "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Jeremiah 18:1-11 (pg.621)

New Testament: Luke 14:25-33 (pg. 845)

SERMON: "Don't Look Back"

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

OFFERING

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

*HYMN OF CONSECRATION: **#2 "Holy, Holy, Holy"**

*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)

Assisting with Liturgy today is Russ Voigtlaender

Ushers assisting in the service are Dennis Croswell and Dino Sumerano

Please join us in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments! Thank you to The Voigtlaender Family for providing them.

Flowers on the altar are provided by Barb Hornbeck in memory of her father Don Hornbeck

Leading us in song is Jeffery Seitz

Mission of the month will be Peoples Place

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

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Terry Conlin; Bill Hannis; Barbara Bondar

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

Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in deepest and sin, My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Chorus

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them. They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?

Chorus

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Chorus

#625 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

What a friend we have in Jesus,
All our sins and griefs to bear!
What a privilege to carry
Ev'ry-thing to God in prayer!
O, what peace we often forfeit,
O, what needless pain we bear,
All because we do not carry
Ev'rything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?
Is there trouble anywhere?
We should never be discouraged;
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Can we find a friend so faithful
Who will all our sorrows share?

Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness;
Take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden,
Cumbered with a load of care?
Precious Savior, still our Refuge!
Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do thy friends depise, for sake thee?
Take it to the Lord in prayer. In his
arms He'll take the shield thee; Thou
wilt find a solace there.

#2 Holy, Holy, Holy

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! Tho' the darkness hide Thee,
Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy Name,
in earth, and sky, and sea.
Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Announcements-September 7, 2025

Activities this week:

Monday: 6:30pm Al-Anon in Schadewald Hall
Tuesday: 9:00am Bible Study in the Dutch Room
4pm-6pm Brook's BBQ
Wednesday 12pm Social Solos
Thursday: 4:15pm Karate in Schadewald Hall
Friday: 1:00pm Knitters in the Dutch Room
Saturday: 9:00am Karate in Schadewald Hall

On September 14th, after worship, stick around to listen to a short presentation about the Church Growth plan. Brunch will be provided. Hope you will be there.

We are looking for scripture readers. If you'd like to volunteer please sign up on the clipboard in the narthex.

In 2026 our church will celebrate its 225th Anniversary! If you would like to help in planning our celebration for this momentous event please let Rev. Bill know.

The Mission for September will be Peoples Place, supporting their back to school programs. We will also do a basket collection this month of school items; such as Glue sticks, pencils, crayons, markers, erasers, composition notebooks, etc. that will go to Family of Woodstock.

Upcoming Event

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Crafts Fair
SEPTEMBER 27, 2025
Come join us **Sunday mornings 10 AM** for worship service.
Hurley Reformed Church, Main St, Hurley NY

Brook's Chicken BBQ
Sept. 9, 2025 4-6pm
For reservations call 845-331-4121

Thank you for supporting us!