



WYCKOFF
REFORMED CHURCH

OUTDOOR WORSHIP
NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Thanks for joining us for this week's worship service. As you gather this morning, take a moment to notice God's creation around you. Give thanks to God for what you see, hear, smell, and feel. Give thanks for the opportunity to gather together again, even in this different way. Notice God's presence and welcome God in.

These resources are also available at www.wyckoffreformed.org/worshipguides

To participate in this service online, join us at wrclive.org or on Facebook Live.

While we are all overjoyed to be together, please do not neglect our physical distancing guidelines. Six feet of separation should be maintained between individuals from different households. Masks must be worn when inside and when physical distancing outside is not possible. There are disposable masks and hand sanitizer on the tables at the entrance if you need either.

A children's lesson will be offered during the sermon.
If your child would like to participate, please sign in as you enter worship.

Bold sections will be read aloud together
* Invites you to rise in body or in spirit

GATHERED BY GOD

GATHERING SONG

"PSALM 126"

WELCOME

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth, **Amen.**

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

LIGHTING THE CANDLE

One: Jesus Christ

All: **is the Light of the World.**

One: The Light shines in the darkness,

All: **and the darkness did not overcome it.**

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

JOHN 16:20-22

"I assure you that you will cry and lament, and the world will be happy. You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy. When a woman gives birth, she has pain because her time has come. But when the child is born, she no longer remembers her distress because of her joy that a child has been born into the world. In the same way, you have sorrow now; but I will see you again, and you will be overjoyed. No one takes away your joy."

*SONG OF PRAISE

"JOY TO THE WORLD"

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns:
let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sin and sorrow grow
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

PSALM 85:7-9 NRSV

Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.
Let me hear what God the Lord will speak,
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land."

We turn our hearts to you again, long-awaited one. We wait for all things to be made new. Christ, we pray that our waiting would be marked with joy and rejoicing in all circumstances, that our eyes see clearly the goodness of the Lord at work even in darkness and hardship. Lord, help us to find joy and not complaint; help us to trust your providence and care; guard us from bitterness and despair; restore to us a generous spirit. Indeed, make our lives a witness to your glory and love in the world.

Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,
Speak peace to your people.

PROMISE OF GRACE

PSALM 85:9-13 NRSV

"Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.
Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet;
righteousness and peace will kiss each other.
Faithfulness will spring up from the ground,
and righteousness will look down from the sky.
The Lord will give what is good,
and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness will go before him,
and will make a path for his steps."

In Christ, God's salvation is at hand, and righteousness has come. **Thanks be to God!**

FAMILY MOMENT

Sara Christie

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM

Noah Nebesni
Crosby Walker

***APOSTLES' CREED**

We join our voices together with Christians throughout the ages and across the world to proclaim these words:
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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

OFFERING

We respond to the love and grace of Jesus by giving back our whole lives to God in worship. In this offering, we give our financial gifts as a symbol that all we have comes from God and is to be used for God's glory. Please continue to support us! To give your gift online visit www.wyckoffreformed.org/give, feel free to mail your offering, or leave it in the offering box near the entrance.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him, above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

LISTENING TO GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

LUKE 1:5-25, 57-66

SERMON

ZECHARIAH AND ELIZABETH
Rev. Andy Kadzban

RESPONDING TO GOD

***SONG OF RESPONSE**

O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace

He breaks the power of canceled sin
He sets the prisoner free
His blood can make the foulest clean
His blood availed for me

"O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES"

Refrain:

O for a thousand tongues to sing
O for a thousand years to praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace
My great Redeemer's name

Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb
Your loosened tongues employ
Ye blind, behold your Savior come
And leap, ye lame, for joy
Refrain

Glory to God, and praise and love
Be ever, ever given
By saints below and saints above
The church in earth and heaven
Refrain

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

NUMBERS 6:24-26

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May the Lord lift up his presence to you and give you his peace,
Now and always, Amen.

POSTLUDE

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