



# WYCKOFF

## REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God,  
Making Disciples of Jesus,  
Living Missionally

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January 7, 2024

Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit  
to The Wyckoff Reformed Church!

## HOSPITALITY NOTES

These resources are also available at [www.wyckoffreformed.org/worshipguides](http://www.wyckoffreformed.org/worshipguides).  
To participate in this service online, join us at [wrclive.org](http://wrclive.org) or on Facebook Live.

If you need to use a restroom, they are available through the right-hand door at the front of the sanctuary.

A quiet room is available through the left-hand door as well.

Prayer Cards are available in the backs of the pews and on the table as you enter. If you would like our community to be praying for something, please fill one out and place it in the offering plates in the middle of the service.

Communion is served this morning by intinction and with prepackaged elements. Two stations in the center aisle will be intinction, the station to the side will have pre-packaged and gluten-free elements. You will be offered bread to tear off a piece and a cup in which to dip the bread and then eat. The elders with prepackaged elements will make their way around the sanctuary to serve those in need of assistance after the others have been served.

**Bold sections will be read aloud together.**

\* Invites you to rise in body or in spirit.

Want to get connected, learn more, or grow in your faith?  
Fill out the connection card at [www.wyckoffreformed.org/connect](http://www.wyckoffreformed.org/connect)

## NOTES FOR FAMILIES

Our classrooms are: Nursery (Birth-3), Kids (PreK-3rd grade), and Students (4th-7th grade). Nursery-aged children may be dropped off in the blue room of the Education Building before worship starts. Kids will start the service with their family and be dismissed to their lessons after the Family Moment. For today, students (4th-7th grade) will remain in the service with their family.

Guardians: please check in your children on the iPad upon arrival. You'll receive two stickers. Your child must wear their nametag. You will save the guardian receipt and turn that into your child's Sunday school teacher upon picking them up. Thank you for your support in keeping our students safe.

All students may be picked up from their classrooms in the Education Building. Please note that the doors to the Education Building will be closed from 9:30-10:30am for the safety of our students. A walkie-talkie is provided should you need to reach a teacher or director during this time.

Thank You.

# GATHERED BY GOD

**GATHERING MUSIC**      "WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE"

## WELCOME

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

## LIGHTING THE CANDLE

Jesus Christ

is the Light of the World.

The Light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness cannot overcome it.

## INVITATION TO WORSHIP

ISAIAH 60:1-3 NRSV

Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

For darkness shall cover the earth,  
and thick darkness the peoples;

but the Lord will arise upon you,  
and his glory will appear over you.

Nations shall come to your light,  
and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

O God, who in Jesus Christ, called us out of darkness and into a marvelous light, enable us this morning and always to declare your wonderful deeds, thank you for your steadfast love, and praise you with heart, soul, mind, and strength. Amen.

## \*SONG OF PRAISE

"ARISE, SHINE, FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME"

## **PRAYER FOR RENEWAL**

In sending Christ, the light of the world, you revealed your glory to the nations. You sent a star to guide seekers of wisdom to Bethlehem, that they might worship Christ. Your signs and witness in every age lead people from every place to worship him.

We confess we miss you glory, our gaze too much on ourselves. Our wisdom, that of the world, rather than your own. We miss your signs and remain where we are, missing the invitation to walk further up and further into faith. Forgive us and let your light shine all the brighter before our eyes. Burn bigger in our hearts that we might follow as the Magi did, as your faithful do.

Lead us into true worship, O Lord. In your merciful name, we pray. Amen.

## **PROMISE OF GRACE**

Despite ourselves, God has chosen to love us, to bring us home by the true light of the world, and by our receiving him—by calling upon his name—call us children now and forever.

**\*SONG OF PRAISE** “O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM” #88

## **\*SHARING CHRIST’S PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you.**

## **FAMILY MOMENT**

There will be nursery care and a children’s lesson for students through 3rd grade. Students will remain in the service with their families.

## **OFFERING**

Giving our offerings is an important action that symbolizes the gift of our whole lives to Christ in gratitude for all He has given us. We give cheerfully and joyously, not out of guilt or shame. You may give your offering by placing it in the plate as you receive it from your neighbor and pass it down your row. You may also give online at [www.wyckoffreformed.org/give](http://www.wyckoffreformed.org/give), or text an amount to 201-849-1436. If you give electronically, consider placing an electronic giving card in the plate as a symbol of your gift!

**OFFERTORY**

"CAROL OF THE BELLS"

By: Trad  
Organ Solo

**\*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**

MATTHEW 2:1-12

**SERMON**

"Visit of the Magi"  
Rev. Andy Kadzban

**SERMON NOTES**

# RESPONDING TO GOD

## ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS

### \*APOSTLES' CREED

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.

### CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Communion is served this morning by intinction and with prepackaged elements. Two stations in the center aisle will be intinction, the station to the side will have pre-packaged and gluten-free elements. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please ask an usher. If you are joining us from home, please feel free to join in communion as well! This is the table of Christ, and he welcomes ALL who are trusting in him for their salvation. Come, drink deeply and eat heartily, the body and blood of Jesus Christ!

### 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.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **\*SENDING SONG**

"O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES"

### **\*SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

## **POSTLUDE**

### **FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

Please join us after worship in Heneveld Hall for coffee and fellowship.

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## **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

John Corbett, Denise, Nick Asilo, Norma Leonhard, Anne, Travis, Arlene DiSabatino, Darlene DiSabatino, Michael and Carla Grant, Patti Geffinger, Dottie Morreale, John, Sheldon Platt, Joyce Wolff, Eileen Black, Rich Lynch, Susan Fox, Erika Bach, Janette Daehnke, Bruce Monroe, Chuck Austin, Brad Ritter, Cheryl, Larry, Rick, Melissa, Mike, David Murdock, Frank, Pam Ritter, Lauren, George, Jack Broderick, Donald Moore

## **WEEKLY EVENTS**

Bible Study will be taking a break this week.



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **THANK YOU**

Our sanctuary and campus were decorated for Christmas by many volunteers who shared their time and talents. We would like to say thank you to all who took part in this special time, as your hard work helped make Wyckoff Reformed Church look beautiful for the Advent season and Christmas services. We are taking everything down on Saturday, January 13 at 10:00am from inside the sanctuary. Please let Robin know if you can help.

### **WRC WOMEN'S MEETING CANCELED**

Due to the Covid resurgence within our community, we are canceling the January Potluck luncheon and rescheduling it for the normal February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

### **2024 WALK-IN DINNERS**

The walk-in dinners that WRC are scheduled to prepare and serve on Saturdays in 2024 are February 3rd, May 4th, July 20th and October 12th. The sign up for the first dinner will be available soon. Family Promise told us that we can now bring six volunteers when we go to Hackensack to serve. If in the past you thought you wanted to serve, now is the time to consider it. Volunteers need to be 16 and older. If you have any questions about this, please contact Karen Riether at [kriether@gmail.com](mailto:kriether@gmail.com) or 201-788-5674.

### **WRC BOOK CLUB**

The book selection for January is "These Precious Days" by Ann Patchett. This is a book of essays and is available in the library system. We will be meeting next on Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 3:30 pm in the Memorial Room (changed from January 18).

## LET'S CELEBRATE!

Join us on Friday, January 26 to celebrate our Nursery School's 50th Anniversary!! The event will be held at the Brickhouse, beginning at 6:30pm. There will be dinner, music, dancing and a cash bar. Grab some friends and fill a table! We would really love to have a big church turn out to celebrate one of our longest ministries! Tickets can be purchased here: <https://wrcns.org/50th-anniversary-party> Or, scan the QR code to go directly to the tickets sales. Email Chris Ward with any questions: [christward@gmail.com](mailto:christward@gmail.com).



## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

All 2024 dates are now available if you would like to donate flowers for Sunday Service in honor, or in memory, of loved ones.

To confirm a date, please contact Jessica in the office. She will reserve the date for you and include the tribute in the Worship Guide on your selected date. Flowers can then be ordered through Wyckoff Florist or Colony Florist and they will deliver your flowers and place them in the Sanctuary on your chosen date, or you can bring your own and set them up before service begins.

## FAMILY MINISTRY

### SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

There will be Sunday school for children through 3rd grade today. Regular Sunday school classes for students through 7th grade will resume on January 14.

## AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLASSES

We loved our Lego and Baking Class last fall and hope you'll join us for more this winter and spring! Check out our all-star lineup of after school classes happening on Thursdays from 3:30-5:00pm. Each month is a different theme. You can register for more than one class by going back and adding another to your cart prior to checking out. Share with your friends and register soon before they sell out! <https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/kids-activities-registration/>

## YOUTH GROUP RETREAT

We are headed to Shiloh Retreat Center from March 8-10 with Grace Church of Ridgewood and Cornerstone Church of Wyckoff. This retreat is open to students in 6th-12th grade and is a time for fellowship and relationship building as we all grow in our faith in Jesus. We'll hear teachings, live worship, and play lots of fun games. Deadline to register is January 31! Cost = \$175. Scholarships are available. Don't miss out - sign up on our website!!  
<https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/trips/winterretreat>

## YOUTH MISSION TRIP

Registration is open for our June 30-July 5, 2024 youth mission trip! We can't wait to serve in Newark, NY. This trip is open to incoming 9th graders - college-aged students: <https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/trips/youthmissiontrip>

# CALENDAR

Sunday, January 7

9:30AM Sunday Worship  
10:30AM Fellowship Hour  
7:00PM Youth Group

Tuesday, January 9

12:30PM Activities Unlimited Meeting  
7:00PM Children's Committee Meeting  
7:00PM Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 10

6:30PM Choir Practice  
8:00PM Sr. High Girls' Bible Study

Sunday, January 14

9:30AM Sunday Worship  
10:30AM Fellowship Hour  
7:00PM Youth Group

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