



WYCKOFF

REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God,
Making Disciples of Jesus,
Living Missionally

January 15, 2023

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

Restrooms 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.

Our classrooms are: Nursery (Birth-3), Kids (ages 4-9), and Students (ages 10-13). Nursery-aged children may be dropped off in the blue room of the Education Building before worship starts. Kids and Students will start the service with their families and will be walked over to their lesson after the Family Moment. Guardians will check in their children on the iPad upon arrival in the sanctuary and will sign them out from their classrooms.

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.

GATHERED BY GOD

GATHERING MUSIC

"HE IS AMONG US"

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

Come let us worship God!

Lift up your voice; lift up your hearts!

God alone is worthy of all praise!

To you, Lord, be all glory and honor and praise!

*SONG OF PRAISE

"PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY" #575

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PROMISE OF GRACE

Hear the good news!

Who is in a position to condemn?

Only Christ,

and Christ died for us,

Christ rose for us,

Christ reigns in power for us,

Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ

is a new creation.

The old life has gone;

a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

—based on Romans 8:34; 2 Corinthians 5:17

***SONG OF PRAISE**

“YOU ARE GOOD” #577

FAMILY MOMENT

Joe DelBuono

OFFERING

We have reintroduced the collection of the offering to our worship services! 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, 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!

***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

PSALM 16

SERMON

"GRATITUDE AND HOPE"
Mark Lutz

RESPONDING TO GOD

SONG FOR REFLECTION

"GRATITUDE"

*APOSTLES' CREED

We join our voices together with Christians throughout the ages 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.

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

***SONG OF SENDING**

"OPEN OUR EYES" #297

***SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

NUMBERS 6:24-26

POSTLUDE

"FATHER, LET YOUR KINGDOM COME"

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

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

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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WEEKLY EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY, Wednesdays at 9:00 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91413616383?pwd=QmVKd3djNU5mdVYyQlNwQ3crbTNvQT09>

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WE WELCOME MARK LUTZ!

Mark Lutz joined Opportunity International in 1986 as a key member of the private fundraising team, where he's grown private annual revenue from \$1 million to more than \$40 million.

Mark grew up in South Africa with his missionary parents. Living for 20 years under apartheid shaped him to become an advocate for justice. Visits to 50 countries sharpened his vision for a world free of extreme poverty.

Prior to joining Opportunity, Mark served as Senior Director of Resource Development for MAP International, a Christian organization providing life-changing medicines and health supplies to people in need.

In 2010, Mark wrote *UnPoverty: Rich Lessons from the Working Poor*, in which he tells the stories of entrepreneurs who have received micro loans from Opportunity.

Mark earned a Bachelor of Arts in music and a Masters in Cross-Cultural Communication from Wheaton College. Mark and his wife, Lise, live in Glen Ellyn, Illinois, where they raised their three children.

WRC BOOK CLUB

Our next book selection is *Unpoverty: Rich Lessons From The Working Poor* by Mark Lutz. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, January 26 at 3:30 pm. We will meet in the Memorial Room at WRC, with ability to Zoom also.

THANK YOU

The Wyckoff Reformed Church Cemetery Committee would like to thank Madilyn Chanley and her Ramapo HS Interact Club members, for their amazing help this past week, in removing all of the Christmas wreaths and holiday decorations from our beautiful Cemetery. Interact, a community service focused club, has frequently joined Cemetery committee members when we have group projects in the Cemetery. Thanks Madilyn for your leadership.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

OPPORTUNITY INTERNATIONAL DONATIONS

For the past decade, our congregation has generously donated to a Christian founded charitable organization called Opportunity International.

We are collecting this year starting in mid-January like we did in 2020 and years before. Our Mission Committee will be contributing \$1000 to OI. The Mission Committee is challenging the congregation to match the donation total from last year which was more than \$5000.

If you wish to participate in the annual Mission Committee challenge, you can donate in any of three different ways:

- Go to our secure site and select Opportunity International from the drop-down menu:
<https://www.shelbygiving.com/App/Giving/wyck580168>
- Send a text message to 201-849-1436 with content “\$(dollar amount and Opportunity)”
- Write a check to the 'Wyckoff Reformed Church' (memo: Opportunity Int'l) and mail it to the church or put it in the Sunday morning collection box.
- Go to the Opportunity Int'l website, www.opportunity.org, and donate.

For those unfamiliar with Opportunity International, it serves nearly 11 million people in 23 countries and provides loans, training and support so people can break the cycle of poverty.

If you wish to learn more about Opportunity International, check their website: www.opportunity.org, or contact Brian Clark at 201-970-7210 or Karen Riether at 201-788-5674.

WALK-IN DINNER FEBRUARY 4

The next walk-in dinner that Wyckoff Reformed Church will prepare and serve is on **Saturday, February 4**. As usual, we need a crew of 12+ people. If you have helped out in the past or haven't had the chance yet, you are invited to participate in next month's dinner.

If you want to sign up to help serve the food in Hackensack (item 2 below) we need to have those volunteers sign-up quickly, so we can let Family Promise know we will have servers. **We need to know if you want to serve by Sunday, January 22.**

Several people have already signed up to help. Here is the help we still need:

1. Two people to prepare the salad Friday afternoon, February 3 at 2pm.
2. Three people to pick-up the cooked food and supplies in the church kitchen, deliver it to the homeless shelter in Hackensack and stay and help place food in containers to be given out. This commitment is on Saturday February 4 from 2 - 6pm. Volunteers need to be 18 or older, sign a waiver form and need to show proof of vaccination. Volunteer names are needed by Sunday, January 22 and the waiver forms for those people are needed by Tuesday, January 24. If you sign up to serve, we will get the waiver form to you. (If you've served before, we may have your waiver on file.)

If you would like to help, you can do so by clicking on the following Signup Genius link and sign up for one of the available job slots:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0448AFA72CABFF2-volunteers7>

Or you can contact Karen Riether at kriether@gmail.com or 201-788-5674 with any questions or to volunteer.

FAMILY MINISTRY

YOUTH CONFERENCE

RISE is a youth conference for 8th-12th graders on February 4, from 9:00am-6:00pm at Emergence Church in Totowa, NJ. At RISE, students will discover their identity in Christ, learn how to deepen their faith in an ever-changing culture, and enter into a movement of young people living out the mission of God every day. It's going to be AMAZING!

You'll purchase your own ticket but Sara can drive youth who plan to attend. For more information and to purchase a ticket, contact Sara or go online: <https://riseconference.com/#schedule>

YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE

Join us at Ponds this Sunday! We meet every Sunday night from 7:00-8:30pm. The 1st and 2nd Sundays are at Wyckoff Reformed. The 3rd and 4th Sundays are at Ponds Reformed. Any 5th Sundays are fellowship nights.

We'll have another community service day in Newark on February 26 from 12:00-3:30pm. We will not have YG that night. More information to come, but mark your calendars for this meaningful service project!

SPRING MUSICAL

Our Director of Music, Greg Nalesnik, is putting together a shortened performance of a few songs from *Godspell*, for our Palm Sunday service on April 2, 2023. If your child would like to participate in a small role, please contact Sara Christie at sarac@wyckoffreformed.org to sign up! This is open to anyone in preschool or older. We look forward to using their gifts!

CALENDAR

Sunday, January 15

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

Monday, January 16

Office Closed

Tuesday, January 17

5:30 PM Confirmation Class
7:30 PM Consistory Meeting

Wednesday, January 18

9:00 AM Zoom Bible Study
6:30 PM Choir Practice

Sunday, January 22

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

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