



# WYCKOFF

## REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God,  
Making Disciples of Jesus,  
Living Missionally

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February 25, 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.

**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 and Students will start the service with their family and be dismissed to their lessons after the Family Moment.

Guardians: please check in your children on the iPad upon arrival. Your child will wear their nametag. You will turn in your guardian receipt upon picking them up.

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

"ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING"

### 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

PSALM 148 NRSV

"Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens;

praise him in the heights!

Praise him, all his angels;

praise him, all his host!

Praise him, sun and moon;

praise him, all you shining stars!

Praise him, you highest heavens,

and you waters above the heavens!

Let them praise the name of the Lord,

for he commanded and they were created.

He established them for ever and ever;

he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.

Praise the Lord from the earth,

you sea monsters and all deeps,

fire and hail, snow and frost,

stormy wind fulfilling his command!

Mountains and all hills,

fruit trees and all cedars!

Wild animals and all cattle,

creeping things and flying birds!

Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the earth!  
Young men and women alike,  
old and young together!  
Let them praise the name of the Lord,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his glory is above earth and heaven.  
He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his faithful,  
for the people of Israel who are close to him.  
Praise the Lord!"

### **\*SONG OF PRAISE**

"PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY" #575

### **PRAYER FOR RENEWAL**

PSALM 85:4-7 NRSV

"Restore us again, O God of our salvation,  
and put away your indignation towards us.  
Will you be angry with us forever?  
Will you prolong your anger to all generations?  
Will you not revive us again,  
so that your people may rejoice in you?  
Show us your steadfast love, O Lord,  
and grant us your salvation."  
Let's pray.

### **PROMISE OF GRACE**

PSALM 85:8-13 NRSV

"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.  
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."

### **\*SONG OF PRAISE**

"YET NOT I, BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME"

### **\*SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE**

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

### **FAMILY MOMENT**

Sara Christie

### **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**

"BE NOT AFRAID"

By: Craig Courtney

### **\*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**

GENESIS 4:1-24

### **SERMON**

"The Bible is a Story About Dragons"

Rev. Andy Kadzban

## SERMON NOTES

### RESPONDING TO GOD

#### \*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.

## 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**

"TAKE MY LIFE"

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

NUMBERS 6:24-26

## POSTLUDE

### FELLOWSHIP HOUR

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

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## **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Beverly Intveld, Bob, Peggy Graham, John Corbett, Denise, Nick Asilo, Travis, Arlene DiSabatino, Darlene DiSabatino, Michael and Carla Grant, Patti Geffinger, Dottie Morreale, John, Sheldon Platt, Joyce Wolff, Eileen Black, Rich Lynch, 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

*We give thanks to God and celebrate with Sara and Pete Paraskevoulakos, after the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Dami, born February 9, 2024.*

## **WEEKLY EVENTS**

BIBLE STUDY, Wednesdays at 9:00 am

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **LENTEN DEVOTIONALS**

Lent has traditionally been a season when we turn back and focus our lives again on Jesus. The common act of giving something up for Lent is meant to create more space in our lives for Jesus. Whether or not you give something up, we want to invite you to take something new on this Lent to bring you closer to Jesus. This year, instead of a set devotional, we want to encourage you to be creative and find what you need at this step of your journey.

Take 10 minutes and pray over how you want to experience Jesus' presence, and consider these as a few options to maybe get you started:

- Pray As You Go- Available as a podcast or standalone app, Pray As You Go releases daily reflections that include music, scripture, and guided prayer.
- Daily Lent Devotions: Anatomy of the Soul- Follow Faithward Lenten daily devotions, which invite you to meditate on the Psalms.  
<https://www.faithward.org/daily-lent-devotions-based-on-the-psalms>
- Daily Devotional Email - Many organizations send out daily email devotionals. Sign up for one! Consider devotionals from Gospel in Life; Biola's Center for Christianity, Culture, and the Arts; or Words of Hope.
- Something else! As you pray, pay attention to where God leads you and be willing to explore something new this season!

## EASTER FLOWERS

We will be filling the sanctuary with Easter lilies, tulips and daffodils again this year. If you would like to donate a flower in honor, or in memory of, a loved one, please visit our website for more information and to place your order: <https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/easterflowers>. Or, complete the flyer in the upcoming March Bellringer and return to the church office by Friday, March 22. Flowers are \$20.00 each.

## SIGN UP TO SERVE!

Looking to get more involved and connected? Want to use your gifts to bless others? Maybe God is inviting you to serve in one of the following ministries!

- Ushering- Help to create a welcoming space where others can experience the love of Jesus in a tangible way every Sunday!
- Hospitality Teams- Loving making space for others to gather? Help setup for Fellowship Hour or provide goodies.
- Nursery or Sunday School- Help our littlest ones grow in their faith and get to know Jesus.
- Music Ministry- Join your voice or instrument to the chorus and help us lift our hearts into God's presence in worship.

For information about these opportunities (and Youth Group, Food Pantry, Cemetery and more!), contact the church office!

## JOIN THE EASTER CHORUS!

The choir is singing the Halleluiah chorus on Easter morning. If you would like to be part of this inspirational offering, please join us any Wednesday before Easter from 6:30-6:45pm in the choir room, located in the basement of the sanctuary.

## WRC BOOK CLUB

The February book selection is "Devotions: The Selected Poems of Mary Oliver," by Mary Oliver. There are copies in the library system.

The meeting will be Thursday, February 29 at 3:30 pm in the Memorial Room at church. Please choose a couple of your favorite poems to share!

## **FAMILY MINISTRY**

### **MARCH "MUFFIN" MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER**

Come pick up some treats at our final bake sale on Sunday, March 17, after church. Thank you for your ongoing support towards our summer trip to Newark, NY! Cash or check only, please. Thank you!

### **#SHARE THE LOVE FOOD DRIVE**

We are collecting items for New Hope Ministries in Prospect Park for their #SharetheLove Campaign. Please donate items by February 25 to the front office or at church. Items needed:

- Boxes of children's snacks
- Apple juice (plastic bottles or juice boxes)
- Cranberry juice (plastic bottles or juice boxes)

All donations are welcome and greatly appreciated!

### **MARCH AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT CLASSES**

Our Easter activity class will begin on March 7 and meet every Thursday from 3:30-5:00pm. Cost is \$60 for 4 classes. Scroll to the bottom and Register online here: <https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/kids-activities-registration>

### **YOUTH RETREAT SIGN UP**

We are headed to Shiloh Retreat Center from March 8-10 with Grace Church of Ridgewood and Cornerstone Church of Wyckoff. We're confident it'll be full of encounters with Jesus! Cost = \$175, Open to 6th -12th graders.

<https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/trips/winterretreat>

### **YOUTH GROUP**

We meet every Sunday from 7:00-8:30pm on the 3rd floor. We welcome all 6th-12th graders!

# CALENDAR

Sunday, February 25

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

Wednesday, February 28

9:00AM Zoom Bible Study  
6:30PM Choir Practice  
8:00PM Sr. High Girls Bible Study

Thursday, February 29

3:30PM Enrichment Class  
3:30PM WRC Book Club

Sunday, March 3

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

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