

WYCKOFF REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God, Making Disciples of Jesus, Living Missionally

May 21, 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 family and be dismissed to their lessons after the Family Moment. 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 number is provided on the front door, should you need access during this time. Thank You.

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.

GATHERED BY GOD

GATHERING MUSIC

"NOT IN A HURRY"

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 147:1-7, 12-14

"Praise the Lord!

How good it is to sing praises to our God;

for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem;

he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

He heals the broken-hearted,

and binds up their wounds.

He determines the number of the stars;

he gives to all of them their names.

Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;

his understanding is beyond measure.

The Lord lifts up the downtrodden;

he casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;

make melody to our God on the lyre.

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem!

Praise your God, O Zion!

For he strengthens the bars of your gates;

he blesses your children within you.

He grants peace within your borders;

he fills you with the finest of wheat."

*SONG OF PRAISE

"ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING" #551 VV.1,2,6

***SONG OF PRAISE**

"COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING" #521

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

Eternal and merciful God,

you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake.

Yet we have strayed from your way;

we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone.

As we remember the lavish gift of your grace

symbolized in baptism, O God,

we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again.

Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ,

who lives and reigns with you,

and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

PROMISE OF GRACE

Here, friends, is the good news of the gospel:

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. We were captive to sin and death; now we are set free, reconciled, and sealed as God's own. Now, it is the life, grace, peace of Christ by which we live!

Amen! Alleluia!

*SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

FAMILY MOMENT

Audrey Naumann

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, 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

"PRELUDE NO.1"

By J.S. Bach

Words and Music by Julie Wheeler Duet: Robin Brickman and Carly DaSilva

*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 John 2:13-25

SERMON

"Survival or Revival" Rev. John C.H. Chang

SERMON NOTES

RESPONDING TO GOD

*SONG OF RESPONSE "GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS"#348

*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

*SENDING SONG

"BE THOU MY VISION" #859

*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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REV. DR. JOHN C.H. CHANG

Rev. Dr. John C. H. Chang is a Taiwanese-American. He graduated from Tainan Theological Seminary in Taiwan (M.Div. 1977), then he also graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary (M. A.T.S. 1982; and D.Min.1995).

He is the founding pastor of 4 Reformed Churches in New York area: Grace Christian Church in Staten Island, NY(1983), Grace Christian Church in Bayside, NY (1999), These two are organized; Grace Christian Church in Bronx, NY (2006) and Grace Christian Church in Flushing, NY (2022), these two are in the process to be organized. He still serves as Senior Pastor at Bayside Church. They have 5 ordained pastors serving at 4 locations.

He was ordained as "Minister of Word and Sacrament" by NY Classis, RCA. He also served as president of New York Classis, Queens Classis, president of Regional Synod of New York (1995-1997), and president of General Synod, RCA (2002-2003.)

Pastor Chang believes that Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. No one can go to the Father except through him (John 14:6.) That is the core belief of Christian faith.

Pastor Chang and his wife, Su both have two sons: Campbell and his wife Linda live in Taiwan as missionaries; Jeffrey and his wife Faith now serve as Senior Pastor at Grace Christian Church in Staten Island. By God's grace, the Chang family has 7 grandchildren.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Kali Kaszycki, Dic VerHage, Janet Sisko, Patti Geffinger, Dottie Morreale, John, Jan and Ridge Cooper, Amy Bowers Dill, Sheldon Platt, Trudie Zegel, Joyce Wolff, Eileen Black, Rich Lynch, Susan Fox, Erika Bach, Janette Daehnke, Bruce Monroe, Roz Brickman, Jeannie Tamaroglio, Chuck Austin, Brad Ritter, Donna, Cheryl, Larry, Rick, Melissa, Mike, David Murdock, Neal Schlendorf, Frank, Pam Ritter, Lauren, George, Jack Broderick, Donald Moore

WEEKLY EVENTS

Bible study is taking a break this week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WRC COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY IS COMING!

Mark your calendars – the WRC Community Block Party will be on June 10th from 4-7pm! We'll have everything from the 2021 party - a bouncy house, inflatable games, Touch-a-Truck opportunities, crafts - but this time we're adding some food trucks! Our first Community Block Party was so much fun and such a gift to the church and community, we hope you join us again this year!

But to make this happen, we need your help! There are 3 ways you can help:

- 1. Invite your friends and neighbors to come. Be sure to take a few postcards from the Narthex and hand them out!
- 2. Donate a case of water bottles to be distributed that day free of charge. Please drop off your donations the week of the block party to Heneveld Hall.
- 3. We need about 30 volunteers to make this happen. Can you help out? Click on the following Signup Genius link and let us know how you can help: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0448AFA72CABFF2-spring.

If you're not comfortable with signing up that way, please contact the office (201-891-1782) and Jessica will take care of signing you up. If you have any questions, you can talk to Andy (andyk@wyckoffreformed.org) or Sonja DelBuono (sonja.visser@verizon.net).

WRCNS SCHOOL BOARD IS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS The Nursery School board is in search of two to three new members. We would love to have board members with a background in business management, finance, marketing, or other aspects of running a small business. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month and the two-year term begins in July. If you are interested or to learn more, please reach out to Chris Ward (973-534-5327).

WRC BOOK CLUB

The next book that the WRC Book Club has chosen is *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. There are copies in the library system. It is still very popular, so make sure to get your request in if you wish to borrow. Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 15th at 3:30 pm. We will again be in the Memorial Room at church.

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Outdoor worship is set again for this summer, on the second Sunday of each month, beginning June 11. We will need help with setup and teardown – let Jessica in the office know if you can help!

CHILDREN AT THE TABLE

Are you interested in your child taking communion? Over the course of two sessions, students will learn the sacrament of communion and then be invited to join the congregation each month. Open to any student in 2nd grade or older. Contact Sara, sarac@wyckoffreformed.org, to schedule.

DISCOVERY CLASSES

If you are interested in learning more about WRC and getting connected to all that's going on, please join us for our next Discovery Classes! The classes will be on Sunday, June 4 and Sunday, June 11, right after worship. Contact Pastor Andy at andyk@wyckoffreformed.org for more information.

FAMILY MINISTRY

CONFIRMATION ON JUNE 4 – Our students are away on their retreat this weekend! Please join us in praying for their time together. Then, join us again for worship on June 4 to celebrate their professions of faith.

SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY ON JUNE 11 – Scholarships will be awarded during church on June 11.

VOLUNTEER TRAINING & CELEBRATION ON JUNE 11— Sunday school leaders are invited to a brunch after church on June 11 in the family ministry space on June 11. This will be our spring training and celebration. Thank you for the ways you shepherd and disciple our children!

MISSION TRIP STUDENT MEETING ON JUNE 11– This meeting is for students only to help us prepare for serving in RI this summer. We'll be meeting from 12pm-1pm in the family ministry space.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP SEND-OFF ON JUNE 11 – We'll celebrate our seniors with a special youth group on Sunday, June 11, 7-8:30pm at Wyckoff Reformed Church. We invite all 6th-12th graders to join us!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Thank you to all who contributed to the mission trip fundraisers this year. Due to your generosity, we feel more equipped for this week of service.

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 21

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

Wednesday, May 24

6:30 PM Choir Practice

Thursday, May 25

8:00 PM 10th – 12th Grade Girls Bible Study

Sunday, May 28

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

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