

WYCKOFF REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God, Making Disciples of Jesus, Living Missionally

August 6, 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.

In the summer, our classrooms are: Nursery (Birth-3) and Kids (ages 4-10). Nursery-aged children may be dropped off in the purple room, next to Heneveld Hall, of the Education Building before worship starts. THIS IS A CHANGE due to construction in the nursery room. Kids will start the service with their family and be dismissed to their lesson after the Family Moment, to the youth room.

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.

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.

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.

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

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM Q&A 49 AND 52

Q. How does Christ's ascension to heaven benefit us?

A. First, he is our advocate in heaven in the presence of his Father.

Second, we have our own flesh in heaven as a sure pledge that Christ our head will also take us, his members, up to himself.

Third, he sends his Spirit to us on earth as a corresponding pledge. By the Spirit's power we seek not earthly things but the things above, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand.

Q. How does Christ's return "to judge the living and the dead" comfort you?

A. In all distress and persecution, with uplifted head I confidently await the very judge who has already offered himself to the judgment of God in my place and removed the whole curse from me. Christ will cast all his enemies and mine into everlasting condemnation, but will take me and all his chosen ones to himself into the joy and glory of heaven.

GATHERED BY GOD

GATHERING MUSIC

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 did not overcome it.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

"As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. DANIEL 7:9-10, NRSV

A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened."

*SONG OF PRAISE

"ALMIGHTY GOD"

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

BASED ON THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid.

Lord, our hidden life, our sinful life is not hidden from you. In your mercy, hear us as we bring these things out of the darkness and confess them to you.

Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***SONG OF PRAISE**

DANIEL 7:13-14, NRSV

"I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven.

And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed."

"ALL HAIL CHRIST"

PROMISE OF GRACE

ROMANS 8:34, NRSV

"Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us."

*SONG OF GRACE

"BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE" #682

*SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

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

FAMILY MOMENT: GOD SIGHTINGS

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!

*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

REVELATION 20: 11-15

SERMON

"WE BELIEVE: JUDGE THE LIVING AND THE DEAD"

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.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

"AT THE LAMB'S HIGH FEAST WE SING"

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

"DAUGHTERS OF ZION"

*SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

POSTLUDE

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Please join us after worship under the Welcome Tent for lemonade, cookies and fellowship.

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WEEKLY EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY, Wednesdays at 9:00 am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91413616383?pwd=QmVKd3djNU5mdVYyQlNwQ3crbTNvQT09

Pastor Andy will be experimenting with summer office hours this week and will be available Wednesday through Saturday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST WALK-IN DINNER

If it seems like we just served a walk-in dinner in Hackensack – we did on July 22nd! Family Promise, who sponsors this program, had several open dates this summer. We accepted an additional date, so the next Walk-In Dinner that Wyckoff Reformed Church will prepare and serve is Thursday, August 17th.

Through your support, we are able to continue this much needed ministry to those experiencing food insecurity. We need at least 15 volunteers to assist with the food pickup, the food preparation, and the delivering and serving of the meal. Family Promise says they are now serving about 200 people each

day. Food pickup from ShopRite of Wyckoff and some of the food prep will take place on Wednesday, August 16th. The bulk of the food prep will be done on Thursday, August 17th, and the food is then brought down and served in Hackensack. Three important notes: 1-Servers no longer need to be vaccinated. 2-Usually we serve on a Saturday, but for this next meal we are serving on a Thursday. 3-We can now send four volunteers to serve.

Pray for the people we serve; their needs are great. If you would like to help, please sign up by using the link for the Signup Genius: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0448AFA72CABFF2-volunteers10, or contact either Karen Riether (cell 201-788-5674/kriether@gmail.com) or Lorraine Perry (cell 201-264-4319/lpstreamer@gmail.com). If you want any information about the walk-in dinners or you have any questions, please contact either Karen or Lorraine.

NEW WRC SUMMER BOOK CLUB!

Looking for some summer reading? Join our Summer Book Club! It's pretty easy. Just find yourself a copy of Winn Collier's "Love Big, Be Well" and read it this summer. We'll plan a fun gathering at the end of the summer for the club to gather and discuss the book. Watch for those details or let Pastor Andy know you're in to make sure you get the invite.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DEPOT

The Mission Committee would like your assistance in helping New Hope Ministries in Prospect Park with their School Supply Depot. As mentioned last year this is no ordinary backpack program. They create a shopping experience for parents and students who cannot afford to purchase their supplies at inflationary prices. Each year, they set up a marketplace of the donated items they have received including backpacks, pencils, folders, binders, and everything you can think of to prepare kids for school. They charge a few dollars for the items, discounting them heavily. The School Supply Depot provides affordability and access, without compromising the dignity of their participants. To do this, they need our help. There are a few ways you can partner so that kids can start their first day ready to learn:

- 1. Donate one of the items on their Amazon wish list by clicking the link: https://tinyurl.com/SSDepotWishList.
- The backpack and supplies should be mailed directly to the New Hope Community Ministries gift registry address.
- 2. Make a donation to help them run this program by clicking the link and click "School Supply Depot" in the "Apply My Donation To" drop-down menu: www.newhopecmnj.org/donate.

FAMILY MINISTRY

FAMILY VBS

Our family VBS runs from Monday, August 14-Thursday, August 17 from 5-7:30pm. Can't make every night? That's ok! Just come for as much as you can. We've still got space so invite your family and friends!

VOLUNTEER AT CHCC

Families and youth are encouraged to join us on Tuesday, August 8 from 4-5pm to color, craft, and converse with residents in Heritage Manor of Christian Health Care Center. Contact Sara Christie, sarac@wyckoffreformed.org, if you plan to join us!

CALENDAR

Sunday, August 6

9:30 AM Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship Hour

Tuesday, August 8

4:00PM Youth Group Volunteering

@ CHCC

Wednesday, August 9

9:00AM Zoom Bible Study

Sunday, August 13

9:30 AM Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Fellowship Hour

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