

WYCKOFF REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God, Making Disciples of Jesus, Living Missionally

November 26, 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 (PreK-3rd grade), and Students (4th-7th grade). Nurseryaged 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 walkie-talkie is provided should you need to reach a teacher or director 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

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

"YOU ARE GOOD"

*SONG OF PRAISE

"COME LIGHT OUR HEARTS"

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

For the darkness that still mars our vision, forgive us Lord...
For the desires that still corrupt our hearts, forgive us Lord...
For the fear and doubt that drives us, forgive us Lord...
For the offenses we commit against our neighbor, forgive us Lord...
For our estrangement from creation, forgive us Lord...

In Christ, the kingdom of heaven is near! Lord, awaken us to the light that has come, to the salvation at hand, and our calling to new, resurrection life.

PROMISE OF GRACE

PSALM 130:7-8 CEB

Israel, wait for the Lord!

Because faithful love is with the Lord;
because great redemption is with our God!
He is the one who will redeem Israel
from all its sin.

*SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE

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

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

"FROM A DISTANCE"

By Julie Gold

Soloist: Lyla Kennedy

*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 EXODUS 1:8-14, 2:23-25

SERMON "IN DARKNESS, A LIGHT" Rev. Andy Kadzban

SERMON NOTES

RESPONDING TO GOD

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"DAWNING LIGHT OF OUR SALVATION"

*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

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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

"JOY TO THE WORLD" #92 V. 1,3

*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

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WEEKLY EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY, Wednesdays at 9:00 am https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91413616383?pwd=QmVKd3djNU5mdVYyQlNwQ 3crbTNvQT09

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT DINNER

We will have an Advent Dinner on December 14 from 5:30-7:00pm in Heneveld Hall. The whole church family is invited to a soup potluck dinner! We'll share a meal together and then break into an adult and children's small group experience. This will mirror what the young families do each month and offer everyone a glimpse into our family ministries. We hope you'll join us and bring along your favorite soup or chili to share!

WRC BOOK CLUB

The book choice for November is *The Hidden Life of Trees* by Peter Wohlleben. We will be meeting on Thursday, November 30, 2023 at 3:00 pm. Please note we will begin a half hour earlier than usual that day. There are copies of the book in the library system.

Coming down the pike, we decided on *Mere Christianity* by C.S. Lewis for December/January.

NEW HOPE COMMUNITY MINISTRIES CHRISTMAS MARKET It's that time of year again! We are excited to partner with New Hope Community Ministries Christmas Market for their annual Christmas Market toy drive. This year, their goal is to collect toys by Giving Tuesday, November 27th, and they can only do this with support from local churches!

The New Hope Christmas Market is a program that relieves the financial stress of the holiday season for families in the Prospect Park, Haledon and Hawthorne communities. Participants get to purchase gifts at discounted prices.

A few ways we can support this ministry is to:

- * Purchase a toy that can be delivered directly to New Hope Community Ministries through their Amazon wishlist: https://tinyurl.com/NHCMWishList (Make sure you have it delivered directly to New Hope Community Ministries.)
- * Make a monetary donation through their website https://www.newhopecmnj.org/donate, Select 'Christmas Market' to "apply my donation."
- * Write a check and mail it to: New Hope Community Ministries, 331 North 11th St, Prospect Park, NJ 07508. Note that the check is for the Christmas Market.

Thank you for helping these families. If you have any questions, contact Karen Riether at 201-788-5674 or kriether@gmail.com.

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! Buy your tickets by 12/15 and Nursery School Board Member, Roger Lane, will buy you a drink at the event!



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.

SWEET DREAMS AND STORIES

Once again, the Nursery School is taking part in the Sweet Dreams and Stories mission project which benefits the children at Oasis in Paterson. We would love for our church family to take part!

There are donation trees in the Education Building, one by the nursery school office and two paper trees on the doors at the opposite end of the hallway. There is also a small tree outside the classroom near the Heneveld Hall entrance. Please sponsor a child by taking a tag from the tree. Scan the QR code, which is on the back of the tag, with your phone's camera. This will lead to a Signup Genius where you can choose a child. Keep this tag to use as the gift tag for the wrapped present. You will then purchase a pair of footless pajamas and a non-Christmas themed hardcover book for your sponsored child.

Return the wrapped present with the gift tag attached to the Nursery School office by Monday 12/4. Email Kat with any questions: wrcns@wyckoffreformed.org.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias will be used to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas. Plants can be purchased in memory of, or in tribute to, a family member or loved one. You may then pick up your poinsettia from the sanctuary after Christmas Eve services for you to enjoy at home. Poinsettias are \$20 and can be ordered by calling the office or using the online form at: https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/poinsettia-order-form.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON THE CARILLON

Advent is around the corner! With this holy and joyful time comes a host of special music ringing from the carillon. This year, you can again sponsor your favorite Christmas Carols any day throughout Advent. The calendar for sponsorship and the list of carols can be found here: https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/christmascarillon.

FAMILY MINISTRY

VOLUNTEER AT CHRISTIAN HEALTH CARE CENTER

December 5, 4-5pm - We will color, craft, and converse with residents! Contact Sara, sarac@wyckoffreformed.org, for more details.

BAKE SALE

Please join us on December 10 after worship in Heneveld Hall, where there will be a student-led bake sale for mission trip fundraising! Cash only, please.

STROLL THROUGH THE CHRISTMAS STORY

You won't want to miss our 4th annual Christmas walk on December 10 from 5:00-6:00pm! This beloved event features an interactive walk to hear about Jesus's mission, a live petting zoo, Bach to Rock music station, hot cocoa, cookies, and caroling at 6pm! The outdoor path will be lit and stroller-friendly. All ages are welcome; the more the merrier!

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 - collegeaged students: https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/trips/youthmissiontrip

CALENDAR

Sunday, November 26

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

Wednesday, November 29

9:00AM Zoom Bible Study 3:45PM Scripture & STEM 6:30PM Choir Practice

8:00PM Sr. High Girls Bible Study

Thursday, November 30

3:00PM WRC Book Club

Sunday, December 3

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

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