

WYCKOFF REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God, Making Disciples of Jesus, Living Missionally

May 15, 2022

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.

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.

Masks are recommended for all those in attendance. Note that all those singing and leading from the front are fully vaccinated.

Infants and children (birth-3 years old) may be taken to the nursery in the blue room of our Education Building upon your arrival and before heading to the sanctuary for worship. Once in the sanctuary, families should check in their children using our iPad check-in system before taking a seat. At the beginning of the service, children ages 3 years old through 8th grade will be escorted by their teachers to their classroom in the Education Building. Masks will be recommended for teachers and children, especially those who are at risk. Parents will pick up their child from their classrooms following worship.

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.

Grace to you and peace from God our father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

PSALM 95 NRSV

"O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods."

***SONGS OF PRAISE**

"COME CHRISTIANS JOIN TO SING" #599

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

Our confession is simple: Lord, our lives are loud and distracted. We often don't hear your voice and instead attend to our own desires and our own ways. Lord, your call is costly. When we hear your voice we often don't want or choose to follow it. Because of your steadfast love, forgive us, God. Grow in us an attentive and steadfast spirit that we may always walk in your ways.

PROMISE OF GRACE

PSALM 103:8-14 NRSV

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always accuse,

nor will he keep his anger for ever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins,

nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west,

so far he removes our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion for his children,

so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.

For he knows how we were made;

he remembers that we are dust.

"HE WILL HOLD ME FAST"

FAMILY MOMENT

Sara Christie

OFFERING

We respond to the love and grace of Jesus by giving back our whole lives to God in worship. In this offering, we give our financial gifts as a symbol that all we have comes from God and is to be used for God's glory. Please continue to support us! To give your gift online visit www.wyckoffreformed.org/give or feel free to mail your offering.

OFFERTORY

"WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS"

Jazz Trio

Percussion: Mike Scalise

*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 MATTHEW 7:24-29

SERMON "LIFE ON THE ROCK" Rev. John Algera

SERMON NOTES

RESPONDING TO GOD

*SONG OF RESPONSE

"MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS" #772

*APOSTLES' CREED

We join our voices together with Christians throughout the ages and across the world 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

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NUMBERS 6:24-26

POSTLUDE

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REV. JOHN A. ALGERA

John A. Algera grew up in a Christian family and his parents and church gave him a strong Christian foundation that was reinforced by attending Christian schools. He made public profession of his faith in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior while in high school. He is an ordained Minister of the Word in the Christian Reformed Church of North America. He has a calling and commitment to urban and cross-cultural ministry that is holistic, in word and deed, meeting people's physical, relational, emotional and spiritual needs and has a passion for prayer and spiritual formation into the fullness of Christ. He has a Master of Divinity degree from Calvin Theological Seminary and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Westminster Theological Seminary. He served as pastor of Madison Ave. Christian Reformed Church for 40 years and was involved in many areas of ministry in the city of Paterson and metro NY area. He and his wife Debra have been married for 45 years and continue to live in the neighborhood and minister in the city of Paterson. He is author of Signs & Wonders: A Reformed Look at the Spirit's Ongoing Work and is one of the cofounders of the Global Prayer Safari. He is a Spiritual Director with a certificate from Oasis Ministries for Spiritual Development and a member of Spiritual Directors International. In 2013 he founded Urban Wilderness Renewal which is devoted to awaken an awareness of the presence of God in the ordinary and wilderness places of our lives and in the beauty of God's creation. He loves to fish and kayak finding great peace in and on water. Pastor John and Debra have one son Ben, daughter-in-law Emily and three grandchildren Sara, David and Joshua.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Joyce Wolff, Eileen Black, Barbara Dreyer, Brad Ritter, Lou Martens, John Kerin, Donna, Teagan Christophersen, Patricia Scalise, Cheryl, Tara Thomas, Donny, Larry, Jane Taylor, Rick, Melissa, Cyndi Bach, Gordon Dobson, Michael

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WEEKLY EVENTS

There will be no morning and evening prayers nor bible study this week while Rev. Andy is away. They will resume the week of May 22nd.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WRC NURSERY SCHOOL PLANT SALE

Thank you to everyone who ordered plants from the WRC Nursery School Plant Sale. The plant sale is one of our biggest fundraisers, and was once again a big success. It is so wonderful to have the support of the Church and its members to help our Nursery School continue to thrive!

FAMILY MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS

YOUTH ROOM RENOVATION

We invite you to be a part of our vision for the future of family ministries here at Wyckoff Reformed by joining us in the renovation of our youth space. We welcome you to coffee hour after the service to see how God has generously blessed this project through the generous support of many. However, we are still in need of items to fulfill the hopes of our youth and students. As you feel led by the Spirit, you may give online at www.wyckoffreformed.org/give (please select 'Youth Room Renovation' as the appropriate fund in the drop down box), via checks marked 'Youth Room Renovation', or by texting your dollar amount and YOUTH (\$xxYOUTH) to 201-849-1436. We look forward to witnessing what God will do!

FAMILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We're excited to invite our young families to our very first Family VBS on August 15th, 16th, and 18th from 5:30pm-8:00pm. Dinner will be served followed by rotations through a Bible story, craft, and game. This VBS is open to families with rising preschoolers to rising third graders. (Roughly 3-9 years old). Any caregiver is welcome to participate. Older siblings are welcome to attend with their families. Register at www.wyckoffreformed.org/family-vbs-registration or contact Sara Christie for more information.

MISSION NEWS

THANK YOU!

The Mission Committee would like to thank everyone who donated to the Lighthouse baby shower these past two Sundays. We collected over 1500 diapers, about two dozen homemade blankets, and dozens of outfits, socks, pacifiers and baby wipes. If you would still like to donate items can be dropped off at the church office or placed on the table outside Heneveld Hall. Again, thank you for thinking of the moms and their newborns that come to the Lighthouse for assistance.

RCA GLOBAL MISSION UKRANIAN SUPPORT

RCA Global Mission announced this week that they have raised \$130,104 to date that total keeps rising. They continue to work closely with their partners and missionaries on the ground in Hungary and Romania to help respond to the humanitarian crisis that is unfolding before our very eyes in Ukraine. If you have not yet donated and would like to join in giving to help those in need you can donate online at www.rca.org/give/2022-european-crisis-response or send your check, made out to "Reformed Church in America," and designated "European Crisis Fund" to Reformed Church in America, Attn: Finance Dept., 4500 60th St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512. Thank you for your ongoing support!

CALENDAR

Sunday, May 15

9:30 AM Sunday Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School

Tuesday, May 17

10:00 AM Morning Prayers

Wednesday, May 18

6:30 PM Choir Practice

Thursday, May 12

7:30 PM Evening Prayers 7:30 PM Sr. High Bible Study

Sunday, May 22

9:30 AM Sunday Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Property Committee Meeting

7:00 PM Youth Group @ Ponds

CONTACT US

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