



WYCKOFF

REFORMED CHURCH

WORSHIP GUIDE
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Thanks for joining us for this week's worship service. As you gather this morning, take a moment to notice God's creation around you. Give thanks to God for what you see, hear, smell, and feel. Give thanks for the opportunity to gather together. Notice God's presence and welcome God in.

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 Nursery School entrance of the Education Building, near the playground. Please do not venture into the rest of the building.

A children's lesson will be offered during the sermon in the Purple Classroom of our Education building.
If your child would like to participate, please sign in at the Welcome Tent.
Kids and teachers will wear masks during the lesson.

Bold sections will be read aloud together * Invites you to rise in body or in spirit

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!

LIGHTING THE CANDLE

One: Jesus Christ

All: is the Light of the World.

One: The Light shines in the darkness,

All: and the darkness did not overcome it.

*SONG OF PRAISE

"FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH"

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies,
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight:
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For yourself, best gift divine, to the world so freely given,
agent of God's grand design: peace on earth and joy in heaven,
Christ, our Lord, to you we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

COLOSSIANS 1:15-20

"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross."

***SONG OF PRAISE**

"ALL THY FULLNESS"

You are my fullness, firm and steady;
To lavish mercies, at the ready;
Despite my wand'ring, Despite my weakness
Unrelenting strength and goodness

Holy Holy
God almighty
All thy fullness
Here beside me

You are my courage, truth and wisdom
Guiding hand and purest vision
Hope in fear, joy in vict'r'y
endless song, hope and yearning

I am breaking, you are building
I am empty, you are filling
In my silence, you are speaking
In my dying, ever living

Holy Holy
God almighty
All Thy fullness
Here beside me

Holy Holy
Alleluia
All Thy fullness
Here among us

***PRAYER FOR RENEWAL**

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

Refrain:

O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling
Refrain (x2)

Oh what a Savior
Isn't he wonderful
Sing alleluia Christ is risen
Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all
Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

"O COME TO THE ALTAR"

PROMISE OF GRACE

JOHN 1:10-14

"He was in the world, and the world came into being through him; yet the world did not know him. He came to what was his own, and his own people did not accept him. But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God, who were born, not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth."

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; feel free to mail your offering, or leave it in the offering box in the Welcome Tent.

***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

2 KINGS 4:1-7

SERMON

THE GOD WHO LIVES: ELIJAH AND ELISHA

RESPONDING TO GOD

*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.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

As we celebrate communion this week, we ask you to bring your own grape juice and bread or cracker. For those who are unable to gather their own elements, a small number of pre-packaged elements will be available from the Welcome Tent when you arrive. 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

*SONG OF SENDING

"WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION"

Refrain:

We will feast in the house of Zion

We will sing with our hearts restored

He has done great things, we will say together

We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the LORD our God
We are not consumed, by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up
Refrain

In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength
Refrain

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the Faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom.
Refrain

***SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

"May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you.
May the Lord lift up his presence to you
and give you his peace, now and always. Amen."

POSTLUDE

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