

# WORSHIP GUIDE SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, welcome to Wyckoff Reformed Church!

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If you need to use a restroom, they are available through the right-hand door at the front of the sanctuary.

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

Kids can check in as they arrive for worship. They will be dismissed to go with their teachers for the kids' lesson, which will take place in the Purple Room on the downstairs level of our Education Building.

Kids and their teachers will wear masks. Parents should pick their children at the Purple Room following worship.

Bold sections will be read aloud together

\* Invites you to rise in body or in spirit

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Ruth Ver Hage by her husband, Dic.

# GATHERED BY GOD

#### **GATHERING MUSIC**

"ANCIENT OF DAYS"

#### 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.

### \*INVITATION TO WORSHIP

COLOSSIANS 1:15-16

"The Son 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."

# **\*SONG OF PRAISE**

"REJOICE THE LORD IS KING" #224

Rejoice, the Lord is King: Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks and sing, And triumph evermore. Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When He has purged our stains,
He took his seat above;
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail,
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n:
Lift up your heart,
Lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

## \*PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the image of the invisible God and the firstborn over creation. You are the mighty king over all things and all we could ever want or need. We confess, though, that we have grown tired and tepid. It is hard to be your people and hard to wait for your promises. We grow tired and weak and begin to look elsewhere for hope and assurance. Forgive us, Jesus. Cleanse us of our sin. As we fix our eyes on you may we find wonder once again, and in worshiping you find all we need to endure to the end.

# **\*SONG OF GRACE**

You were the Word at the beginning One with God, the Lord most high Your hidden glory in creation Now revealed in you, our Christ

What a beautiful name it is What a beautiful name it is The name of Jesus Christ, our Lord What a beautiful name it is "WHAT A BEAUTIFUL NAME"

Nothing compares to this What a beautiful name it is The name of Jesus

You didn't want heaven without us So, Jesus you brought heaven down My sin was great, your love was greater What can separate us now

What a wonderful name it is
What a wonderful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ, our Lord
What a wonderful name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a wonderful name it is
The name of Jesus

Death could not hold you, the veil tore before you You silence the boast of sin and grave The heavens are roaring the praise of your glory For you are raised to life again You have no rival, you have no equal Now and forever, God you reign Yours is the kingdom, yours is the glory Yours is the name above all names

What a powerful name it is
What a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus Christ, our Lord
What a powerful name it is
Nothing compares to this
What a powerful name it is
The name of Jesus

### **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 <a href="www.wyckoffreformed.org/give">www.wyckoffreformed.org/give</a>; feel free to mail your offering, or leave it in the offering box at the back of the sanctuary.

# "Lord, Here Am I" The Chancel Choir Greg Nalesnik, Organist and Choir Director

## Crosby / Beck

#### \*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

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory

"SPEAK, O LORD" #755

SCRIPTURE HEBREWS 1:1-4

**SERMON** 

BETTER: WORD Rev. Andy Kadzban

# 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.

#### 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 HYMN

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou artthou my best thought, by day or by night; waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord. Thou my great Father; thine own may I be, "BE THOU MY VISION" #859

thou in me dwelling and I one with thee.

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; thou mine inheritance, now and always: thou and thou only first in my heart, high King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

#### \*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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