



# *The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*



October 10, 2021

Order of Worship  
10:00 am

\* - Please rise in body or in spirit

## *Words of Welcome*

*The Community Reformed Church of Colonie welcomes you. We are a community bound together and energized by faith, love, and commitment to Jesus Christ. And even though you may not yet share that faith, love, and commitment, you are most welcome to be with us, to belong here, to experience what we're about. Then, if you are attracted and persuaded by what you see and hear, we hope you'll want to set down roots here long-term. And even if you don't, you'll always be a friend. Thank you for worshipping with us.*

### FOR CONTEMPLATION

If you love friends, you will serve your friends.  
If you love community, you will serve your community.  
If you love money, you will serve your money.  
And if you love only yourself, you will serve only yourself.  
And you will have only yourself.

~ Stephen Colbert

PRELUDE “Breathe”

WELCOME

THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT “Sanctuary”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from William Ogren’s poem  
“The Congregation”

A congregation is a special group; their backgrounds are unique.  
*They're members of a Church of God of which they gladly speak.*

They come together Sundays to observe the Sabbath day.  
*They share a common trust in God that never goes away.*

They come from every walk of life. They worship in accord.  
*Regardless of their status, they unite to praise the Lord.*

Many people when they enter, seeking haven from their strife,  
*meet a friendly congregation and begin a brand-new life.*

Community Reformed is special; we're alive by any test.  
*We welcome all within our walls and help put cares to rest.*

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HYMN “Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies (562)”

*1 Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise,  
triumph over shades of night:  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear!*

*2 Dark and cheerless is the dawn  
till your glories shine on me;  
joyless is the day's return  
till your mercy's beams I see:  
as they inward light impart,  
cheer my eyes, and warm my heart.*

*3 Visit then this soul of mine,  
pierce the gloom of sin and grief;  
fill me, Radiance divine,  
scatter all my unbelief:  
more and more yourself display,  
shining to the perfect day!*

## THE DEDICATION OF THE VESTIBULE CABINETS AND COAT RACK

**In Memory of William Kress and  
William and Carolyn Ogren**

Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons in one God,  
*To you we dedicate these renovations.*

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our Father in heaven,  
*To you we dedicate these renovations in memory of William  
Kress.*

Son of God, the only begotten of the Father, Head of the Body, which  
is the Church; Head over all things to the Church; Prophet, Priest, and  
King of your people,  
*To you we dedicate these renovations in memory of Carolyn  
Ogren.*

God the Holy Spirit, proceeding from the Father and the Son: given to  
be our abiding Teacher, Sanctifier, and Comforter; Lord and Giver of  
Life,  
*To you we dedicate these renovations in memory of William  
Ogren*

And now, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we set apart these  
cabinets and this coat rack to the glory of God in the worship of him

who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. In the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

***Amen.***

## TAIZÉ MEDITATION “Lord, Be Glorified”

***In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.  
In our lives, Lord, be glorified today.***

***In our homes, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.  
In our homes, Lord, be glorified today.***

***In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.  
In your church, Lord, be glorified today.***

***In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.  
In your world, Lord, be glorified today.***

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

If we're honest, compassion does not come easy to us, God; we see others who struggle;

***those without homes, or food;***

those dying from curable diseases, simply because they can't get access to the medicine they need;

***those who have lost loved ones through death or circumstance, and long for human companionship;***

those who are persecuted and judged because of their difference;

***those who are facing the awful consequences of bad choices they have made;***

and those who must live with the consequences of choices that others make that impact their lives;

***It all just feels like it's too much, and there's nothing we can do.***

But, we know that's not true – we know that compassion is enough;

***that when we allow ourselves to feel, compassion will lead us to do what we can, and that this will make a difference.***

And so, we pray first for ourselves:

***that you would soften our hearts, and still our fears, and lead us into those acts of compassion that we are capable of doing.***

And then we pray for all of these others whose lives can be changed through small, simple acts of care;

***that you would disturb us, and others like us, until we finally step up and play our part in the saving of your world;***

and that enough of us would answer your call,

***that the needs of the hurting ones may be met.  
In Jesus' name, Amen.***

**TAIZÉ MEDITATION** “Come and Fill Our Hearts” (3 times)

***Come and fill our hearts with your peace.  
You alone, O Lord, are holy.  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace,  
Alleluia!***

**ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS** - based on John 1:9

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** – Melody York

**DEACON'S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD** – Kevin Bottini

**ANTHEM** “Praise You”

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSON** Mark 10:17-31

As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will

have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

**THE MORNING MESSAGE** “What’s Most Important In Your Life?”

**HYMN** “Shine Jesus Shine”

*1. Lord, the light of your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness, shining  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us  
Shine on me, shine on me*

*(Refrain)*

*Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
Set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth your word  
Lord, and let there be light*

*2.Lord, I come to your awesome presence  
From the shadows into your radiance  
By the blood I may enter your brightness  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness  
Shine on me, shine on me*

*Refrain*

*3.As we gaze on your kingly brightness  
So our faces display your likeness  
Ever changing from glory to glory  
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story  
Shine on me, shine on me*

*Refrain*

**ELDER'S PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE – Marissa Lombardo**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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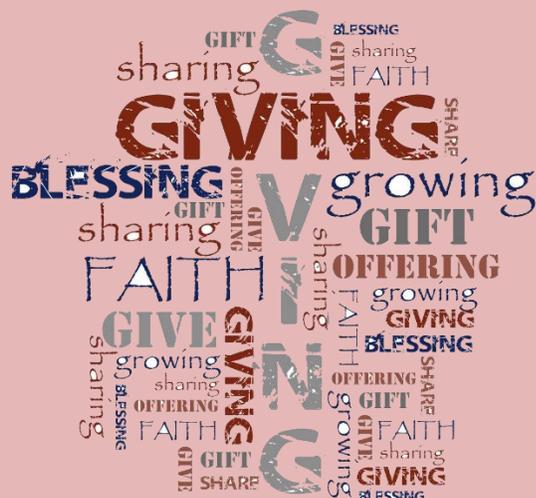
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## GENERAL NOTICES

**Today, Sunday School** for children in grades 3-6 meets in the Gathering Room from 9:00 to 9:45 am.

**Monday, October 11 - Community Reformed's Quilt Group** will meet 2:00-4:00 PM in the sanctuary to construct walker bags and lap quilts for the residents of Shaker Place Nursing Home. Our meeting will include time for preparing and sewing the items and will conclude with devotions. If you have them, please bring a sewing machine, thread, and any fabric you have appropriate for the project. Measuring and cutting tools will be provided. Even if you have no sewing experience, or you do not have a sewing machine, please feel welcome to come and help. For more information if you need it, contact Lou Ann Connelly at [louannconne@nycap.rr.com](mailto:louannconne@nycap.rr.com)

**Tuesday, October 12**

**The Gathering Zoom Devotions - 4 to 4:30 pm**

**Thursday, October 14**

**The Gathering Zoom Devotions - 6:30 to 7 pm**

**The Wired Word Bible Study - 7:00-8:00pm**

**The Community Outreach Team** of Community Reformed Church is seeking volunteers to assist with supplying dinners to the Overflow Shelter at the First Lutheran Church in Albany. We supply the shelter with dinners two Wednesday's a month. For further information and to sign-up to volunteer, please follow this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEA92AA6FAC43-overflow2>

If you have any questions contact Tina Bottini at [tinambo85@gmail.com](mailto:tinambo85@gmail.com) or Vicki Lane at [vlane1020@gmail.com](mailto:vlane1020@gmail.com) .

**October's Mission of the Month** is the cafe and cupboard at [South End Children's Cafe!](#) Here's a glimpse of where your donations can go:

**\$25 – One Bag of Love** – bag of staple groceries, produce and toiletries for 1 week for a family of five

**\$50 – One Community Cupboard Restock** – we have two Community Cupboards outside the Children's Card (visited 50-100 times a day!) to share nonperishable good, groceries, produce and other essentials with our neighbors

**\$100 – Two Community Cupboard Restocks** – restock both cupboards with free essential groceries and healthy food

**\$300 – Fresh fruit for one month** – fresh fruit salad is served to each child every day

**\$600 – One child's meal for one year** – includes school snack and dinner

### **Community Reformed's Youth Group**

The church's youth group is collecting great to new quality children's books for Grassroot Givers now through the end of October. Book donations can be given to Sarah Huiest or placed in the collection bin at the back of the church.

**Youth Volunteers Needed!** – We are seeking individuals to help deliver the Children's Message on Sunday mornings during worship. There is a very helpful web site you can use.

**Sunday School Teacher** - We are in need of a Sunday school teacher for children in grades 3-6. There is a curriculum for you to follow. If interested, please speak to Sarah Huiest ([crccsarah@gmail.com](mailto:crccsarah@gmail.com)).

# ZOOM

To join in Devotions, The Wired Word and Sunday Worship via Zoom, use the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6880887155>

Meeting ID: 688 088 7155

By Phone: 1-646-558-8656

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## Daily Scripture Readings

Monday - Joel 2:21-27  
Tuesday - Job 23:1-9, 16-17  
Wednesday - Amos 5:6-7, 10-15  
Thursday - Psalm 90:12-17  
Friday - Hebrews 4:12-16  
Saturday - Mark 10:17-31  
Sunday - Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

### *Household Prayer: Morning*

Help us, God,  
as we rise this day,  
to seek out your will  
as we enjoy the good  
and suffer through the bad.  
Prove us, O God, and try us  
so that we can learn the steps we need to take  
to follow your ways. Amen.

### *Household Prayer: Evening*

When I felt like a dejected child,  
rejected and lost,  
your comfort surrounded me,  
and I felt as if I was home.  
Thank you for your embracing heart,  
for making me feel special and loved,  
for helping me up,  
and for saying that you are my brother,  
my Savior, my friend.  
Thank you, Jesus. Amen.



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