



# *The Day of Pentecost*



June 5, 2022  
Order of Worship – 9:00 am

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\* - 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**

“Some people see things as they are and ask why?  
I dream things that never were and ask why not?”

~George Bernard Shaw

**PRELUDE** “You Are Mine”

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

### THE ELDER'S PRAYER – Ana Crosbourn

### INTROIT “Holy Ground”

### CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather here, in this place and time,  
to set aside our routines,  
and the values and agendas  
of our society,  
and open our minds, hearts, and lives to God.  
We come in response to God's call  
and in expectation of a new encounter  
with God's Spirit.

*Come, Holy Spirit,  
Make your Presence known among us,  
lead us into a deeper knowledge and love of God,  
and use our worship to transform us a little more  
into Christlikeness.*

*Amen*

### \*HYMN “Spirit of Gentleness”

#### **REFRAIN:**

*Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,  
blow through the wilderness calling and free,  
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,  
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.*

*You moved on the waters,  
you called to the deep,  
then you coaxed up the mountains  
from the valleys of sleep;  
and over the eons you called to each thing:  
"Awake from your slumbers  
and rise on your wings."*

## **REFRAIN**

*You swept through the desert,  
you stung with the sand,  
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;  
and when they were blinded  
with idols and lies,  
then you spoke through your prophets  
to open their eyes.*

## **REFRAIN**

*You call from tomorrow,  
you break ancient schemes.  
From the bondage of sorrow  
all the captives dream dreams;  
our women see visions,  
our men clear their eyes.  
With bold new decisions  
your people arise.*

## **REFRAIN**

## **PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION**

God, on this day we remember the Pentecost moment.  
The world has become something very different  
from your dream of love and care for all  
We have lost sight of the abundance we could enjoy  
if we worked together for the greater good,  
instead of holding on to as much as we can grab.  
But Jesus, you knew that there was a better way,  
that God's reign of love was possible after all.  
You also knew we couldn't do this alone;  
but you had a plan,  
a gift to us of the Spirit.

*Spirit, we open our hearts to you today,  
just as the disciples did on that Pentecost morning.  
We praise you for the vision of God's reign of love;  
And we praise you for the fire you stir up in us*

*to make this vision a reality  
in every corner of our world.  
Thank you for being our guide on this journey  
our voice of comfort  
and our passion for a better world.  
Amen.*

**TAIZÉ MEDITATION** “Holy Spirit Come to Us” (3 times)

*Holy Spirit, come to us,  
Kindle in us the fire of your love  
Holy Spirit, come to us,  
Holy Spirit, come to us*

**ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS**

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

**SOLO** “Holy Spirit”

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSON** Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What

does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

**THE MORNING MESSAGE** "Something Better Than This"

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**THE CALL TO COMMUNION**

We have one Lord, one God, one Savior.

*The Holy Spirit makes Christ real to us, binding us in one, as we share him together.*

This is something we do eagerly.

*Christ welcomes us here.*

This is something we do seriously.

*For this is the moment of greatest intimacy when we take the symbols of the body and blood of the risen Lord.*

*I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the presence of the Lord"*

## **\*APOSTLE'S CREED**

*I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.*

*I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into Heaven, and is seated on 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.*

## **\*PEACE**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts since as members of one body you were called to peace (Colossians 3:15). The peace of Christ be with you.

*And also with you.*

## **\*THE OFFERING**

### **\*OUR PRAISE TO GOD (THE DOXOLOGY)**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Lift up your hearts.

*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

## THE PREFACE

HYMN "Holy Lord" (3 times)

Dona Nobis Pacem

***Holy, holy, Lord God almighty,  
your glory fills the earth, Lord God of hosts.***

## THE MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT

The Holy Supper which we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, of communion, and of hope: We remember with joy the grace by which you created all things and made us in your own image.

***We rejoice that you called a people in covenant to be a light to the nations.***

Yet we rebelled against your will.

***In spite of the prophets and pastors sent forth to us, we continued to break your covenant.***

In the fullness of time, you sent your only Son to save us.

***Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of your favored one, Mary, sharing our life, Christ reconciled us to your love.***

At the Jordan your Spirit descended upon Him, anointing Him to preach the good news of your reign.

***He healed the sick and fed the hungry, manifesting the power of your compassion.***

He sought out the lost and broke bread with sinners, witnessing the fullness of your grace.

***We beheld His glory.***

On the night before He died for us, Jesus broke bread and shared the cup with His disciples.

***After the meal our Lord was arrested, abandoned by His followers and beaten.***

He stood trial and was put to death on a cross.

***Having emptied himself in the form of a servant, and being obedient even to death, He was raised from the dead and exalted as Lord of heaven and earth.***

Through him you bestow the gift of your Spirit, uniting your church, empowering its mission and leading us into the new creation you have promised.

***By His death, resurrection and ascension, Jesus Christ has obtained for us the life-giving Spirit who unites us all in one body. We therefore receive this Supper in true and unconditional love.***

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE

## COMMUNION PRAYER

***Gracious God, we celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Grant that in praise and thanksgiving we may be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight, that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:***

***Christ has died!  
Christ is risen!  
Christ will come again.***

## "GLORIFY YOUR NAME"

Glorify Your Name

***Father, we love you, we worship and adore you,  
Glorify your name in all the earth;  
Glorify your name, glorify your name,  
Glorify your name in all the earth.***

***Jesus, we love you, we worship and adore you,  
Glorify your name in all the earth;  
Glorify your name, glorify your name,  
Glorify your name in all the earth.***

***Spirit, we love you, we worship and adore you,  
Glorify your name in all the earth;  
Glorify your name, glorify your name,  
Glorify your name in all the earth.***

## COMMUNION



## THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

*Since, dear God, in this place at this table, we have touched, we have tasted, we have heard and we have seen the signs of your love for us, grant that we may go away from this house filled with our love for you and overflowing with your love for those who are around us and who share our lives. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.*

HYMN 632 "The Lord's Prayer"

MALOTTE

*Our Father, which 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 the evil:  
for thine is the kingdom, and the power  
and the glory, forever, Amen.  
Amen.*

\*BENEDICTION

\*THE IRISH BLESSING

*May the road rise to meet you,  
May the wind be ever at your back,  
May the sunshine warm upon your face,  
And the rains fall soft upon your fields.  
And until we meet again, and until we meet again,  
May the God who loves us all  
Hold you in the palm of His hand.*

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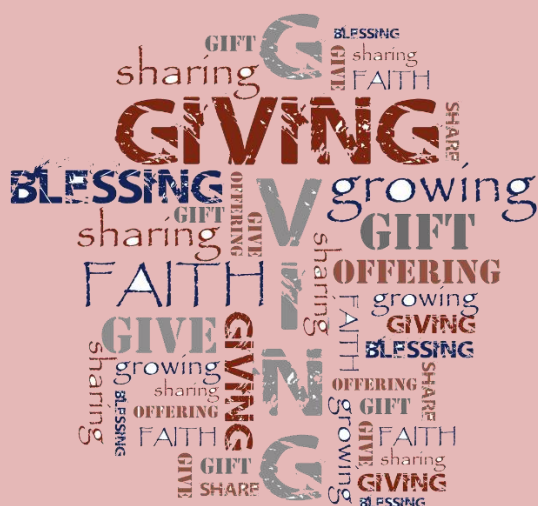
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## GENERAL NOTICES

### Monday, June 6

"Shirley's Shawls" - the prayer shawl ministry of the Community Reformed Church of Colonie will meet in the gathering room at 6:00 pm on Monday, June 6th. Anyone interested in being part of this ministry is welcome to join us. Please contact Linda Murphy with any questions, [lindamurph98@aol.com](mailto:lindamurph98@aol.com).

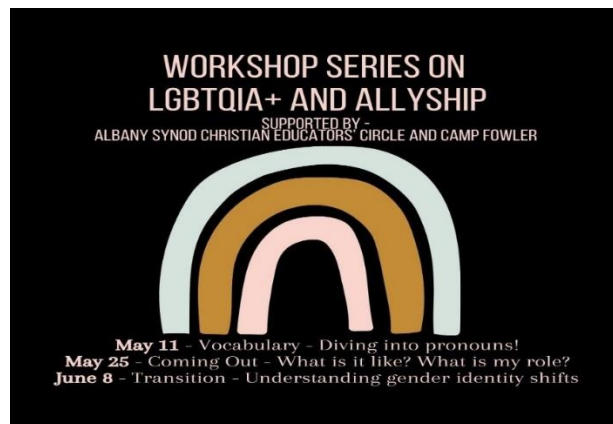
### Tuesday, June 7

The Gathering Zoom Devotions - 4:00 to 4:30 pm

### Thursday, June 9

The Gathering Zoom Devotions - 6:30 to 7:00 pm

**Camp Fowler** - It's not too early to plan for summer 2022. If any children are interested in attending Camp Fowler this summer, there are scholarships available. Contact Doris Neese at 518-456-6239 for further information.

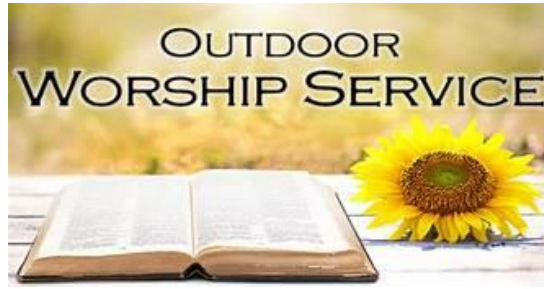


Throughout these workshops we will exercise Christ's call for hospitality, and welcoming all of God's people to the table. This goal aims to encourage understanding, empathy, and wondering between all our siblings in Christ - truly an embodiment of hospitality.

### **The workshops will be:**

Every other Wednesday Night, at 7 pm over Zoom.  
They will span 1.5 hours and will have a presenter from Room for All leading, Mitchel Leet.

If you are interested in joining this workshop series, or simply one or two of the workshops, please contact: Abby Norton-Levering [nortonlevering@gmail.com](mailto:nortonlevering@gmail.com)



May 29 thru September 4, 2022  
9 AM

This service will also be livestreamed on Zoom and posted later on YouTube.

**During the summer, the outdoor service will be Zoom only:**

- if the outdoor temperature is below 55 degrees
- if there is precipitation or the threat of precipitation
- if there is wind interference with the sound system
- or other weather related conditions that would interfere with conducting a worshipful service.

The decision for worship location will be made by the participating worship leadership one hour prior to the service and the congregation will be notified by email.

**Nursery Provider Needed!** We have been blessed to have Emma York take care of our youngest parishioners this year. She has been a ray of sunshine during a challenging year. Next year will see exciting changes for Emma, as she heads off to college. We are, therefore, seeking a new individual to protect and care for children ages 3 and younger during worship services beginning in August. Applicants need to be caring, reliable, responsible, punctual, have prior childcare experience, and be at least 17 years of age. A background check and online training will be required. Interested individuals should contact Sarah Huiest, ([crccsarah@gmail.com](mailto:crccsarah@gmail.com)) for more information.

## **In-person Worship Guidelines**

Even though you may be vaccinated, mask wearing continues to be encouraged to protect our vulnerable and medically compromised worshippers. We ask you to respect the distance and comfort levels of others.

Reminder: If you are feeling under the weather, please remain home and participate in worship via Zoom

### **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

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### **Daily Scripture Readings**

Monday - Proverbs 8:1-4

Tuesday - Proverbs 8:22-31

Wednesday - Psalm 8:1-2

Thursday - Psalm 8:3-9

Friday - Romans 5:1-5

Saturday - John 16:12-15

Sunday - Trinity Sunday

### ***Household Prayer: Morning***

Gracious God,

we thank you for the peace of good sleep  
and for keeping us safe throughout the night.

Let this new day be a time of praise and joy  
as we go out to meet you in our sisters and brothers.

We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

### ***Household Prayer: Evening***

Merciful Lord, as night comes to this house,

we thank you for the challenges  
and accomplishments of this day.

Give our hearts and minds the comfort

now to rest in your care,

trusting that whatever tomorrow brings,  
your hand will be ready to catch us if we fall.

Amen.



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