

The Seventeenth Sunday After

Pentecost



October 2, 2022

Order of Service 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 can't forgive and forget, pick one"

~ Robert Brault

PRELUDE "We Walk By Faith"

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER'S PRAYER - Marissa Lombardo

THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT "Holy Ground"

CALL TO WORSHIP

We praise you, God, for small, insignificant things

that through faithfulness and perseverance, bring about significant transformations.

Let us worship God. Amen.

* HYMN 430 "All Who Love and Serve Your City"

All who love and serve your city, all who bear its daily stress, all who cry for peace and justice, all who curse and all who bless.

In your day of loss and sorrow, in your day of helpless strife, honor, peace and love retreating, seek the Lord, who is your life.

In your day of wealth and plenty, wasted work and wasted play, call to mind the word of Jesus, "Work ye yet while it is day."

Risen Lord, shall yet the city be the city of despair? Come today, our Judge, our Glory; be its name, "The Lord is there!"

THE RESPONSIVE READING

When injustice looms large, remind us that small, daily Gospel obediences reveal the infinite wideness of God's mercy, and strengthen all whose lives of daily justice bring grace into the world;

When justice delays, and nothing seems to change, remind us that faith and perseverance manifest God's unchanging love, and inspire all whose long term faithfulness slowly, but inexorably heals the world;

When the call of Your Reign is difficult and daunting remind us that life is found

in giving ourselves for You and for others, and sustain all whose constant sacrifices bring joy and goodness to the world;

O God, though our faith is mustard-seed-small, we offer it to you,

that we may daily play our little part in your saving, transforming purposes. Amen.

TAIZÉ MEDITATION "Sing Praises" (3 times)

Sing praises, all you peoples, sing praises to the Lord.
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THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

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TAIZÉ MEDITATION "Come, O Lord and Set Us Free" (3 times)

Come, O Lord, and set us free; Give your people peace. Come, O Lord, and set us free; Come, Lord Jesus, come.

THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE 2 Corinthians 3:18 and 5:17

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – Lisa McGee

DEACON'S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Kevin Ingalls

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.

SOLO "Let All Things Now Living"

SCRIPTURE LESSON Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4

The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw. O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen? Or cry to you "Violence!" and you will not save? Why do you make me see wrong-doing and look at trouble? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law becomes slack and justice never prevails. The wicked surround the righteous— therefore judgment comes forth perverted.

I will stand at my watchpost, and station myself on the rampart; I will keep watch to see what he will say to me, and what he will answer concerning my complaint. Then the Lord answered me and said: Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so that a runner may read it. For there is still a vision for the appointed time; it speaks of the end, and does not lie. If it seems to tarry, wait for it; it will surely come, it will not delay. Look at the proud! Their spirit is not right in them, but the righteous live by their faith.

THE MORNING MESSAGE "We Endure By Faith""

***HYMN** "Amazing Grace"

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come; 'tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

*BENEDICTION

***THE IRISH BLESSING**

May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be ever at your back,
May the sun shine 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.
Amen.

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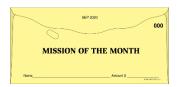
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Special Offering Envelopes -

There are two special offering envelopes for September

You may make your offering to these with the envelope provided, mail in the offering to the Church office or through Paypal. If you have any questions, contact Lori Coté at crcclori@gmail.com.





GENERAL NOTICES

Today, Choir Rehearsal – Choir will rehearse before (9:00-9:30) and after (11:15-12:00) worship. We will continue that rehearsal schedule through the fall.

Monday, October 3

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

Wednesday, October 5

7:00 pm - Worship Team Meeting

Thursday, October 6

The Wired Word Bible Study - 7:00-8:00pm Lesson - "Inflation Likely to be a 'Major Headwind' for Consumers This Summer"

Friday, October 9

Al-Anon - 7:30-8:30 pm meets in the Gathering Room.

Newcomer Orientation

Individuals interested in affiliating with the Community Reformed Church of Colonie are invited to participate in the Newcomer Orientation Sessions offered by Rev. Cornwell either on Sunday mornings during the Sunday school hour (8:50 – 9:40 am) or at a mutually agreed upon time during the week. There will be six sessions beginning Sunday, October 9th. These sessions will include discussions about Reformed Christianity, The Reformed Church in America, The Worshipping Community, as well as a spiritual gifts assessment. These classes are also available to individuals who do not wish to affiliate with the church but who would simply like to know more about our denomination and church. For additional information, please speak to Rev. Cornwell.

Sunday School Teacher Needed!!

We are looking for an individual to teach our 3rd-6th graders this fall. A curriculum is provided. Class meets from 9-9:45am on Sunday mornings beginning in September. See Sarah Huiest (crccsarah@gmail.com) for more information.

Church Calendar -

Committees and groups, please help us to be sure our Church Calendar is up to date with any meetings or activities that are planned. This way we won't have time and space conflicts. Contact the Church Office at crcclori@gmail.com to have your date added to the calendar. If this will be a Zoom meeting we will also need to know and we will add you to the schedule for Zoom meetings.

The CRCC Men's Group is getting back together this fall!

You are invited to join the men of the church for dessert and coffee/tea, and some conversation about our common Christian faith.

The first gathering will be on Wednesday, October 12 from 6:30 - 7:30PM at the church. We will continue meeting on the second Wednesday of each month.

Please RSVP using the Sign Up Genius link,

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEA92AA6FAC43-thecrcc , to let us know if you plan to attend."

If you would like more information, please contact Mark Kaercher (markkaercher1971@gmail.com), B.J. Todd (toddb@sysmex.com), or Mike York (32myork@gmail.com)



November 6

On this special Sunday, our church family gives thanks to God for "all the saints from whom their labors rest". Through prayer, song, and the lighting of candles we honor those who we dearly love and will always remember.

Fall is Here...Winter is sadly around the corner We need assistance in getting the Outdoor Maintenance of the Church done before the cold gets here Please Help!!!

Ever wonder how you could assist in helping spruce up around the church?

Below is a list of areas that need attention.

For a more detailed description visit the Church website.

Contact Lori Cote (crcclori@gmail.com), or Kevin Ingalls (kki243@verizon.net)

Deacon of Grounds and Maintenance with any questions.

Fencing around HVAC units

Clear Drainage ditch along Watervliet Shaker Road

Clear all brush and weed growth along back wall of Sanctuary

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 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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Prayer E-Chain

Please email prayer requests to:

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DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday - Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7
Tuesday - Psalm 66:1-12
Wednesday - 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15
Thursday - Psalm 111
Friday - 2 Timothy 2:8-15
Saturday - Luke 17:11-19
Sunday - Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Household Prayer: Morning

Silent sunrise sanctuary—
a dome of shelter for the birth of day.

Birds and bugs begin—
an opposite of lullaby proclaiming life anew.

We wake in wonder—
discerning between dream and daylight a mystery ends, another begins.

Sunshine scatters shadows—
a heathery view melting gray morning mist.

Never ceasing, never ending—
God's mercies, new each morning. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

From dusk to dark
to full moon brightness
blue night sky speckling of stars and planets
white lights forever patterned read and known
but you knew them first and through them
allowed yourself to become known
Thank You. Praise You and Goodnight.
Amen.

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