



# The Transfiguration of Jesus



February 27, 2022  
Order of Service – 10:00 am

## 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

“To be a person of faith means three things:  
You're rooted in the past,  
you are transformed in the present...  
and you have glorious vision of the future.”

~Tony Campolo

PRELUDE “My Good Lord's Done Been Here”

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER'S PRAYER – Linda Murphy

## THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT “Make Me a Servant”

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

You are the pre-dawn glow  
*that promises yet another new beginning;*

You are the still dusk  
*that brings rest to a weary world;*

You are the prophecy  
*of God's life-giving Word inscribed on our hearts;*

You are the law  
*that finds its fulfilment in love;*

You are the mountain  
*where the presence of God blazes and burns;*

You are the valley  
*where the face of God peeks out from suffering eyes;*

You are the glory that we long for,  
*the whispered rumor of a different order,*  
the Shining One who transfigures all things.  
*You are the One we worship. Amen.*

HYMN “Guide My Feet”

*Guide my feet while I run this race.  
Guide my feet while I run this race.  
Guide my feet while I run this race,  
For I don't want to run this race in vain!*

*Hold my hand while I run this race.  
Hold my hand while I run this race.  
Hold my hand while I run this race,  
For I don't want to run this race in vain!*

***Stand by me while I run this race.  
Stand by me while I run this race.  
Stand by me while I run this race,  
For I don't want to run this race in vain!***

***I'm your child while I run this race.  
I'm your child while I run this race.  
I'm your child while I run this race,  
For I don't want to run this race in vain!***

## **THE RESPONSIVE READING**

It's not that we don't want to change, God,  
***it's just that change is really hard;***  
the challenges of the world threaten to overwhelm us,  
***the struggles of living each day come close to being too much,***  
and so we are tempted to grab the quick-fix, the easy solution,  
***and inevitably, we are disappointed.***

So we pray,  
reach into our hearts with courage and hope,  
***to embrace the tough transformations,  
to make the real and lasting changes,  
to seek the truly good answers;***  
for the sake of our families and communities,  
our countries and our continents,  
our people and our planet,  
***for the sake of our very selves;***

May we find together and alone,  
the strength to climb the mountain  
***and see your glory;***  
***and then to walk to the cross,***  
through the pain,  
***until we know the joy and glory  
of resurrection. Amen.***

## **TAIZÉ MEDITATION "The Lord is My Light" (3 times)**

***The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:  
in God I trust, in God I trust.***

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sometimes it feels like it doesn't really matter, God,  
*if we ignore the needs of our spouse,  
or shout at the kids unnecessarily,  
or elaborate on the truth just a little, so we look better,  
or waste the resources our world so generously gives;*

sometimes it just feels silly to worry about making things beautiful,  
*to keep reaching for the best of the good, and not just the  
easy, to stay true to what is true.*

What difference does it really make, in the big scheme of things,  
*if we just take the easy way, the not-bad-but-could-be-better  
way?*

And then we come here, and we remember. You do not change to  
accommodate our good-enoughness, our that'll-do-ness;  
*You do not darken the sun just a little, so we won't feel so  
dull, or switch off some of the stars to keep us from feeling  
small.*

You are holy – whole-y – one and complete and God;  
*You are Light and Life and Love and Fullness – you can be no  
other; You are Beauty and Goodness and Truth – brilliant and  
dazzling;*

And it is we who must change, we who come to this place to worship,  
*It is we who must choose to gaze on your holiness & beauty,  
and be changed into glory.*

*And, so here we are, God. Please, show us yourself.  
Amen.*

## TAIZÉ MEDITATION “Jesus, Remember Me” (3 times)

*Jesus, remember me  
when you come into your Kingdom.  
Jesus, remember me  
when you come into your Kingdom.*

## THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – Melody York

DEACON'S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Ellen Buono

## 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.*

ANTHEM “Make a Joyful Noise”

## THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah” —not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

THE MORNING MESSAGE “The Big Picture”

**HYMN 642 "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"**

*1 I want Jesus to walk with me;  
I want Jesus to walk with me;  
all along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*2 In my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
in my trials, Lord, walk with me;  
when my heart is almost breaking,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

*3 When I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when I'm in trouble, Lord, walk with me;  
when my head is bowed in sorrow,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.*

**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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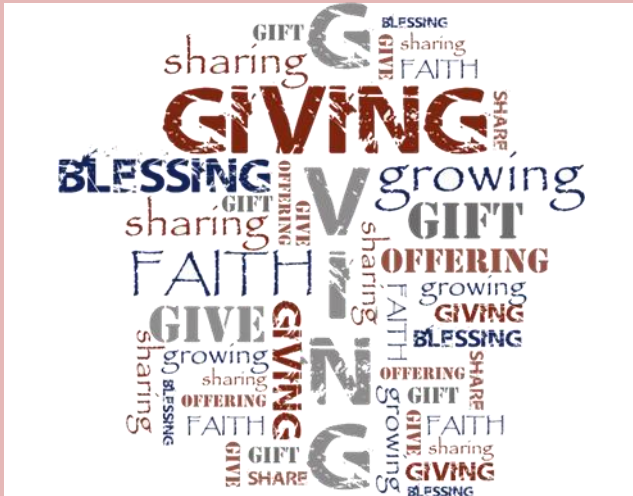
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## GENERAL NOTICES

### Monday, February 28

"Shirley's Shawls" - 6:00 pm. The prayer shawl ministry of the Community Reformed Church of Colonie will meet in the gathering room at 6:00 pm on Monday, February 28th. There will also be an option to join the meeting via zoom. Anyone interested in being part of this ministry is welcome to join us. Please contact Linda Murphy with any questions (518-368-8155).

### Tuesday, March 1

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

### Wednesday, March 2

Ash Wednesday Service - 7 pm

### Thursday, March 3

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

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

### Friday, March 4

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

### Saturday, March 5

Women's Bible Study - Our next meeting will be this Saturday, March 5, 2022 at 09:30 AM at the church.



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

**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.



**Ash Wednesday Worship**  
**March 2**  
**7PM**

*You are dust, and to dust you will return.*

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten season. Lent is the 40 days (excluding Sundays) that come before the crucifixion of our Lord. It is a time of penance, reflection, self-examination and spiritual redirection - a time of darkness ending with the rising of the Son. The introspection of Lent allows us to celebrate the full glory of Easter morning.

For those that will be **worshipping in person**, please register at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEA92AA6FAC43-ashwednesday> by March 1st.

If you have any questions contact Lori in the church office at [crcclori@gmail.com](mailto:crcclori@gmail.com).

**Day Care Fundraiser** – Our Day Care Center is partnering with Krauses’s Homemade Candy of Albany, for our spring fundraiser. The fundraiser is filled with delicious treats for your friends, family, and co-workers!

The Day Care makes a 50% profit on all candy sales. This will go to purchasing some fun outdoor equipment and other fun things.

On the back table there are colored candy sheets and order forms. You can also use Krause’s web page, (<https://krausesfr.wordpress.com>). The website has photos and descriptions of all the items. There is also an electronic spreadsheet version of the order form to use to record orders and email them to Carol Grasso at [cgrasso6@yahoo.com](mailto:cgrasso6@yahoo.com).

All checks should be made out to Colonie Community Day Care. Please return completed sheets and payment by Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Candy will be in by the last week in March.

Thank You!!

## 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 - Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18  
Tuesday - Psalm 27:1-6  
Wednesday - Psalm 27:7-14  
Thursday - Philippians 3:17-4:1  
Friday - Luke 13:31-35  
Saturday - Luke 9:28-43  
Sunday - Second Sunday in Lent

### *Household Prayer: Morning*

Loving God, all night I slept in your shadow,  
sheltered by you.  
As I enter into the gift of this day,  
I trust that you are with me.  
May I see signs and wonders of your  
presence in the world today,  
for you alone are God.  
I ask that this day afford me opportunities to celebrate  
and share with others the abundance  
of your grace and love.  
Help me to be open to all people you bring my way,  
for you yourself make no distinctions,  
but are Lord of all.  
In Christ's name, I pray. Amen.

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

God, my dwelling place, as the shadows fall, I rest in you.

Thank you for the faith that held me fast this day.

Thank you, too, for every person who offered me grace,  
and for those to whom I could also show grace.

I pray this night for all who long to see a sign of your power  
in the darkness that surrounds them.

Be near to them and show them your salvation.

And in the morning when I rise,  
give me your work to do for another day;  
in Jesus' name. Amen.



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