



*Third Sunday
after Pentecost
June 9, 2024*

Order of Service – 10:00 am

Please tune your radio to station 88.9 FM

Please join in the worship liturgy by reading the sections in ***bold italics***.

* - Please rise in body or in spirit

Words of Welcome

“It is the mission of the Community Reformed Church of Colonie to love the Lord our God with all our hearts, with all our souls and with all of our minds; and to love our neighbors as ourselves.”

(Matthew 22:37-40)

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.

The Community Reformed Church of Colonie welcomes you,
and thanks you for worshipping with us.

CONTEMPLATION

To be a Christian is to live *dangerously, honestly, freely* – to step in the name of love as if you may land on nothing, yet to keep stepping because the something that sustains you no empire can give you and no empire can take away.

Cornel West from Democracy Matters

PRELUDE “Power of Your Love”

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

PRAYER QUILTS - We have two prayer quilts out this morning. One for Marcia, Karen Latta’s mother for her recovery after hip surgery and one for Angela, Karl Coté’s sister who has been diagnosed with stage 2 breast cancer and surgery is planned for next week. After worship, please come forward, tie a knot on the quilt and say a prayer for Marcia and Angela.

THE ELDER’S PRAYER – Ana Crosbourne

INTROIT “How Shall I Come Before the Lord”

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evil abounds and threatens my life and my witness, I will remain confident in the Lord.

***When trouble abounds and fear closes in around me,
I will keep faith in the Lord.***

One thing I ask of the Lord and that is what I will continually seek; that I may live in the house of the Lord forever and behold the majesty of the Lord day after day.

***For God will shelter me in times of trouble and despair.
God will keep me safe under the strong arms of grace.***

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the life I am living.
Wait for the Lord. Be strong, and courageous. Wait for the Lord.



* HYMN 384 "This is My Father's World"

The morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy. Job 38:7

1. This is my Fa-ther's world, and to my lis-tening ears all
 2. This is our Fa-ther's world: O let us not for - get that
 3. This is my Fa-ther's world: he shines in all that's fair; in the

na - ture sings, and round me rings the mu - sic of the spheres.
 though the wrong is great and strong, God is the rul - er yet.
 rus - tling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me ev - ery - where.

This is my Fa-ther's world: I rest me in the thought of
 He trusts us with his world, to keep it clean and fair— all
 This is my Fa-ther's world: why should my heart be sad? The

rocks and trees, of skies and seas— his hand the won - ders wrought.
 earth and trees, all skies and seas, all crea - tures ev - ery - where.
 Lord is King, let heav - en ring! God reigns; let earth be glad!

WORDS: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901, alt.; st. 2 rev., Mary Babcock Crawford, 1972
 MUSIC: Traditional English melody; adapt. Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915

TERRA BEATA
 S.M.D.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of abundance, you gather us in as your people – ordinary people with hopes and dreams, with aches and pains, with doubts and distractions.

And yet, you call us your own.

Where we see only the ordinary, you look upon us with extraordinary grace.

Where we take each other for granted, your eyes see the promise of abundant life and love.

Where we see only bread, you see the hands that milled it and made it, the hearts who will receive it, and the hope that will give strength through it.

Grant us your eyes for seeing our neighbor.

Grant us your compassion and grace that we may extend it to others.

Grant us your forgiveness and freedom as we grant them to those around us.

Hear our prayers and grant us your peace.

Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen..

TAIZÉ MEDITATION “Blessing and Praise” (3 times)

*Blessing and praise be given,
Blessing and praise be given
To Christ who comes, who comes for us,
Comes in the name of the Lord.*

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

AFFIRMATION BASED ON THE BELHAR CONFESSION

*To the one and only God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be the honor and glory forever and ever.*

*We believe in the triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
who gathers, protects, and cares for the church through Word
and Spirit.*

*We believe in one holy, universal Christian Church,
the communion of the saints called from the entire human family.*

We believe that God has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation through Jesus Christ, that we are called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world, that we are blessed because we are peacemakers, that we are witnesses by word and deed.

We believe that God wishes to bring about justice and true peace among people; that in a world filled with injustice and enmity, God is in a special way the God of the destitute, the poor, and the wronged.

Therefore, we pledge ourselves to seek unity, reconciliation, and justice.

To the one and only God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be the honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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.*

DEACON’S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Kevin Bottini

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 “Come As You Are”

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE MORNING MESSAGE “Seeing as God Sees”
 (as discovered through the stories of Cornelius, Peter, and Us)

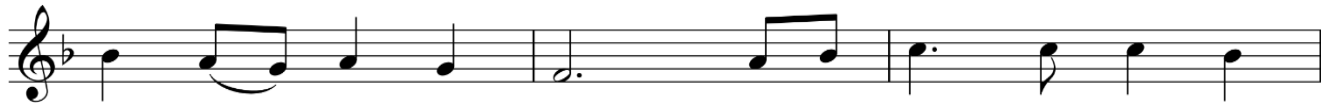
HYMN “All Are Welcome in This Place”



Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly____
 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and____
 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and____



live, a____ place where saints and chil - dren__ tell how____
 wheat, a____ ban - quet hall on ho - ly____ ground, where
 stone to____ heal and strength-en, serve_ and__ teach, and__



hearts learn_ to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 peace and__ jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 live the__ Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace, here the
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space, as we
 stran - ger bear the im - age of God's face; let us



love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 share in Christ the feast that frees____ us:
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:



All are wel-come, all are wel-come, all are wel-come in this place.____

***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.*

Worship Team

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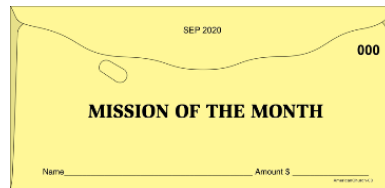
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In-Person Worship Guidelines - Even though you may be vaccinated, mask wearing continues to be encouraged to protect our vulnerable and medically compromised worshippers. We ask you to respect the distance and comfort levels of others. Reminder: If you are feeling under the weather, please remain home and participate in worship via Zoom

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Summer Blessings

Light is shed upon the righteous and joy on the upright in heart. Rejoice in the Lord, you who are righteous, and praise his holy name.

PSALM 97:11-12

