



Twenty third Sunday

after Pentecost

October 27, 2024

10:00 AM

Order of Service

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

Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace.

PRELUDE “Be Thou Vision”

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER’S PRAYER – Linda Murphy

THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT “Breath of God, Breath of Peace”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord God almighty, by your Spirit you have united us into your one body in the unity of the faith. You have commanded your body to give praise and thanks unto you for that bounty and kindness with which you have delivered your only begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, unto death for our sins.

Now grant that we may fulfill this command in faith, never offending or provoking you with false displays. You are the infallible truth.

Grant also that we may live purely-the way we should as your body, your children, and your family. That way, may even unbelievers learn to recognize your name and your glory.

Keep us, Lord so your name and glory are never tarnished through the depravity of our lives.

We always pray, “Lord, increase our faith. Increase our trust in you, who lives and reigns, world without end.”

And we respond as your church: Amen.

Huldrych Zwingli (1484-1531)

* HYMN 43 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

1. A might-y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er fail - ing;
 2. Did we in our own strength con-fide, our striv-ing would be los - ing,
 3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat-en to un-do us,
 4. That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a - bid - eth;

our help - er he, a - mid the flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.
 were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choos - ing.
 we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to tri-umph through us.
 the Spir - it and the gifts are ours thro' him who with us sid - eth.

For still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are
 Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is he; Lord Sab - a - oth his
 The Prince of Dark-ness grim, we trem-ble not for him; his rage we can en -
 Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor-tal life al - so; the bod - y they may

great, and, armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
 name, from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.
 dure, for lo, his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.
 kill: God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king-dom is for - ev - er.

WORDS: Martin Luther, 1529; tr. Frederick H. Hedge, 1852
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*CONFESSION OF FAITH (Belgic Confession Article 20)

We believe that God who is perfectly merciful and also very just-sent the Son to assume the nature in which the disobedience had been committed, in order to bear in it the punishment of sin by his most bitter passion and death.

So God made known his justice toward his Son, who was charged with our sin, and he poured out his goodness and mercy on us, who are guilty and worthy of damnation, giving us his Son to die, by a most perfect love, and raising him to life for our justification, in order that by him we might have immortality and eternal life.

*TAIZÉ MEDITATION "With You, O Lord (3 times)

*With you, O Lord, is life in all its fullness,
And in your light we shall see true light.
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And in your light we shall see true light.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Raise us up, O blessed Jesus, from the awful death of sin, so we may walk in newness of life with you from now on. May your death, O Christ, put to death the old Adam in us, and may your resurrection call into new life our inward being! May your precious blood cleanse us from all our sins, and your resurrection clothe us as in a robe of righteousness!

We who have been dead in sin most ardently yearn for you, O true life. We who have so foolishly wandered away through our sins, turn with longing hearts to you, the true and only righteousness. Condemned to eternal death for our sins, we look with yearning hearts to you, the true salvation. Make us alive by your Spirit! Justify us by your grace! And save us for your mercy's sake! Amen

Johann Gerhard (1582-1637)

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 FORGIVENESS

SUMMARY OF GOD’S LAW

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE – Sarah Huiest

DEACON’S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Jessica Kaercher

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 “I Set My Hope”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

“Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.”

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

This is the Word of The Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

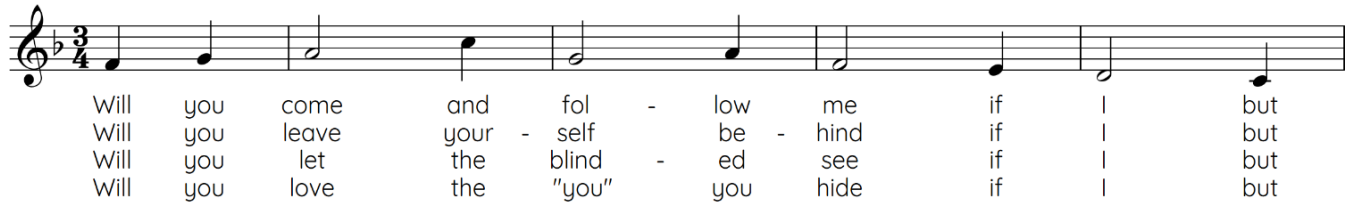
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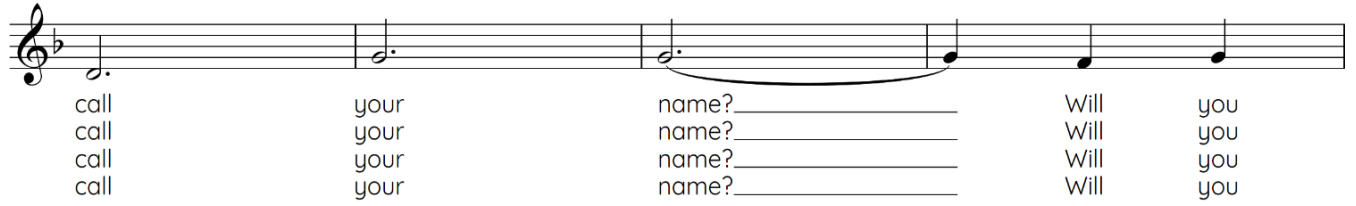


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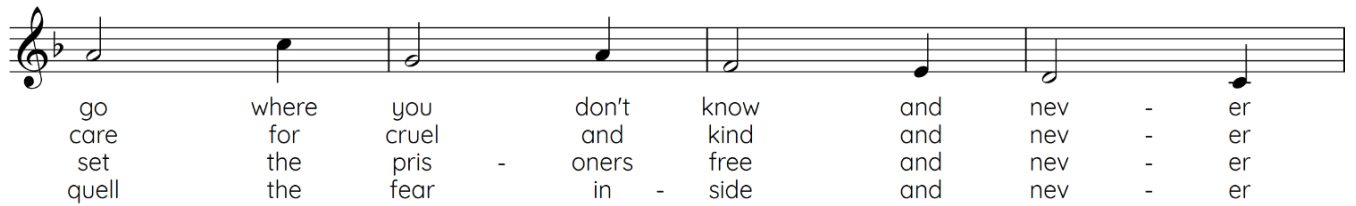
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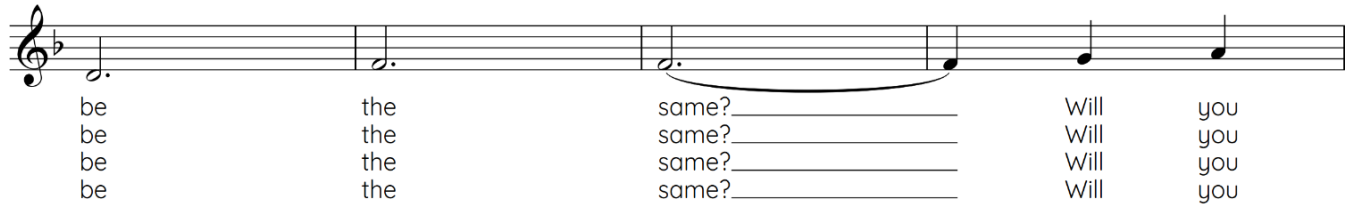
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 Will you love the "you" you hide if I but



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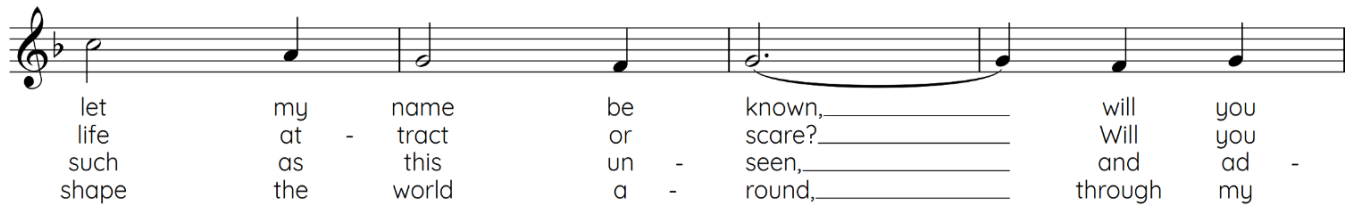
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 quell the fear in - side and nev - er



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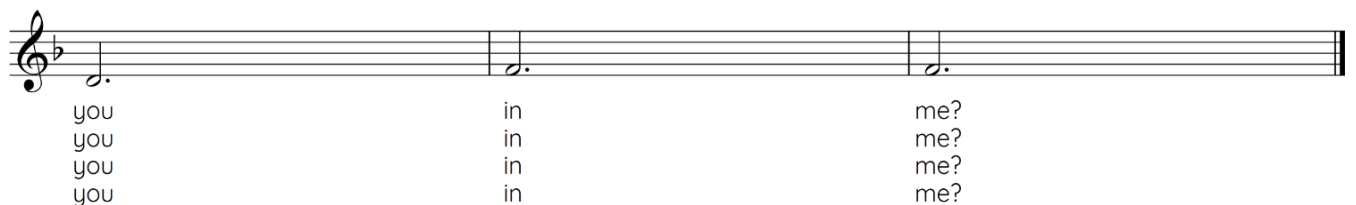
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 such as this un - seen, and ad -
 shape the world a - round, through my



let my life be grown in you and
 let me an - swer prayer in you and
 mit to what I mean in you and
 sight and touch and sound in you and



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***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.*

POSTLUDE "Simple Gifts"

Worship Team

Worship Leader Tina Bottini	Soloist Ben April
Elder of the Day Linda Murphy	Choir Tina-Marie Bottini
Deacon of the Day Jessica Kaercher	Michelle Braungard
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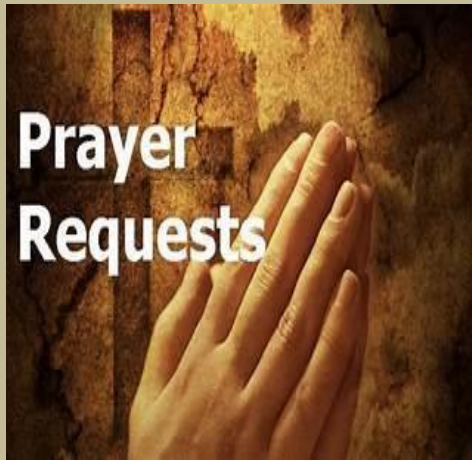
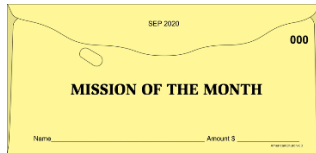
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