THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH Sunday, April 28 - Saturday, May 4

Each week, the Community Reformed Church of Colonie provides opportunities for ministry, study, support, and fellowship. All groups welcome new participants with open arms. If you would like additional information about any group, please call or speak to the contact person indicated.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, April 28

Children's Sunday School – Will begin at 9:00 AM. for children in grades 3-6. Sunday school will meet in the Gathering Room.

Sanctuary Worship - 10:00 AM

Monday, April 29

Quilt Group - will meet at 5:30 PM at the church The Quilt Group will hold their final working meeting of the season. The group is constructing quilts for the Linus Project, which provides quilts and comforters to local children in need. Sewing skills are not needed to participate. Please contact Lou Ann Connelly, louannconne@nycap.rr.com, if you have questions or are interested in learning how you can help.

Wednesday, May 1

Worship/Music Committee – will meet at 7:00 pm in the Gathering Room and by Zoom.

Friday, May 3

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

Saturday, May 4

Orchid Society – The orchid society will meet in the church 12:00 – 4:00 pm.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Conversation #3

Once again the consistory thanks everyone for their full participation in last Sunday's congregational conversation. Your responses are very helpful and will be added to the other two conversations as we create the overall summary. Please keep watch for the announcement for the next gathering which will share the overall summary. Please consider whether God might be calling you to serve in the next step of the pastoral search process.

Contribution Statements

Statements of giving are available on the table for you to pick up. The statements that are not picked up will be mailed. Thank you for your contributions.

- Community Outreach Team During the month of April, we will be collecting pancake mix and dish soap. Jams, Jellies and Juices (all flavors) are a constant need, as well. They will be donated to the Help Center Food Pantry on Vly Road. Your contributions are most appreciated.
- The April Mission of the Month is Capital Roots. Capital Roots works to reduce the impact of poor nutrition on public health in New York's Capital Region by organizing community gardens, providing healthy food access, offering nutritional and horticultural education for all ages, and coordinating urban greening programs.

Donations to **Capital Roots** can be given via your yellow Mission of the Month Envelope, via PayPal, or directly on their web site, www.capitalroots.org. If you are paying by check or PayPal, please note "April Mission of the Month" on your donation.

Community Reformed Flower Ministry

For special occasions you can sign up to celebrate or honor someone with a beautiful floral arrangement, it truly brightens up the pulpit area. You may sign up to order flowers through this link, https://tinyurl.com/FlowerMinistry2024 or by contacting Lori in the church office. Please submit payment of \$30. to the church office. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Eclipse Glasses will be collected at CRCC till the end of April Give your eclipse glasses a second life! We are collecting eclipse glasses for the month of April for Astronomers Without Borders. Their "vision is a global community that appreciates, studies, and shares the wonders of the universe, to broaden perspective, transcend borders, and improve lives. Glasses can be left in the marked basket in the narthex. Contact Sarah Huiest with any questions at crccsarah@gmail.com.

Newsletter Articles

Articles for the June newsletter are due to Sarah Huiest by **May 15th**. Articles may be submitted by email to crccsarah@gmail.com. Articles are always due by the 15th of the previous month.

Consecration Sunday

Mark your calendars for May 19th, Consecration Sunday. Be sure to attend this inspiring service when Pastor Bob will bless our commitments for the 2024-25 pledge year. Leading up to that day, we will hear how stewardship has inspired members of our church family and remind us we all have time, talents and treasures to share.

Family Ministry

Our next Family Ministries Event will be **May 19th**, after worship in the gathering room. We will be celebrating the start of the church for Pentecost! Please contact Sarah Huiest crccsarah@gmail.com if you plan to attend.

Sunday School

The last day for Sunday school for grades 3-7 will be Sunday, **May 19th**. Sunday school will resume in the fall. Questions? Contact Sarah Huiest crccsarah@gmail.com.

Bread Bag Plastic Tags

Did you know that those plastic tags that hold together your bread bag can be recycled? **Danielle Cares for Chairs** recycles those tags and uses the money received to purchase wheelchairs for individuals in need! There is a designated container in the narthex where you can deposit your bread tags. This will be an ongoing collection with no end date. Questions? Contact Sarah Huiest - crccsarah@gmail.com.

Thank You Note

Dear Friends.

My family and I would like to thank you for your donation to the church puzzle. Although Bruce will never see it completed, we all know we will.

Throughout his illness and beyond, your prayers lifted our spirits, and warmed our hearts. Thank You.

May God guide and bless your journey. Peace, Sandy

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday - Acts 10:44-48
Tuesday - Psalm 98:1-3
Wednesday Psalm 98:4-9
Thursday - 1 John 5:1-6
Friday - John 15:9-12
Saturday - John 15:13-17
Sunday - Sixth Sunday of Easter

Household Prayer: Morning

Good shepherd, walk beside me through the joy and trouble of this day, and lead me in right paths for your name's sake. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Good shepherd, remain with me in the dark and stillness of this night, and let me lie down in safety to restore my soul. Amen.