THIS WEEK AT COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH Sunday, June 30 – Saturday, July 6

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, June 30 Outdoor and Zoom Worship - 9:00 AM

Understanding and Welcoming All Gender Identities – 10:30 AM LGBTQ+ Consultant, Lisa Puckey will answer questions related to being transgender and nonbinary, as well as equip you to be ally and a welcoming and affirming congregation to this specific facet of the LGBTQ+ Community. Questions may be submitted in advance to <u>crccsarah@gmail.com</u>. This will be on zoom but it will NOT be recorded

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Conversation Summary and Update

Thank you all, once again, for another great gathering where we reviewed the summary of our three congregational conversations. There were a lot of really good questions asked about what gets done with all this information and the formation of the pastor search committee. The consistory is pleased to inform that the following individuals have agreed to serve on the pastor search committee: Ben April; Mike York; Michele Braungard; Marissa Lombardo; Lou Ann Connelly; Lexy Kuentzel-Brown; Pam Fitzpatrick; Mark Kaercher and Alexander Huiest.

Please pray for each of them as they embrace the work of this calling.

Newsletter

As church programming slows down in the summer, we have a combined July/August newsletter. Articles for this newsletter are due by July 25th - please note, this is an extra 10 days. The combined newsletter will go out in early August. Article submissions can either be placed in Sarah Huiest's church office mailbox, or emailed to crccsarah@gmail.com.

The June Mission of the Month is in recognition of Pride month, "In Our Own Voices". It is the Mission of In Our Own Voices to work for and ensure the physical, mental, spiritual, political, cultural, and economic survival and growth of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender people of color communities.

Donations to **In Our Own Voices, Inc** can be given via your yellow Mission of the Month Envelope, via PayPal, or directly on their web site, In Our Own Voices, Inc. - LGBT in Albany (ioov.org).

Community Outreach Team - During the month of **July**, we will be collecting canned protein (canned chicken and tuna) and cold cereal.. They will be donated to the Help Center Food Pantry on Vly Road. Your contributions are most appreciated.



There's an easy way to properly recycle your refundable cans and bottles. No counting, no rinsing, and no waiting in long lines to make your return! And you'll be raising money for our Church so we can continue to spread God's word and do good ministry.

There are green plastic CLYNK bags in the church entryway that can be brought home and filled with your refundable cans and bottles.

And thank YOU for doing your part to care for God's gift of the earth and supporting our church.

In addition to bringing in revenue for the church, the clothing collected in the Blue Bins located at the south end of our parking lot is sent to those in need throughout the US and third world countries. This is a great and convenient way to donate your clothing when cleaning out. Spread the word to your neighbors, coworkers, friends and family. Offer to bring the clothes to church for them.



OUTDOOR WORSHIP June 2 to September 1 9 AM

Outdoor (weather permitting) and on Zoom (live-streamed)



Summer Worship Weather Guidelines

The outdoor service will move indoors if:

- Outdoor temperature is under 55 degrees
- Heat Advisory issued by the National Weather Service
- Precipitation or the threat of precipitation
- Wind interference with the sound system or camera system
- Other weather-related conditions or impending weather changes that would interfere with conducting a full worshipful service.
- If worship needs to be moved into the Sanctuary, there will be No Nursery Care.

The decision for worship location will be made by the participating worship leadership.



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. Questions? Contact Sarah Huiest - crccsarah@gmail.com.

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday - 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 Tuesday - Psalm 48 Wednesday - Ezekiel 2:1-5 Thursday - Psalm 123 Friday - 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Saturday - Mark 6:1-13 Sunday - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

Household Prayer: Morning

By your grace I arise from my bed this morning, Lord; by the power of your Spirit I draw my breath. As the dawn brightens into day, enlighten my mind with your truth and open my heart to all those I meet, that I might reflect the light of Jesus Christ, in whose name I give thanks and praise. Amen

Household Prayer: Evening

As the night deepens, Lord, I give myself to your care. For the ways you enabled me to live faithfully today, thank you. For the ways I failed to follow Christ, forgive me. And if I do not awaken in the morning, receive me into your everlasting arms. Amen.

