



The Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost

October 30, 2022



Order of Service
10:00 am

* - Please rise in body or in spirit

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

I always have a funny story at communion time
that underscores that no one is perfect,
and that communion is not for perfect people
but for hungry people.

~ Greg Boyle

PRELUDE "Mazurka in A minor"

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER'S PRAYER – Linda Murphy

THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT “Change my Heart, O God”

CALL TO WORSHIP

Once again, we gather,
From different homes and circumstances,
With different dreams and ideas, different values and tastes,
Different in age and color, different in gender and language,
***Yet, we are one family – Children of God every one; We
join our hearts in worship,
We join our voices in praise
And we join our lives as the Body of Christ. Amen.***

* HYMN "The Summons"

Will you come and fol - low me if I but
 Will you leave your the self be hind see if I but
 Will you love the "you" you hide if I but

5
 call your name? Will you
 call your name? Will you
 call your name? Will you
 call your name? Will you

9
 go where you don't know and nev - er
 care for the cruel and kind and nev - er
 set the the pris oners in free side and nev - er
 quell fear

13
 be the same? Will you
 be the same? Will you
 be the same? Will you
 be the same? Will you

17
 let my love be shown, will you
 risk the hos tile stare, should your
 kiss the lep er clean, and do re
 use the faith you've found

21
 let life my at - name be or known, will you
 such as the tract this be or scare? Will you
 shape the world a - seen, and through my
 round,

25
 let let my life be grown in you and
 let mit me to an - swer I prayer in you and
 sight and touch and sound in you and

29
 you in in in me?
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THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord God, we have found a home in You;
We have found a family in You;
We have found a place to belong;
to know and be known
to love and be loved.

And we are so grateful for this awesome gift.

But, too easily, we forget the benefits it brings;

We have forgotten our place, and doubted Your love;

Remind us, and all who feel neglected by You, that we are engraved on Your hands.

We have forgotten who we are, and have failed to care for ourselves;

Remind us, and all who feel worthless, that You have called us by name.

We have forgotten our connectedness, and have divided ourselves;

Remind us, and all who would exclude, oppress and condemn others, that we are all made in Your image, and we are all one body.

TAIZÉ MEDITATION “Shepard Me O God”

***Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death into life.***

THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE – Lisa McGee

DEACON’S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Jessica Kaercher

ANTHEM “Table of Grace”

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 6:51-58

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of

the world is my flesh.” The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” So Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.”

THE MORNING MESSAGE “Why We Celebrate Communion”

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

THE CALL TO COMMUNION

We have one Lord, one God, one Savior.

The Holy Spirit makes Christ real to us, binding us in one, as we share him together.

This is something we do eagerly.

Christ welcomes us here.

This is something we do seriously.

For this is the moment of greatest intimacy when we take the symbols of the body and blood of the risen Lord.

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the presence of the Lord"

***APOSTLE'S CREED**

I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day

He rose again. He ascended into Heaven, and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

***PEACE**

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts since as members of one body you were called to peace (Colossians 3:15). The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***THE OFFERING**

***OUR PRAISE TO GOD (THE DOXOLOGY)**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

THE PREFACE

HYMN "Holy Lord" (3 times)

Dona Nobis Pacem

*Holy, holy, Lord God almighty,
your glory fills the earth, Lord God of hosts.*

THE MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT

The Holy Supper which we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, of communion, and of hope: We remember with joy the grace by which you created all things and made us in your own image.

We rejoice that you called a people in covenant to be a light to the nations.

Yet we rebelled against your will.

In spite of the prophets and pastors sent forth to us, we continued to break your covenant.

In the fullness of time, you sent your only Son to save us.

Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of your favored one, Mary, sharing our life, Christ reconciled us to your love.

At the Jordan your Spirit descended upon Him, anointing Him to preach the good news of your reign.

He healed the sick and fed the hungry, manifesting the power of your compassion.

He sought out the lost and broke bread with sinners, witnessing the fullness of your grace.

We beheld His glory.

On the night before He died for us, Jesus broke bread and shared the cup with His disciples.

After the meal our Lord was arrested, abandoned by His followers and beaten.

He stood trial and was put to death on a cross.

Having emptied himself in the form of a servant, and being obedient even to death, He was raised from the dead and exalted as Lord of heaven and earth.

Through him you bestow the gift of your Spirit, uniting your church, empowering its mission and leading us into the new creation you have promised.

By His death, resurrection and ascension, Jesus Christ has obtained for us the life-giving Spirit who unites us all in one body. We therefore receive this Supper in true and unconditional love.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious God, we celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Grant that in praise and thanksgiving we may be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight, that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Christ has died!
Christ is risen!
Christ will come again.*

"GLORIFY YOUR NAME"

Glorify Your Name

*Father, we love you, we worship and adore you,
Glorify your name in all the earth;
Glorify your name, glorify your name,
Glorify your name in all the earth.*

*Jesus, we love you, we worship and adore you,
Glorify your name in all the earth;
Glorify your name, glorify your name,
Glorify your name in all the earth.*

*Spirit, we love you, we worship and adore you,
Glorify your name in all the earth;
Glorify your name, glorify your name,
Glorify your name in all the earth.*

COMMUNION

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Since, dear God, in this place at this table, we have touched, we have tasted, we have heard and we have seen the signs of your love for us, grant that we may go away from this house filled with our love for you and overflowing with your love for those who are around us and who share our lives. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

HYMN "The Lord's Prayer"

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom, and thine is the power,
and thine is the glory forever (forever, forever).
Amen. Amen. Amen.*

***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.*

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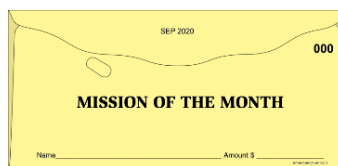
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There are three special offering envelopes for October

You may make your offering to these with the envelope provided, mail

in the offering to the Church office or through Paypal. If you have any questions, contact Lori Coté at crcclori@gmail.com.



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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DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Monday - Haggai 1:15-2:9
Tuesday - Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21
Wednesday - Job 19:23-27
Thursday - Psalm 17:1-9
Friday - 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17
Saturday - Luke 20:27-38
Sunday - Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

Household Prayer: Morning

With the morning light my hope is renewed,
and all my trust is in you, O God.
Lead me where you would have me go,
and show me what you would have me do,
to display your vision for the world to be
and, as far as I am able,

to live in accordance with your coming reign.
In the name of Jesus. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

The night is a gift from you, O God,
a time of repose for the weary.
Forgive any unfaithfulness in me,
and grant me peace,
that I may rest wholly in you. Amen.

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