



The Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany



February 13, 2022

Order of Service
10:00 am

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

“Words of love are like oxygen in a relationship.”

~ Lisa Arango

PRELUDE “Love Lifted Me”

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Welcome
Announcements

THE ELDER'S PRAYER – Vicki Lane

THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT “Come and Find the Quiet Center”

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Holy Spirit, guide us as we walk in faith,
*and guard us against the powers that would draw us away
from your love.*

Help us live according to your commandments,
that we might live long in the land you have prepared for us.

Prompt us to seek you with our whole heart
*and guide us to walk in your ways, that we may carry out the
vows of the covenant we share.*

May our words and deeds bring life and faith to others,
as we hold fast to the gift of faith.

Be with us as we worship you this day,
*and bless us with your light, that our time with you may be
filled with grace. Amen.*

HYMN 638 “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

*Precious Lord, take my hand,
lead me on, let me stand,
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
Through the storm, through the night,
lead me on to the light:
Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home.*

*When my way grows drear, precious Lord linger near,
when my light is almost gone;
hear my cry, hear my call,
hold my hand lest I fall:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*

*When the darkness appears and the night draws near,
and the day is past and gone,
at the river I stand,
guide my feet, hold my hand:
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.*

THE RESPONSIVE READING

It's not always comfortable, God, but it is certainly good,
that you go straight for the heart.

You do not allow us to skate over the surface of life,
filling our days with dry legality, and pretend righteousness;

No, you come at us from the inside,
*challenging our thoughts and attitudes, our motives and
perceptions;*

and shaping them into the fuel for change
*that gives us hearts like yours, and lives that are lived from
the inside out.*

We praise you, O God,
*for your uncomfortable grace, your transforming Spirit, and
for the gift of lives lived with integrity, compassion and love
from the inside out.*

TAIZÉ MEDITATION "Sing Praises" (3 times)

*Sing praises, all you peoples,
sing praises to the Lord.
Sing praises, all you peoples,
sing praises to the Lord!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, you call us to walk in your ways,
observe your commandments, and love you as you have loved us. You
offer us a community of abundant blessing, with rich soil to promote
dynamic growth.

Yet we often turn away from you
to satisfy our own wants and desires.

We forsake the way of love and forgiveness,
*giving in to petty jealousies and quarreling, and thus
surrendering our lofty ideals to our baser inclinations.*

Forgive us, O God. When we flee from your embrace,
draw us into community with you and with one another.

Shower us with the cleansing waters of humility,
*that we may reclaim our purpose and find nourishment and
growth in labors of love to bring your kingdom in our midst.
Amen.*

TAIZÉ MEDITATION “Come 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.*

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE – Jerry Kallner

DEACON’S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Kevin Ingalls

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 “Freedom is Coming”

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON John 21:1-19

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

THE MORNING MESSAGE " A Vital Part Of The Human Experience"

HYMN "Give Me Jesus"

*1 In the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
Give me Jesus*

*Refrain:
Give me Jesus,
give me Jesus,
you can have all this world,
give me Jesus*

*2 Dark midnight was my cry,
dark midnight was my cry,
dark midnight was my cry,
give me Jesus. [Refrain]*

*3 Just about the break of day,
just about the break of day,
just about the break of day,
give me Jesus. [Refrain]*

*4 O, when I come to die,
O, when I come to die,
O, when I come to die,
give me Jesus. [Refrain]*

BENEDICTION

THE IRISH BLESSING

*May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be ever at your back,
May the sunshine 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.*

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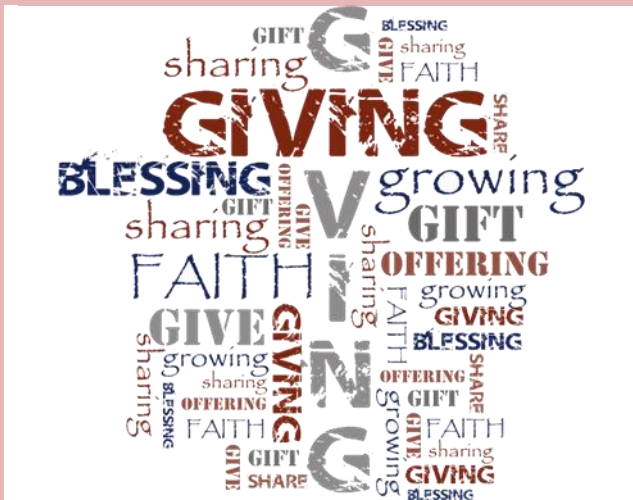
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GENERAL NOTICES

Today, Sunday School for children in grades 3-6 meets in the Gathering Room from 9:00 to 9:45 am.

Tuesday, February 15

The Gathering Zoom Devotions – 4:00 to 4:30 pm

Wednesday, February 16

6:30-7:00 pm - Elders will meet at the Church

7:00-9:00 pm - Consistory will meet at the Church.

Thursday, February 17

The Gathering Zoom Devotions - 6:30 to 7:00 pm

The Wired Word Bible Study - 7:00-8:00pm

Friday, February 18

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

Sunday, February 20 at 1:00 pm.

Capital Region actors will read Albany playwright Sandi Dollinger's recently completed play *Encore, Encore, Missus Gefilte Fish*.

Members and friends of Community Reformed Church, who are interested in following the development of a new work, are welcome to attend.

Sunday School Teacher - We are in need of a Sunday school teacher for children in grades 3-6. There is a curriculum for you to follow. If interested, please speak to Sarah Huiest (crccsarah@gmail.com).

Day Care Fundraiser - Our Day Care Center is partnering with Krauses's Homemade Candy of Albany, for our spring fundraiser. The fundraiser is filled with delicious treats for your friends, family, and co-workers!

The Day Care makes a 50% profit on all candy sales. This will go to purchasing some fun outdoor equipment and other fun things.

On the back table there are colored candy sheets and order forms. You can also use Krause's web page, (<https://krausesfr.wordpress.com>). The website has photos and descriptions of all the items. There is also an electronic spreadsheet version of the order form to use to record orders and email them to Carol Grasso at cgrasso6@yahoo.com.

All checks should be made out to Colonie Community Day Care. Please return completed sheets and payment by Friday, March 11th. Candy will be in by the last week in March. Thank You!!



**Ash Wednesday Worship
March 2
7PM**

You are dust, and to dust you will return.

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Lenten season. Lent is the 40 days (excluding Sundays) that come before the crucifixion of our Lord. It is a time of penance, reflection, self-examination and spiritual redirection - a time of darkness ending with the rising of the Son. The introspection of Lent allows us to celebrate the full glory of Easter morning.

Pre-registration for In-Person and At-Home is required.

For those planning on **worshipping on Zoom** and wishing to receive Ash Wednesday worship materials, please register at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEA92AA6FAC43-ashwednesday1> by February 25th. This will ensure that you will receive the mailing in time.

For those that will be **worshipping in person**, please register at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4EAEA92AA6FAC43-ashwednesday> by March 1st.

If you have any questions contact Lori in the church office at crclori@gmail.com.

ZOOM

To join in Devotions, The Wired Word and Sunday Worship via Zoom, use the link below:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6880887155>

Meeting ID: 688 088 7155

By Phone: 1-646-558-8656

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Daily Scripture Readings

Monday - Genesis 45:3-11, 15
Tuesday - Psalm 37:1-11
Wednesday - Psalm 37:39-40
Thursday - 1 Corinthians 15:35-38
Friday - 1 Corinthians 15:42-50
Saturday - Luke 6:27-38
Sunday - Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Household Prayer: Morning

Gracious God, thank you for the gift of this new day.
Guide my steps as I face choices to care for the earth or not,
to show compassion toward others or not,
to care for myself or not, to be true to Christ or not.
May each of my choices draw me closer to you. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Tonight, I come home to you in prayer, my God.
Thank you for guiding me through this day,
even when I was not conscious of it.
Now I give this day back to you,
entrusting all that I did and all that I left undone
to your compassionate care.
May I rest in peace. Amen.



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