

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost June 30, 2024

Order of Service – 9:00 am

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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

“Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning,
born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation,
praise every morning, God’s re-creation of the new day!”

(verse 3 from “Morning Has Broken” text by Eleanor Farjeon)

Please join in the worship liturgy by reading the sections in ***bold italics***.

* - Please rise in body or in spirit

PRELUDE “Deep River”

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER’S PRAYER – Karl Coté

INTROIT “Sanctuary”

CALL TO WORSHIP

The heavens are telling the glory of God and the firmament
proclaims God’s handiwork.

***Day to day pours forth speech and night to night declares
knowledge.***

There is no speech, nor are there any words, their voice is not
heard yet their voice goes out through all the earth and their
words to the end of the world.

***Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable to you, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.***



* HYMN 78 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Descant

6. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,

1. O God, our help in a - ges past, our hope for years to come,
 2. Un - der the shad - ow of thy throne thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
 3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or earth re - ceived her frame,
 4. A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are like an eve - ning gone;

be thou our guide while life shall last, and our e - ter - nal home.

our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home!
 suf - fi - cient is thine arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 from ev - er - last - ing thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 short as the watch that ends the night, be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
 bears all its years away,
 they fly, forgotten, as a dream
 dies at the opening day.

6. O God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,
 be thou our guide while life shall last,
 and our eternal home!

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CONFESSION OF FAITH (Heidelberg Catechism Lord's Day 9, Question and Answer 26)

Q: What do you believe when you say: "I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth?"

A: That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and all that is in them, and who still upholds and governs them by his eternal counsel and providence, is, for the sake of Christ his Son, my God and my Father. In him I trust so completely as to have no doubt that he will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul and will also turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this life of sorrow. He is able to do so as almighty God and willing also, as a faithful Father.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, like creation we wait for all things to be made new. We long for new and right relationships among the nations and peoples surrounded by conflict. We yearn for wholeness and peace where there is inequity. We desire health and healing where there is turmoil in body, mind and soul. But instead of just praying for these re-creations in our world, you have called us to actively work to bring them about. So, forgive our inactivity. Forgive us for all the excuses we give for not doing one thing to make a difference. Forgive us when we walk by on the other side of the road. And in forgiving us, please create in us a new heart and put your right spirit within us that we may be faithful to you and the call of service you place upon us. In Jesus Christ, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

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!***

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

TAIZÉ MEDITATION "Lord Jesus Christ" (3 times)

*Lord Jesus Christ, your light shines within us.
Let not my doubts and my darkness speak to me.
Lord Jesus Christ, your light shines within us.
Let my heart always welcome your love.*

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 "God is Here"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Genesis 1:1-2

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."


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

THE MORNING MESSAGE "Still At It!"


HYMN "How Can I Keep From Singing"

How Can I Keep From Singing

Words & Music: Robert Lowry



My life flows on in end-less song, a - bove earth's la - men - ta - tion. I
Through all the tu - mult and the strife, I hear that mu - sic ring-ing. It



hear the clear, though far - off hymn that hails a new cre - a - tion.
finds an ech - o in my soul. How can I keep from sing-ing?

Refrain:



No storm can shake my in-most calm while to that Rock I'm cling-ing. Since



love is Lord of_ heav-en and earth, how can I keep from sing-ing?

*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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Sing Praises

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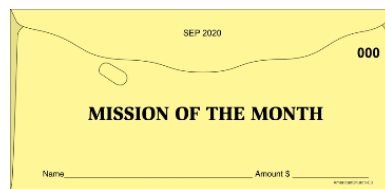
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