



Transfiguration Sunday
February 11, 2024
Order of Service – 10:00 am

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

* - 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

"To be a person of faith means three things:
You're rooted in the past,
you are transformed in the present...
and you have glorious vision of the future."

~Tony Campolo

PRELUDE "I Want Jesus to Walk With Me"

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER'S PRAYER – Linda Murphy

THE LIGHTING OF THE Christ Candle

INTROIT “How Shall I Come Before the Lord”

CALL TO WORSHIP

You are the pre-dawn glow

that promises yet another new beginning;

You are the still dusk

that brings rest to a weary world;

You are the prophecy

of God's life-giving Word inscribed on our hearts;

You are the law

that finds its fulfilment in love;

You are the mountain

where the presence of God blazes and burns;

You are the valley

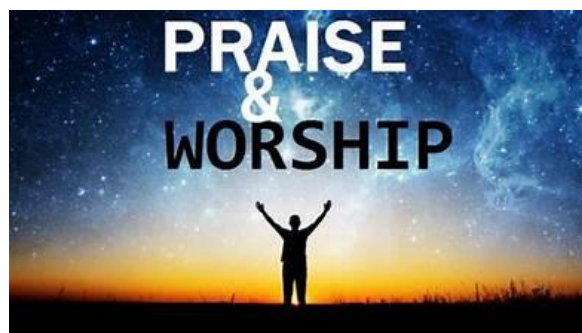
where the face of God peeks out from suffering eyes;

You are the glory that we long for,

the whispered rumor of a different order,

the Shining One who transfigures all things.

You are the One we worship.



* HYMN "Wade in the Water"

Refrain:



End after final verse.



Leader:

All:



See that band all dressed in red,
Look o - ver yon - der, what do I see?
If you don't be lieve I've been re deemed,

Leader:

All:



Looks like the band that Mo - ses led,
The Ho - ly Ghost a - com ing on me,
Just fol low me down to Jor - dan's stream,

THE RESPONSIVE READING

God of surprises, you call us from the narrowness of our traditions to new ways of being church, from the captivities of our culture to creative witness for justice, from the smallness of our horizons to the bigness of your vision.

Clear the way in us, your people, that we might call others to freedom and renewed faith.

Jesus, wounded healer you call us from preoccupation with our own histories and hurts to daily tasks of peacemaking, from privilege to pilgrimage, from insularity to inclusive community.

Clear the way in us, your people, that we might call others to wholeness and integrity.

Holy, transforming, Spirit you call us from fear to faithfulness, from clutter to clarity, from a desire to control to deeper trust, from the refusal to love to a readiness to risk.

Clear the way in us, your people, that we might all know the beauty and power and danger of the gospel.

by Joan Puls and Gwen Cashmore

TAIZÉ MEDITATION “In the Lord I’ll Be Ever Thankful” (3 times)

***In the Lord I'll be ever thankful
In the Lord I will rejoice.
Look to God, do not be afraid.
Lift up your voices the Lord is near,
Lift up your voices the Lord is near.***

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, your love courses through our lives like a flowing river, abundant in grace and power. We confess that we have not stopped to be refreshed by your Spirit. We have bypassed the streams of mercy and in so doing have forfeited the strength you offer your servants. Lord, forgive us. We have dammed up the river of your power with grudges, nursed hurts, and self-pity. We have refused to channel your love to others, especially those we find hard to love. In your mercy, forgive us. Cleanse us of old regrets and ancient wounds; restore us to peace – peace within, peace between friends, and peace in your Spirit. Amen.

TAIZÉ MEDITATION “Come and Fill Our Hearts” (3 times)

*Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace,
Alleluia!*

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE – Sarah Huiest

DEACON’S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Marv Helf

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 “We Shall Walk Through the Valley in Peace”

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION



SCRIPTURE LESSONS

2 Corinthians 4:3, 6

And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

Mark 9:2-9

Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And Jesus was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!" Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them to tell no one about what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

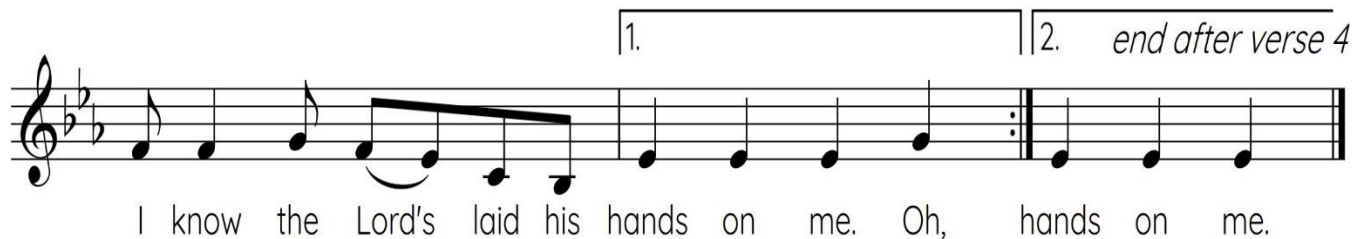
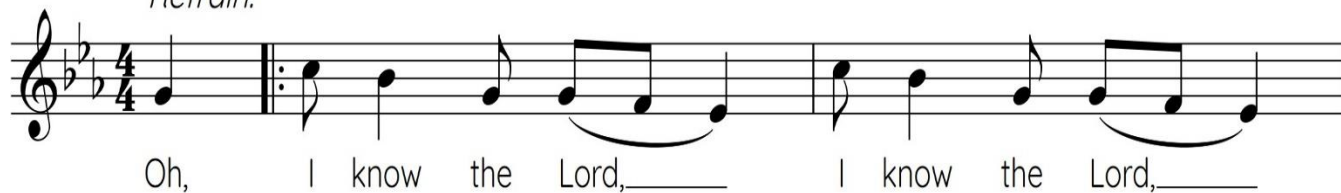
This is the Word of The Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

THE MORNING MESSAGE

"Following Glory"

***HYMN "Oh, I know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me"**

Refrain:



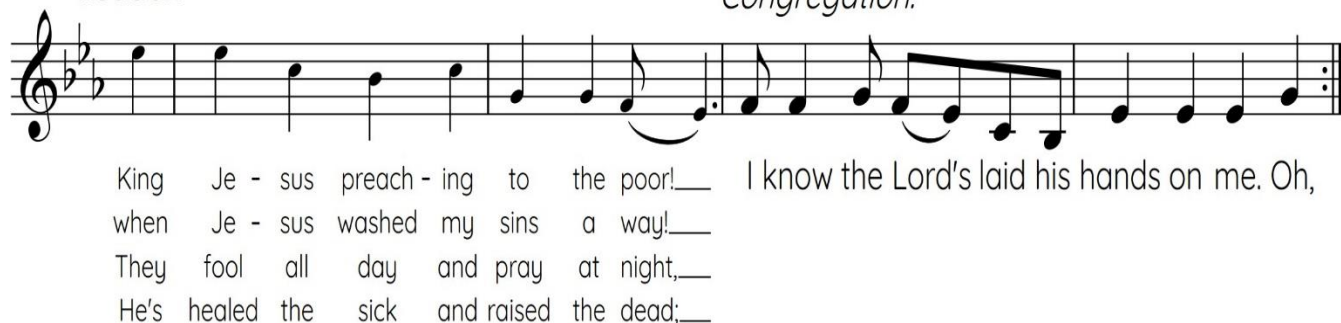
Leader:

Congregation:



Leader:

Congregation:



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.*

WORSHIP TEAM

Worship Leader
Lynne Gilgore

Soloist
Kevin Ingalls

Elder of the Day
Linda Murphy

Sound Technician
John Lombardo

Deacon of the Day
Marv Helf

Video Technician
Cameron Kaercher

Liturgist
Anna Crosbourne

Welcome Host
Pam Fitzpatrick

Children's Message
Sarah Huiest

Coffee Hour Host
Sue Bredice

Copyright Licenses

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

Traditional Spiritual, arr. Lloyd Larson
© 2011 Hope Publishing Company
Used by Permission.
One License #.A 719501

Wade in the Water

Contributors: Carl Haywood
Used by Permission.
One License #.A 719501

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Contributors: Jacques Berthier, Taizé Community
Tune: © 1986, 1991, Les Presses de Taizé,
GIA Publications, Inc., agent Text: © 1986, 1991, Les
Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent
Used by Permission.
One License #.A 719501

Come and Fill Our Hearts

Contributors: Jacques Berthier, Taizé
© 2014 Ateliers et Presses de Taizé,
GIA Publications, Inc., agent.
Used by Permission.
One License #.A 719501

We Shall Walk Though the Valley in Peace

Traditional Spiritual,
arr. Undine Smith Moore
© 1977 Augsburg Publishing House
Used by Permission.
One License #.A 719501

ZOOM

To join 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

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

Offerings and gifts to the church may be submitted online via PayPal (link found below or on our website), by mailed check, by direct bank payment or by placing them in the offering box.

PayPal:

https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=N67JS9D5MLMGS

Website:

www.communityreformedchurch.com

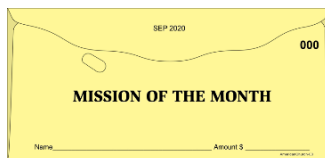
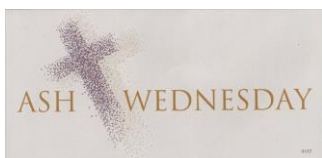
Mailing Address:

Community Reformed Church of Colonie
701 Sand Creek Road
Colonie, NY 12205

Special Offering Envelopes –

The special offering envelopes for February.

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.



Prayer E-Chain

Please email prayer requests to:

Sandy Cornwell
crccsandy@gmail.com

and

Karen Latta
kmlatta@nycap.rr.com

COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH OF COLONIE STAFF AND CONSISTORY

STAFF E-MAIL ADDRESSES

Rev. Robert Hoffman, Interim Pastor
rev.robert.hoffman@gmail.com

Lori Côté
Church Administrator & Bookkeeper
crccclori@gmail.com

Ben April,
Director of Music Ministries
benapril27@gmail.com

Sarah Huiest,
Youth Coordinator &
Communication/Media Coordinator
crccsarah@gmail.com

Cameron Kaercher
Technical Director
camkaercher@gmail.com

CONSISTORY

Elders

Karl Côté
Ana Crosbourn
Linda Murphy
Melody York

Deacons

Kevin Bottini
Marvin Helf
Kevin Ingalls
Jessica Kaercher



701 Sand Creek Road, Colonie, NY 12205
Telephone: 518-869-5589

Website - www.communityreformedchurch
Facebook - facebook.com/coloniereformed
Twitter - @ColonieReformed

