



Second Sunday after the  
Epiphany  
January 19, 2025  
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*

***“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.

## **FOR CONTEMPLATION**

***“The abundance you seek is not something to be found outside of you,  
but rather, awakened within.”***

~Dr. Jacent Mpalyenkana Ph.D

## PRELUDE “We Shall Overcome”

## THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

### PRAYER SHAWL

We have a prayer shawl out this morning for Donna Davidson's co-worker Thabi. After worship, please come forward to lay hands on the shawl and offer prayers for Thabi and her family".

### THE ELDER’S PRAYER – Ana Crosbourn

## THE LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

### INTROIT “Agnus Dei”

### CALL TO WORSHIP

God call us to worship, *and we come*,  
some with laughter and songs of joy.

God calls us to worship, *and we come*,  
some from a sense of obligation or habit.

God calls us to worship, *and we come*,  
some with hearts heavy with grief.

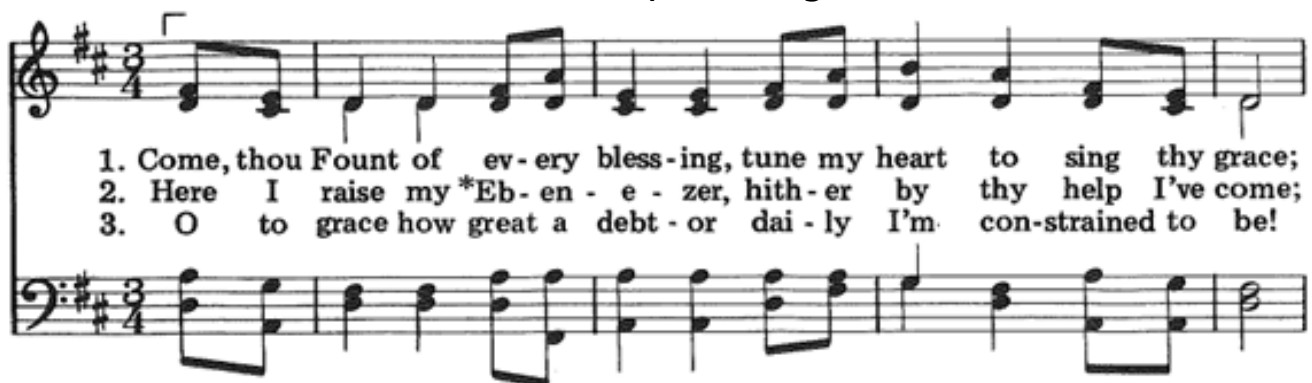
God calls us to worship, *and we come*,  
some with distraction or exhaustion.

God calls us to worship, *and we come*,  
some with eagerness and enthusiasm.

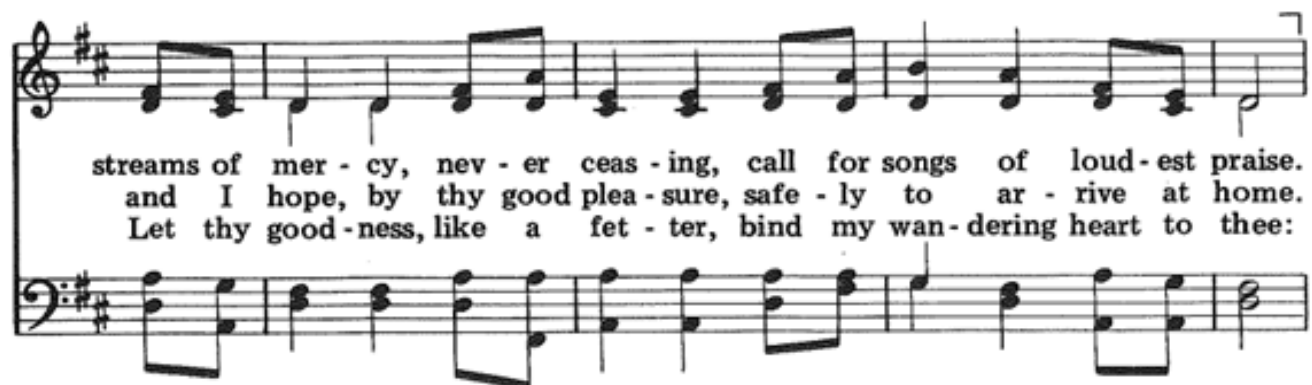
God calls us to worship, *and we come*,  
Some with stress, loneliness, or depression.

As God's dearly loved children, we bring all our joy and pain, hurt and hope *into this place of Spirit-given grace, love and hope.*

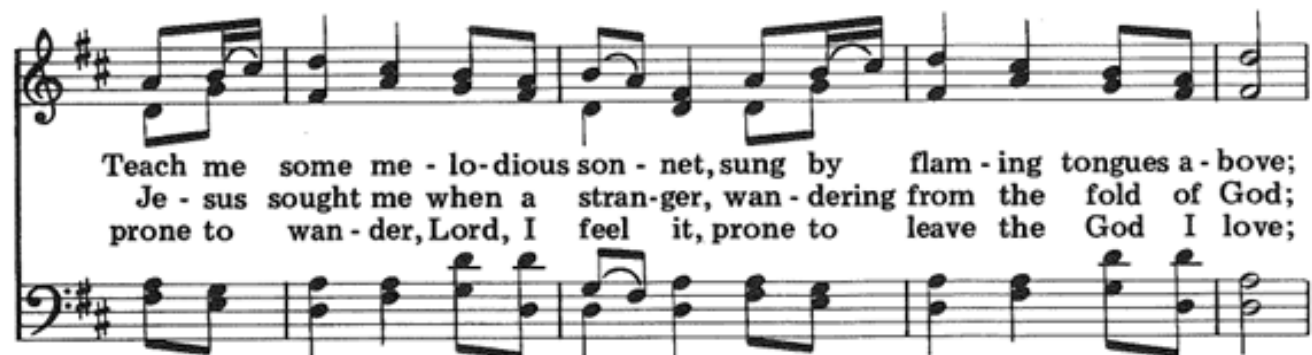
\* HYMN 45 "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"



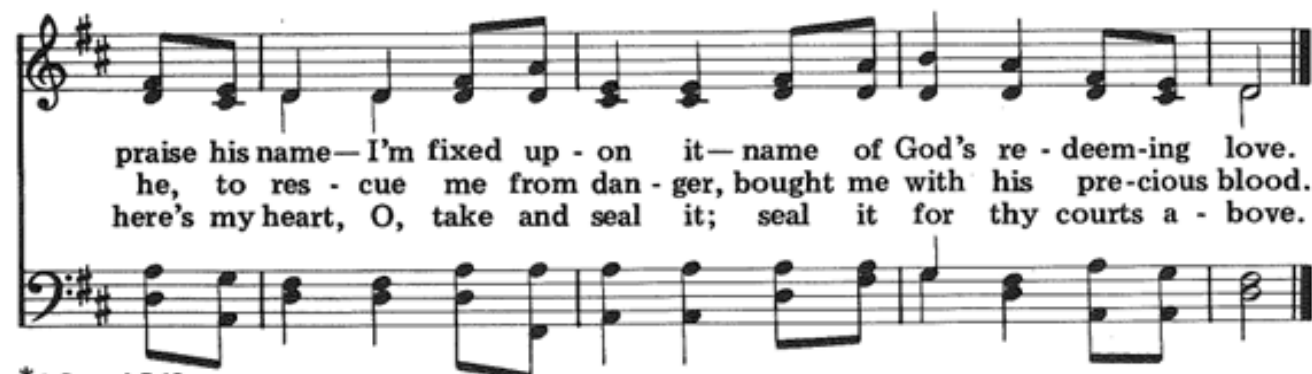
1. Come, thou Fount of ev-ery bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
 2. Here I raise my \*Eb-en-e-zer, hith-er by thy help I've come;  
 3. O to grace how great a debt-or dai-ly I'm con-strained to be!



streams of mer-cy, nev-er ceas-ing, call for songs of loud-est praise.  
 and I hope, by thy good plea-sure, safe-ly to ar-rive at home.  
 Let thy good-ness, like a fet-ter, bind my wan-dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me-lo-dious son-net, sung by flam-ing tongues a-bove;  
 Je-sus sought me when a stran-ger, wan-dering from the fold of God;  
 prone to wan-der, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;



praise his name—I'm fixed up-on it—name of God's re-deem-ing love.  
 he, to res-cue me from dan-ger, bought me with his pre-cious blood.  
 here's my heart, O, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a-bove.

\* 1 Samuel 7:12

WORDS: Robert Robinson, 1758, alt.

MUSIC: Traditional American melody; John Wyeth's *Repository of Sacred Music*, Part Second, 1813

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## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world  
discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator  
who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love.*

## TAIZÉ MEDITATION "I Belong to You, O God" (3 times)

*I belong to you, O God, I belong to you.  
I belong to you, O God, I belong to you.*

## CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Almighty God,  
we confess that we have been led astray by the idols  
of our world.  
We have depended on our possessions  
and have not placed our trust in your grace.  
We have carelessly consumed the gifts you offer  
and have failed to be faithful stewards of the earth's resources.  
We have sought security in the might of the sword  
rather than the strength of your Holy Spirit.  
Forgive us, we pray.  
Lead us to true repentance that we may serve you faithfully.  
Through Christ we pray. Amen.*

## TAIZÉ MEDITATION "Shepherd Me, O God" (3 times)

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

## DECLARATION OF 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 "10,000 Reasons, Bless The Lord"

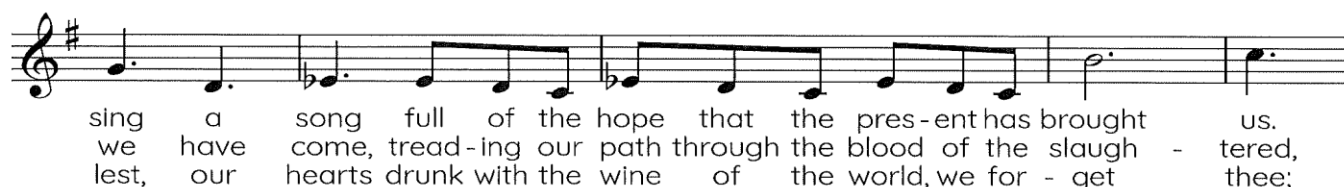
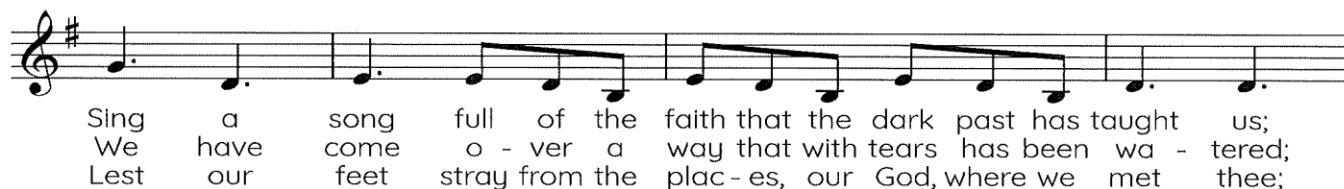
## SCRIPTURE LESSONS John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

## THE MORNING MESSAGE "Abundance"

# \*HYMN "Lift Every Voice and Sing"



## 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.*

POSTLUDE “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

## WORSHIP TEAM

Worship Leader  
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**Ana Crosbourn**

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Deacon of the Day  
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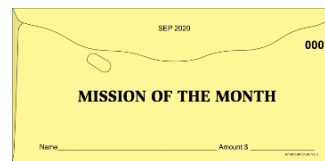
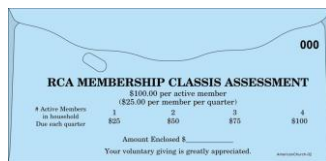
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and you will be warmed  
from the inside out.**