



The Third Sunday after Pentecost

June 26, 2022



Order of Service – 9:00 am

Please tune your radio to station 88.9 FM

* - 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

It's when we care for each other –
choosing inclusion and love over division and hatred –
that this great country is at its greatest.

~ Tulsi Gabbard

PRELUDE “You Are My All in All”

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER'S PRAYER – Ana Crosbourne

INTROIT “Sanctuary”

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

You alone know, O God, the depth of the longing in our hearts;

the intensity of the thirst in our souls,

And in answer, you have come to us, lived among us, taught and healed us, demonstrated what the good life looks like;

Then died, to reveal the value of this life you offer.

You alone know, O God, what we need to satisfy our need,

to lead us to the life we instinctively seek,

And in answer, you have opened the door to life for us, constantly whispered to us of your love and grace,

and gently nudged us in the direction of our best life.

And so, now, as you come to us again, as your life is proclaimed to us again,

we praise you Risen and Living One, for the truly good life we find in you. Amen.

*HYMN 227 “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

***1 Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood,
from thy wounded side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure,
save from wrath and make me pure.***

***2 Not the labors of my hands
can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know,
could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone;
thou must save and thou alone.***

***3 Nothing in my hand I bring,
simply to the cross I cling;***

*naked, come to thee for dress,
helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the fountain fly,
wash me, Savior, or I die!*

*4 While I draw this fleeting breath,
when my eyes shall close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown,
see thee on thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,
let me hide myself in thee.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Though it may seem to us that evil spreads like a virus, though it may feel naïve to resist it, we choose to believe that your spirit's fruit can satisfy a world that hungers for healing.

And so: Wherever hatred and suspicion divide people and fragment communities,

we will pass on love.

Wherever sorrow and cynicism leave the dark stain of despair,

we will pass on joy.

Wherever violence and abuse shatter lives and destroy the earth,

we will pass on peace.

Wherever expediency and the quest for quick fixes create confusion and need,

we will pass on patience.

Wherever heartlessness and selfishness cause loneliness and exclusion,

we will pass on kindness.

Wherever evil and darkness steal away hope and integrity,

we will pass on goodness.

Wherever aggression and coercion remove freedom and playfulness,

we will pass on gentleness.

Wherever self-interest and shallowness undermine relationships and stability,

we will pass on faithfulness.

Wherever lawlessness and carelessness generate chaos and fear,

we will pass on self-control.

Though it may take our best energy and our most enduring commitment, We pray for the courage and the faith to answer your call, to resist whatever devils we may face, and to pass on your abundant life.

***In Jesus' Name,
Amen.***

TAIZÉ MEDITATION "The Lord is My Light" (3 times)

***The Lord is my light, my light and salvation:
in God I trust, in God I trust.***

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, it's a shameful thing

when you've sent invitations to all who will come and we stand at the door and turn people away.

It's shameful how we find ways to justify, in your name,

the lines we draw between us, the exclusions and suspicions, the greed and power-plays, that harm the least, and protect our special interests.

And so we pray:

Lift us above our pettiness and self-protection, and use us as your agents of justice and mercy;

May your grace

open our doors, stretch out our arms and turn our attention to the excluded, rejected and neglected ones.

May your wisdom

teach our minds, open our hearts and challenge our apathy to find solutions to the conflicts and self-created threats in our world.

May Your love
*release our energies, ignite our abilities and inspire our
action...*
to heal
those who carry the scars of abuse, war and disease,
to comfort
those who grieve the loss of loved ones or opportunities,
to restore
the ones who have failed or fallen,
to nurture
*the life that breaks out in every person and every part of our
planet.*
And make us heralds of your kingdom
who extend your invitation to all who will listen. Amen.

TAIZÉ MEDITATION “Jesus Remember Me” (3 times)

*Jesus, remember me
when you come into your Kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your Kingdom.*

THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

DEACON’S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Ellen Buono

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.*

SOLO “10,000 Reasons”

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 14:32-39, Luke 22:43-46, Matthew 26:44-46

They went to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples,
“Sit here while I pray.” He took with him Peter and James and John,
and began to be distressed and agitated. And he said to them, “I am

deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and keep awake.” And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him. He said, “Abba, Father, for you all things are possible; remove this cup from me; yet, not what I want, but what you want.” He came and found them sleeping; and he said to Peter, “Simon, are you asleep? Could you not keep awake one hour? Keep awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” And again he went away and prayed, saying the same words.

Then an angel from heaven appeared to him and gave him strength. In his anguish he prayed more earnestly, and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down on the ground. When he got up from prayer, he came to the disciples and found them sleeping because of grief, and he said to them, “Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not come into the time of trial.”

So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words. Then he came to the disciples and said to them, “Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? See, the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up, let us be going. See, my betrayer is at hand.”

THE MORNING MESSAGE “Praying as Jesus Prays”

***HYMN “They’ll Know We Are Christians By Our Love”**

***We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

***We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.***

***We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride.***

*And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

***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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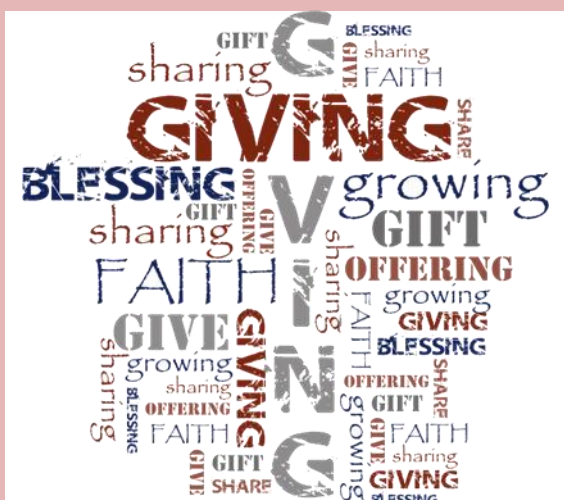
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GENERAL NOTICES

Wednesday, June 29

7:30-9:00pm – Consistory will meet in the Gathering Room.
Elders will meet in Rev. Cornwell’s office at 6:30 pm.

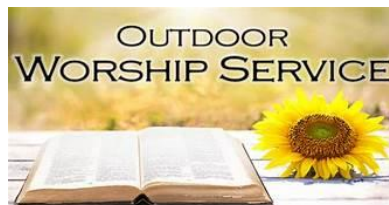
Friday, July 1

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



The June Mission of the Month is Capital Region Sponsor-A-Scholar, “a nonprofit organization that strives to improve lives by giving young people access to education, support and resources that may be otherwise unavailable.” Their mission is, “to provide specialized programs, mentoring, professional guidance, and academic and financial support for qualifying high school students in the Capital Region. By assembling a network of business leaders, educational advocates, and dedicated volunteers, promising youth are provided opportunity and access to higher education that may be otherwise unavailable.”

To support Sponsor-A-Scholar, you may make a donation through your yellow **June “Mission of the Month”** offering envelope, by check payable to CRCC with “Sponsor-A-Scholar” on the memo line, or directly through their website: <https://crsas.org/donate/>



May 22 thru September 4, 2022
9 AM

This service will also be livestreamed on Zoom and posted later on YouTube.

During the summer, the outdoor service will be Zoom only:

- if the outdoor temperature is below 55 degrees
- if there is precipitation or the threat of precipitation
- if there is wind interference with the sound system
- or other weather-related conditions that would interfere with conducting a worshipful service.

The decision for worship location will be made by the participating worship leadership one hour prior to the service and the congregation will be notified by email.

Nursery Provider Needed! We have been blessed to have Emma York take care of our youngest parishioners this year. She has been a ray of sunshine during a challenging year. Next year will see exciting changes for Emma, as she heads off to college. We are, therefore, seeking a new individual to protect and care for children ages 3 and younger during worship services beginning in August. Applicants need to be caring, reliable, responsible, punctual, have prior childcare experience, and be at least 17 years of age. Interested individuals should contact Sarah Huiest, (crccsarah@gmail.com) for more information.

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

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



Prayer E-Chain

Please email prayer requests to:

Sandy Cornwell
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Karen Latta
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Daily Scripture Readings

Monday - 2 Kings 5:1-14
Tuesday - Psalm 30
Wednesday - Isaiah 66:10-14
Thursday - Psalm 66:1-9
Friday - Galatians 6:1-16
Saturday - Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
Sunday - Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Household Prayer: Morning

God of renewal and joy,
thank you for a night of rest, for home,
for companionship,
and for all the gifts of Earth that make our lives possible.
Give us this day the sustenance needed
for the work we have ahead of us.
Keep our vision clear and our resolve strong.
Bless us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

For this day, O God, we give you thanks.
In all the joys that came our way,
the challenges that showed us more about your world,
the people who made our meals and journeys,
you revealed your care.
Keep us now this night from harm
that when we rise from sleep,
we will again give thanks and praise to you.
Bless us, in Jesus' name. Amen.

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