

The Second Sunday after Pentecost June 2, 2024 Order of Service – 9:00 AM

Please tune your radio to station 88.9 FM

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.

This is Communion Sunday. If you wish to receive gluten free bread, please inform the elder or the pastor before the Service begins.

FOR CONTEMPLATION

"Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of your plans for us. Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity. And by grace we'll stand on your promises, and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord, till your church is built, and the earth is filled with your glory."

Verse 3 of "Speak, O Lord" words by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

PRELUDE "Speak, O Lord"

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER'S PRAYER - Karl Coté

INTROIT "Change My Heart, O God"

CALL TO WORSHIP

For all that God can do within us, for all that God can do without us, *Thanks be to God!*

For all in whom Christ lived before us, for all in whom Christ lives beside us,

Thanks be to God!

For all the Spirit wants to bring us, for where the Spirit wants to send us,

Thanks be to God!

Listen, Christ has promised to be with us in our meeting as in our ministry, in our worship and in our work.

Amen! Come, let us worship and serve the Lord!

* HYMN 574 "Lord, Speak to Me"



CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We confess that it is still too easy for us to sacrifice our convictions for convenience, your standards for status, your principles for promotion, your absolutes for our ambition, our souls for shallow and unsatisfying success.

How easily we are seduced by power, prestige, pleasure, or possessions - seduced into violating our integrity or harming our fellowship with you.

From earth's fullest blessing we turn to you today unfulfilled. Forgive our half-hearted devotion and our double-minded spirit. Forgive our failure to follow in the way you have revealed to us. Forgive our selective listening when you speak to us.

In your mercy hear our prayer and grant us the peace of restoration. 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!

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

DEACON'S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD - Kevin Ingalls

ANTHEM "Mighty to Save"

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, we do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from you.

Make us hungry for your Word, that it may nourish us today in the ways of eternal life.

Through Jesus Christ, the bread of life. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

I Samuel 3:1-11

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord. and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if you are called, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening." Then the Lord said to Samuel, "See, I am about to do something in Israel that will make both ears of anyone who hears of it tingle.

II Timothy 4:1-5

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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

THE MORNING MESSAGE - "Selective Listening"

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE CALL TO COMMUNION

We have one Lord, one God, one Savior.

The Holy Spirit makes Christ real to us,
binding us in one, as we share him together.

This is something we do eagerly. *Christ welcomes us here.*

This is something we do seriously.

For this is the moment of greatest intimacy when we take the symbols of the body and blood of the risen Lord.

This is something we do together.

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the presence of the Lord".

*PEACE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts since as members of one body you were called to peace (Colossians 3:15). The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

***OUR PRAISE TO GOD (THE DOXOLOGY)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*****THE PREFACE

***HYMN** "Holy Lord"









THE MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT

The Holy Supper which we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, of communion, and of hope: We remember with joy the grace by which you created all things and made us in your own image.

We rejoice that you called a people in covenant to be a light to the nations.

Yet we rebelled against your will.

In spite of the prophets and pastors sent forth to us, we continued to break your covenant.

In the fullness of time, you sent your only Son to save us.

Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of your favored one,

Mary, sharing our life, Christ reconciled us to your love.

At the Jordan your Spirit descended upon Him, anointing Him to preach the good news of your reign.

He healed the sick and fed the hungry, manifesting the power of your compassion.

He sought out the lost and broke bread with sinners, witnessing the fullness of your grace.

We beheld His glory.

On the night before He died for us, Jesus broke bread and shared the cup with His disciples.

After the meal our Lord was arrested, abandoned by His followers and beaten.

He stood trial and was put to death on a cross.

Having emptied himself in the form of a servant, and being obedient even to death, He was raised from the dead and exalted as Lord of heaven and earth.

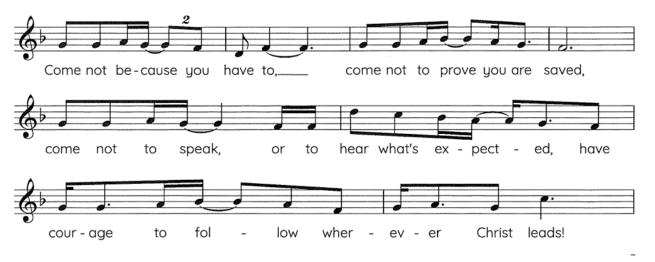
Through him you bestow the gift of your Spirit, uniting your church, empowering its mission and leading us into the new creation you have promised.

By His death, resurrection and ascension, Jesus Christ has obtained for us the life-giving Spirit who unites us all in one body. We therefore receive this Supper in true and unconditional love.

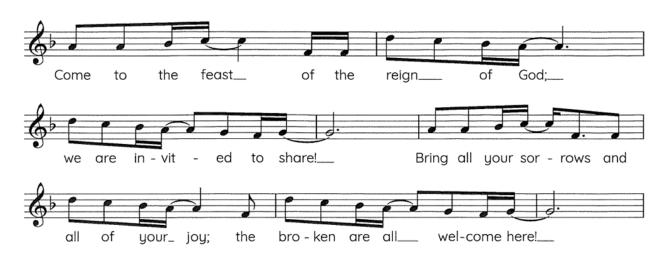
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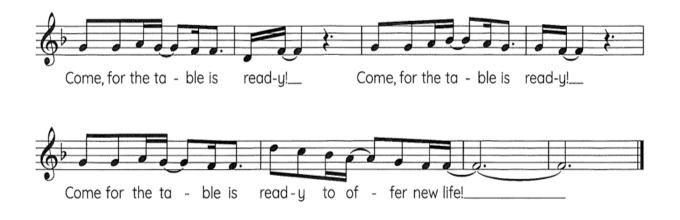
For around this table, you will find your family.



And be open to the ways the Spirit moves among you.



For this is the feast of the reign of God, where the broken are molded into a Beloved Community.



COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious God, we celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Grant that in praise and thanksgiving we may be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight, that our lives may proclaim the mystery of faith:



"GLORY TO BE ALMIGHTY GOD"











COMMUNION

THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Since, dear God, in this place at this table, we have touched, we have tasted, we have heard and we have seen the signs of your love for us, grant that we may go away from this house filled with our love for you and overflowing with your love for those who are around us and who share our lives. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

***HYMN** "The Lord's Prayer"















***BENEDICTION** - from St. Patrick, circa 373

Now, friends, may the strength of God guide us, and the power of God preserve us.

May the wisdom of God instruct us, and the hand of God protect us.

May the way of God direct us, and the shield of God defend us. May the host of God guard us against the evil one's snares, and the temptations of the world.

May Christ be with us, above us, in us, and before us.

May the salvation of the Lord be always ours, today and forevermore. Amen.

***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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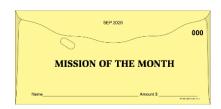
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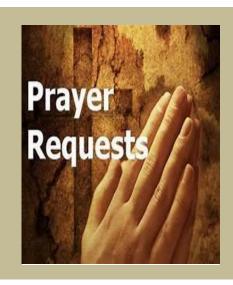
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ZOOM

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