



WYCKOFF

REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God,
Making Disciples of Jesus,
Living Missionally

September 3, 2023

Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit
to The Wyckoff Reformed Church!

HOSPITALITY NOTES

These resources are also available at www.wyckoffreformed.org/worshipguides.
To participate in this service online, join us at wrclive.org or on Facebook Live.

Restrooms are available through the right-hand door at the front of the sanctuary; a quiet room is available through the left-hand door as well.

In the summer, our classrooms are: Nursery (Birth-3) and Kids (ages 4-10). Nursery-aged children may be dropped off in the purple room, next to Heneveld Hall, of the Education Building before worship starts. THIS IS A CHANGE due to construction in the nursery room. Kids will start the service with their family and be dismissed to their lesson after the Family Moment, to the youth room.

Guardians: please check in your children on the iPad upon arrival.

You'll receive two stickers. Your child must wear their nametag. You will save the guardian receipt and turn that into your child's Sunday school teacher upon picking them up.

All students may be picked up from their classrooms in the Education Building. Please note that the doors to the Education Building will be closed from 9:30-10:30am for the safety of our students. A number is provided on the front door, should you need access during this time. Thank You.

Prayer Cards are available in the backs of the pews and on the table as you enter. If you would like our community to be praying for something, please fill one out and place it in the offering plates in the middle of the service.

Bold sections will be read aloud together.

* Invites you to rise in body or in spirit.

Communion is served this morning by intinction and with prepackaged elements. Two stations in the center aisle will be intinction, the station to the side will have pre-packaged and gluten-free elements. You will be offered bread to tear off a piece and a cup in which to dip the bread and then eat. The elders with prepackaged elements will make their way around the sanctuary to serve those in need of assistance after the others have been served.

Want to get connected, learn more, or grow in your faith?
Fill out the connection card at www.wyckoffreformed.org/connect.

HEIDELBERG CATECHISM Q&A 57 & 58

Q. How does “the resurrection of the body” comfort you?

A. Not only will my soul be taken immediately after this life to Christ its head, but also my very flesh will be raised by the power of Christ, reunited with my soul and made like Christ’s glorious body.

Q. How does the article concerning “life everlasting” comfort you?

A. Even as I already now experience in my heart the beginning of eternal joy, so after this life I will have perfect blessedness such as no eye has seen, no ear has heard, no human heart has ever imagined: a blessedness in which to praise God forever.

GATHERED BY GOD

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

“Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth, **Amen.**”

LIGHTING THE CANDLE

Jesus Christ

is the Light of the World.

The Light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness did not overcome it.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

“I am the resurrection and the life,” says the Lord.

May Christ’s rising lift our spirits and gladden our hearts.

Alleluia! Amen.

All those who believe in Christ will never perish

But receive life everlasting.

Alleluia! Amen.

Christ has gone to prepare a place for us

and he will one day bring us to himself.

May his resurrection bring us joy and peace in believing
so that we may abound in hope.

Alleluia! Amen.

Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—
To you be honor and glory and praise!
Alleluia! Amen.

***SONG OF PRAISE**

“MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS”

PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

O Christ, in your resurrection
the heavens and the earth rejoice. Alleluia!

By your resurrection you broke open the gates of hell
and destroyed sin and death.

Keep us victorious over sin.

By your resurrection you raised the dead
and brought us from death to life.

Guide us in the way of eternal life.

By your resurrection you call us into resurrection life—steadfast, immovable in
the work of the Lord.

Give us hope and joy in our labor.

By your resurrection you proclaimed good news and brought salvation to the
whole world.

Anoint our lives to proclaim the gospel.

God of mercy,

we no longer look for Jesus among the dead,
for he is alive and has become the Lord of life.

From the waters of death you raise us with him
and renew your gift of life within us.

Increase in our minds and hearts
the risen life we share with Christ,
and help us to grow as your people
toward the fullness of eternal life with you,
through Christ, our Lord,

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

***PROMISE OF GRACE**

1 PETER 1:3-5 NRSV

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

***SONG OF PRAISE**

"HE WILL HOLD ME FAST"

***SHARING CHRIST'S PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you! And also with you.

FAMILY MOMENT: GOD SIGHTINGS

OFFERING

Giving our offerings is an important action that symbolizes the gift of our whole lives to Christ in gratitude for all He has given us. We give cheerfully and joyously, not out of guilt or shame. You may give your offering by placing it in the plate as you receive it from your neighbor and pass it down your row. You may also give online at www.wyckoffreformed.org/give, or text an amount to 201-849-1436. If you give electronically, consider placing an electronic giving card in the plate as a symbol of your gift!

***DOXOLOGY**

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

LISTENING TO GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

1 THESSALONIANS 4: 13-18

SERMON

"WE BELIEVE: THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY"

Rev. Andy Kadzban

SERMON NOTES

RESPONDING TO GOD

*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Communion is served this morning by intinction and with prepackaged elements. Two stations in the center aisle will be intinction, the station to the side will have pre-packaged and gluten-free elements. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please ask an usher. If you are joining us from home, please feel free to join in communion as well! This is the table of Christ, and he welcomes ALL who are trusting in him for their salvation. Come, drink deeply and eat heartily, the body and blood of Jesus Christ!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***SENDING SONG**

"LO! HE COMES WITH CLOUDS DESCENDING" #479

***SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Please join us after worship under the Welcome Tent for lemonade, cookies, and fellowship.

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

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WEEKLY EVENTS

BIBLE STUDY, Wednesdays at 9:00 am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91413616383?pwd=QmVKd3djNU5mdVYyQlNwQ3crbTNvQT09>

Pastor Andy is going back to his normal hours starting this week and is available Sunday-Thursday each week.

The office will be closed Monday, September 4 in observance of Labor Day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

KICKOFF SUNDAY! SEPTEMBER 10 AT 9:30AM

We have all sorts of exciting things happening on Kickoff Sunday! We will have outdoor worship, when we will begin our Fall sermon series "Love One Another." We'll commission Sunday school and nursery school teachers and start Sunday school. We will also have a backpack blessing so be sure that the kids bring their backpacks to worship.

POTLUCK LUNCH SEPTEMBER 10

After Worship, we will have a potluck lunch in the playground parking lot to continue the Kickoff Sunday celebration. WRC will provide pulled pork, hot dogs and drinks. Attendees are invited to bring a side, salad, dessert, or anything else you'd like. All are invited to attend, even if you aren't able to bring a dish.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are excited to welcome back our students and leaders as we kick off Sunday School on September 10. Our classrooms are: Nursery (Birth-3), Kids (ages 4-9), and Students (ages 10-13). Nursery-aged children may be dropped off before worship starts. Kids and Students will start the service with their families and will be walked over to their lesson after the Family Moment. We can't wait to see you!

WRC NURSERY SCHOOL CELEBRATES 50 YEARS!

The Wyckoff Reformed Church Nursery School opened its doors on September 11, 1973 and school will begin on the same day, 50 years later! Join us for worship on September 10, where this milestone will be honored. Please also mark your calendars as we will have a bigger celebration on Saturday, October 14. More information to follow! If you may have pictures of yourself or your kids who attended or worked at the nursery school in the year it opened, be sure to bring them to the church office so they can be incorporated into the celebration!

SUMMER BOOK CLUB GATHERING!

If you joined the Summer Book Club and read Winn Collier's *Love Big, Be Well* this summer, join us for our end-of-summer celebration and conversation on September 9 at 5pm at the Parsonage (591 Wyckoff Ave, Wyckoff, NJ). We'll gather in the backyard to share food and talk about the book. RSVP to Pastor Andy (andyk@wyckoffreformed.org).

FAMILY MINISTRY

FAMILY MINISTRY FALL SCHEDULE

We are so excited to begin the year with our fun, full, fall calendar! Check it out by scanning the QR code. Events are open to any guardian with kids.



YOUTH GROUP FALL SCHEDULE

*Check out our fall calendar! Please note that we have two fun events this week. A Y2K girls party on September 9 and a boy's event on September 12. Youth Group officially launches on September 17 at Ponds Reformed!



CALENDAR

Sunday, September 3

9:30 AM Sunday Worship
10:30 AM Fellowship Hour

Monday, September 4

Office Closed

Wednesday, September 6

9:00AM Zoom Bible Study

Saturday, September 9

5:00PM Summer Book Club Gathering
6:00PM Y2K Youth Group Girls

Sunday, September 10

9:30 AM Sunday Worship / Fall Kickoff
10:30 AM Potluck Lunch

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