

# WYCKOFF REFORMED CHURCH

Worshiping God, Making Disciples of Jesus, Living Missionally

May 1, 2022

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.

If you need to use a restroom, they 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.

Masks are recommended for all those in attendance. Note that all those singing and leading from the front are fully vaccinated.

Today is a Family Sunday! Infants and children (birth-3 years old) may be taken to the nursery in the blue room of our Education Building upon your arrival and before heading outside to worship. All other children will begin the service with their families. There will be an interactive family moment during the service that all children will be invited to participate in and then kids in preschool through second grade will be walked over to their lesson in the Education building while older children will be invited to stay in the sanctuary with their families.

# Bold sections will be read aloud together.

\* Invites you to rise in body or in spirit.

We will be celebrating communion today during worship. Individual sealed cups of grape juice and packets of crackers (including a gluten free option) are available in the narthex when you arrive. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please ask an usher.

# **GATHERED BY GOD**

"Nothing is more practical than finding God, than falling in Love in a quite absolute, final way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything. It will decide what will get you out of bed in the morning, what you do with your evenings, how you spend your weekends, what you read, whom you know, what breaks your heart, and what amazes you with joy and gratitude. Fall in Love, stay in love, and it will decide everything."

-Attributed to Fr. Pedro Arrupe SJ

#### **GATHERING MUSIC**

#### WELCOME

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

Grace to you and peace from God our father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

## LIGHTING THE CANDLE

One: Jesus Christ

All: is the Light of the World.

One: The Light shines in the darkness,

All: and the darkness did not overcome it.

## INVITATION TO WORSHIP

"THE INVITATION"

By Mary Oliver

Oh do you have time to linger for just a little while out of your busy

and very important day for the goldfinches that have gathered in a field of thistles for a musical battle, to see who can sing the highest note, or the lowest,

or the most expressive of mirth, or the most tender?
Their strong, blunt beaks drink the air

as they strive melodiously not for your sake and not for mine

and not for the sake of winning but for sheer delight and gratitude believe us, they say, it is a serious thing

just to be alive on this fresh morning in the broken world. I beg of you,

do not walk by without pausing to attend to this rather ridiculous performance.

It could mean something.
It could mean everything.
It could be what Rilke meant, when he wrote:
You must change your life.

#### **\*SONGS OF PRAISE**

"COME AWAY FROM RUSH AND HURRY" #527 "PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY" #575

#### PRAYER FOR RENEWAL

Jesus said I am the bread of life. I am the light of the world. I am the resurrection and the life. I am the way, the truth, and the life. I am the true vine.

Jesus, we are a people with busy and distracted lives. It makes it difficult to fall down in worship. It makes it difficult to adore you, to abide in you. Forgive us, Lord. In your mercy, gather up our wandering thoughts and wayward desires. Set our eyes and hearts on you, Jesus, for you are the center. You are the one necessary thing in our lives. You are the best, the most glorious, most worthy gift we have. Only in you are we whole, only in you are we at rest.

#### PROMISE OF GRACE

"ALL THY FULLNESS"

#### **FAMILY MOMENT**

Kat Naumann

#### OFFERING

We respond to the love and grace of Jesus by giving back our whole lives to God in worship. In this offering, we give our financial gifts as a symbol that all we have comes from God and is to be used for God's glory. Please continue to support us! To give your gift online visit <a href="www.wyckoffreformed.org/give">www.wyckoffreformed.org/give</a> or feel free to mail your offering.

**OFFERTORY** 

"LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER"

By: J. Gallina Chancel Choir

## \*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 LUKE 10:38-42

**SERMON** Sara Christie

**SERMON NOTES** 

# RESPONDING TO GOD

# \*APOSTLES' CREED

We join our voices together with Christians throughout the ages and across the world to proclaim these words:

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

As we celebrate communion this week, we are excited to again provide communion elements to those who would like to celebrate the Lord's Supper with us. There are small pre-filled and factory sealed cups of grape juice and individual packets of crackers (including a gluten free option) available in the narthex when you arrive. 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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

\*SONG OF SENDING

"BE THOU MY VISION" #859

SENT WITH GOD'S BLESSING

NUMBERS 6:24-26

**POSTLUDE** 

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Joyce Wolff, Eileen Black, Barbara Dreyer, Brad Ritter, Lou Martens, John Kerin, Donna, Teagan Christophersen, Patricia Scalise, Cheryl, Tara Thomas, Donny, Larry, Jane Taylor, Rick, Melissa, Cyndi Bach, Gordon Dobson, Michael Kathy Chapman, Emma Thor, Mike, Larry Journell, Henry Jaarsma, David Murdock, Neal Schlendorf, Frank, Dick Robbins, Ruth Grape, Rob Arnold, Pam Ritter, David Eicher, Lauren, George, Jack Broderick, Donald Moore

#### **WEEKLY EVENTS**

Morning Prayers will be held in the sanctuary at 10am on Tuesdays and on Zoom.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83734077031?pwd=WXdQTDUybmJvV24yM1BTV 3hHNHhuZz09

Bible study on Zoom 10am on Wednesdays to discuss the upcoming sermon text.

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

Evening Prayers will be held at 7:30pm on Thursdays on Zoom only. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83734077031?pwd=WXdQTDUybmJvV24yM1BTV3hHNHhuZz09

## COFFEE AND BAGELS

Please join us after service this morning in Heneveld Hall for coffee, bagels and fellowship! We are so excited to be able to return to this wonderful WRC community tradition!

JOIN PASTOR ANDY after worship Sunday to hear about his Doctor of Ministry studies up to this point.

#### WRC WOMEN'S MEETING

Our next WRC Women's Meeting will be on May 11, 2022 at 12:30 PM in Heneveld Hall. We are looking forward to a wonderful afternoon of friendship and socializing while engaging in an entertaining mystery activity. There will be snacks and prizes provided by Joan, Diane, and Sandy. You won't want to miss the fun!

#### WRCNS GIVING GARDEN

Each summer, the bounty of vegetables from our Giving Garden, located just outside the nursery school entrance, is donated to Oasis - a Haven for Women and Children in Paterson. The produce is delivered weekly and is used to feed the children and families of their community. The nursery school children help start some of the seeds in early spring. Once they have sprouted, they help plant them but, usually that's where the journey ends. We would like to provide an opportunity for all our families and children (nursery school and church) to be more involved with the garden over the summer months. Caring for our garden is a lot of work!

Please visit our signup genius here to sign up to help our resident farmer, Jim Dreyer, take care of the garden over the summer. He will be available for further guidance since the workload will vary from week to week. There is no time requirement. Any time you can give during your week is appreciated and helpful! As your week approaches, we will reach out with more information about how you can help during your volunteer week! Jim and I are always nearby!

Blessings,

Kat

## **FAMILY MINISTRY UPCOMING EVENTS**

YOUTH GROUP CAR WASH

SATURDAY, MAY 14TH 9:00AM - 12:00PM

Come get the pollen cleaned off your car! The combined Youth Groups from Wyckoff Reformed and Ponds Reformed Churches will be having a fundraising car wash. While there is no cost to get your car washed, donations are greatly appreciated. All donations received will go directly to the cost of this summer's mission trip to Maine.

#### FAMILY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We're excited to invite our young families to our very first Family VBS on August 15th, 16th, and 18th from 5:30pm-8:00pm. Dinner will be served followed by rotations through a Bible story, craft, and game. This VBS is open to families with rising preschoolers to rising third graders. (Roughly 3-9 years old). Any caregiver is welcome to participate. Older siblings are welcome to attend with their families. Register at <a href="https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/family-vbs-registration">https://www.wyckoffreformed.org/family-vbs-registration</a> or contact Sara Christie for more information.

#### BIBLE DEDICATION

All Kindergarten and First grade students are invited to choose and receive a children's Bible. This is a meaningful moment in a child's faith journey! We will have a formal dedication service on June 5th to present it to them. Please contact Sara Christie, sarac@wyckoffreformed.org, to receive a Bible!

#### MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

LIGHTHOUSE PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER BABY SHOWER - MAY 1 & 8, 2022

Life decisions need life support! That's why Lighthouse serves parents facing pregnancy or related concerns. Last year 503 babies were born to Lighthouse moms. To assist these new parents who have chosen life, Lighthouse distributes over 100,000 diapers and other essential aid in a typical year. They can't provide this valuable life support without your generosity. On May 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> we will once again be collecting the NEW items listed below to help those families. Items may be brought to the church or left on the table outside Heneveld Hall. If you have any questions please contact Jeanne Sico at jeane17623@aol.com or 201-790-4473. For more information on all that Lighthouse provides its clients please visit <a href="www.lighthouseprc.org">www.lighthouseprc.org</a>. New and/or unopened:

- diapers & wipes
- infant formula & baby food
- pacifiers & rattles
- infant and toddler clothing (up to 2T/3T)
- handmade baby blankets

#### RCA GLOBAL MISSION UKRANIAN SUPPORT

RCA Global Mission announced this week that they have raised \$130,104 to date that total keeps rising. They continue to work closely with their partners and missionaries on the ground in Hungary and Romania to help respond to the humanitarian crisis that is unfolding before our very eyes in Ukraine. If you have not yet donated and would like to join in giving to help those in need you can donate online at www.rca.org/give/2022-european-crisis-response or send your check, made out to "Reformed Church in America," and designated "European Crisis Fund" to Reformed Church in America, Attn: Finance Dept., 4500 60th St. SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49512. Thank you for your ongoing support!

# CALENDAR

Sunday, May 1

9:30 AM Sunday Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Coffee Hour

10:30 AM Lighthouse Baby Shower Drive

Tuesday, May 3

10:00 AM Morning Prayers

Wednesday, May 4

10:00 AM Zoom Bible Study 6:30 PM Choir Practice Thursday, May 5

7:30 PM Evening Prayers 7:30 PM Sr. High Bible Study

Saturday, May 7

4:30 PM Youth Group Fire Pit

Sunday, May 8

9:30 AM Sunday Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Lighthouse Baby Shower Drive

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