

Hurley Reformed Church  
Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany  
February 16, 2025; 10:00am  
Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
**OUR APPROACH TO GOD**

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Long ago, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;

**All: now God has spoken to us by the Son.**

Leader: God made the world through the Son, who has been appointed heir of all things and the perfect reflection of God's glory.

**All: The Son is the exact representation of God's being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.**

Leader: Praise God for the gift of the Son.

**All: We welcome the light of the world!**

\*HYMN OF APPROACH: #17 "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

**Gracious Lord, we come to you confessing that we have been too easily satisfied. We have contented ourselves with the minimum of following your law and that is all. We have fallen short of what you have called us to be and to do. But you have called us to something more. Help us Lord to not just follow your law but also live it out and follow it in our hearts. In your holy name we pray, Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON [Words and music found on the inside cover of hymnal.]

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

\*RESPONSIVE READING (From the Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 1)

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**All: That I am not my own, but belong-body and soul, in life and in death-to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.**

Leader: He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,

**All: and set me free from the tyranny of the devil.**

Leader: He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my father in heaven,

**All: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.**

Leader: Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit,

**All: Assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

\*GLORIA PATRI [Words and music found on inside cover of hymnal.]

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**THE WORD OF GOD**

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION: #696 "I Love to Tell the Story"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Old Testament: Psalm 1 (pg 433)

New Testament: Luke 6:17-26 (pg. 833)

SERMON: "When Woes Get a Blessing, and Blessing Get Woe"

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY [Words and music found on inside cover of hymnal.]

PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debt/debtors)

\*HYMN OF CONSECRATION: #237 "Lift High the Cross"

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand if you are able*

## Welcome to Hurley Reformed Church!

With joy we welcome your presence among us today. Let the words of the psalmist set the tone of our worship: "Sing praises to the LORD, O you faithful ones, and give thanks to his holy name--joy comes with the morning" (Psalm 30:4-5 NSRV)

**In Person and Zoom Worship** happens at 10am!

**Ushers assisting in the service** are Jeanne Quenzer and Russ Voigtlaender

**Please join us** in Schadewald Hall after worship for refreshments!

**Flowers on the altar** are provided by

**Leading us in song** is Joy Pollard

**Mission of the month will be** The Red Cross relief effort for Asheville NC and we will collect mac and Cheese for Bread of Life Food Pantry

**Reach out to those who need your support in their day to day needs:**

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Bev Roosa is at the Terraces at Brookmeade; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Terry Conlin; Shirley Burns

**Audio recordings** of the weekly sermon are available on our website, [HurleyReformedChurch.org](http://HurleyReformedChurch.org).



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### Consistory 2025

#### Elders

Dennis Crosswell, *Senior Elder*  
Marilyn More  
Walter Cook  
Christopher Decker, *IT*  
Margaret Sass, *Clerk*  
Bill Baldinger

#### Deacons

Allan Dumas, *Finance*  
Russ Voigtlaender, *Property & Maintenance*  
Jeanne Quenzer, *Program & Activities*  
Aileen Helsley, *Youth Ministry*  
Dino Sumerano, *Worship*  
Terri Gaffken, *Missions*

Rev. Charles E. Stickley, *Pastor Emeritus*

**Stickley Gardens Columbarium** . . . A sacred place of beauty and contemplation.

*(Located on the south lawn of the church.)*

The lone candle on the chancel is our Peace Candle. It represents this church's support for the men and women in military service, and our prayer that one day we will live in a world where their sacrifice is no longer needed.

## Hurley Reformed Church Hurley, New York

The Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich  
Minister of Word and Sacrament

*Welcome*

*May the doors of this church be wide enough  
to receive all who need human love and fellowship, and a Father's care;  
and narrow enough to shut out all envy and hate.*

*Enter to Worship*

*Depart to Serve*

## #17 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful, we adore You, God of glory, Lord of light;  
Angels lifting praise before You Sing thro'-out this holy night.  
In a manger lies a Baby child of Mary, Son of God.  
Voices joined in joyful chorus Praise You for Your gift of love.

All Your works declare Your glory; All creation joins to sing.  
Praise resounds as earth rejoices In the birth of Christ, the King.  
Shepherds kneel before the Infant. Trumpets sound and anthems raise  
As with joy our hearts are lifted, Joined in wonder, love and praise.

## #696 I Love to Tell the Story

1. I love to tell the story Of unseen things above,  
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.  
I love to tell the story Because I know 'tis true.  
It satisfies my longings As nothing else can do.

*Refrain:*

*I love to tell the story!  
'Twill be my theme in glory  
To tell the old, old story  
Of Jesus and His love.*

2. I love to tell the story; More wonderful it seems  
Than all the golden fancies Of all our golden dreams.  
I love to tell the story; it did so much for me,  
And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.

*Refrain:*

3. I love to tell the story; 'Tis pleasant to repeat  
What seems each time I tell it More wonderfully sweet.  
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard  
The message of salvation From God's own holy Word.

*Refrain:*

4. I love to tell the story; For those who know it best  
Seem hungering and thirsting To hear it like the rest.  
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song,  
'Twill be the old, old story That I have loved so long.

*Refrain:*

## #237 Lift High the Cross

*Refrain:*

*Lift high the cross; the love of Christ proclaim,  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.*

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,  
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

*Refrain*

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.

*Refrain*

O Lord, once lifted on this glorious tree,  
As Thou hast promised, draw men unto Thee.

*Refrain*

Set up Thy throne, that earth's despair may cease  
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace.

*Refrain*

For Thy blest cross which doth for all atone,  
Creation's praise rise before Thy throne.

*Refrain*

## Announcements-February 16, 2025

### Activities this week:

Monday: 1:00pm Tai Chi in Schadewald Hall  
6:30pm Al-Anon in Schadewald Hall  
Tuesday: 9:00am Bible Study in the Dutch Room  
Thursday: 4:15pm Karate in Schadewald Hall  
Friday: 12:00pm Knitters in the Dutch Room  
Saturday: 9:00am Karate in Schadewald Hall

**The mission for February** will be the relief effort for Asheville NC. After Hurricane Helene, thousands were left homeless or without power and water. The Red Cross offers shelter, food and relief items to those in need. We will also collect mac and cheese for the Bread of Life food pantry. Thank you for remembering those in need of our help and support

**Our 2025 Flower and Refreshments** signup sheets are posted in the hall for anyone that would like to sign up for a date!

**On March 5th** we will gather together to celebrate Ash Wednesday at 6:30pm. If you aren't able to make it to worship that day, feel free come in and get ashes during the day.

**The Mental Health Association of Ulster County** is having their annual fundraiser - Bouquets of Anemones For Mental Health. Please considering helping by purchasing a bouquet for \$15., Debbie Decker can take your order today, or you can order online at:

<https://www.mhainulster.com/2025-anemones-for-mental-health-fundraiser/>