Hurley Reformed Church
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 18, 2026; 10am
Rev. William Appleyard-Pekich, Pastor

## MORNING WORSHIP
## OUR APPROACH TO GOD

PRELUDE

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CALL TO WORSHIP
Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills-- from where will my help come?
**All: My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.**
Leader: He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.
**All: He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**
Leader: The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.
**All: The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night.**
Leader: The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
**All: The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.**

*HYMN OF APPROACH: **#2 "Holy, Holy, Holy"**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:
**Gracious God, we come before you too often with heads held high thinking how great we are. We forget that we are sinners, and that we are all in need of the same thing. We all need your forgiveness, and your power to restore the brokenness in our lives. Gracious God, forgive us sinners, who are all in need of your grace. Hear our prayers, which we bring in your name, Amen**

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS AND SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW

*RESPONSIVE READING
Leader: O sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.
**All: Sing to the LORD; bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.**
Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.
**All: For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods.**
Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.
**All: Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**
Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
**All: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come into his courts.**
Leader: Worship the LORD in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.
**All: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar and all that fills it;**
Leader: let the field exult and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
**All: before the LORD, for he is coming, for he is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with his truth.**

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN OF PREPARATION: **#677 "Blessed Be the Tie that Binds"**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:
Old Testament: Isaiah 45:1-7 (pg. 583)
New Testament: Matthew 22:15-22 (pg. 798)

SERMON: "What God Really Wants"

## 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: **#33 "How Great Thou Art"**

*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)

**Nursery care** is available during Sunday worship.

**Kindly silence your cellphone during the Service.**

**Our Scripture Reader** today is

**Ushers assisting in the service** are Jeanne Quenzer and Dino Sumerano

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

**Sanctuary Flowers** are placed in memory of Luka Appleyard-Pekich, Theresa Appleyard and Bill and Barb Pekich

**Leading us in song** is Jeffery Seitz

**Our Mission for October is** Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child.

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

Judy Bell (Terry Gaffken's mom) needs prayers; Lori Pinkham is in Wingate at Ulster; Terry Conlin; and Russ Glass

**Audio recordings** of the weekly sermon are available on our website, HurleyReformedChurch.org.

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Dino Sumerano, *Worship*

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**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.

# Serving God & Neighbor

Since 1801

# Hurley Reformed Church

Hurley, New York

*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*

## #2 Holy, Holy, Holy

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
   Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
   Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!
   God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,
   Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
   Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,
   Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

3. Holy, holy, holy! Tho' the darkness hide Thee,
   Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;
   Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
   Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
   All Thy works shall praise Thy Name,
   in earth, and sky, and sea.
   Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty!
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## #677 Blessed Be the Tie that Binds

1. Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

2. Before our Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

3. We share our mutual woes,
Our mutual burdens bear;
And often for each other flows
The sympathizing tear.

4. When we asunder part,
It gives us inward pain;
But we shall still be joined in heart,
And hope to meet again.

## #33 How Great Thou Art

O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r thro'out the universe displayed.

Refrain:
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee.
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
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When thro' the woods and forests glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees,
When I look down from lofty mountains grandeur
And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze,

Refrain

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Refrain

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!
Then I shall bow in humble adoration
And there proclaim: my God, how great Thou art!

Refrain

# Announcements-October 18, 2026

**Events this week:**

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| Monday: | 6:30pm Al-Anon in Schadewald Hall |
| Tuesday: | 9:00am Bible Study in the Dutch Room |
| Thursday: | 9:30am OFA Movement Class |
| | 4:30pm Karate in Schadewald Hall |
| | 4:00pm HNS Truck or Treat |
| Friday: | 8:00am Sew and So in room six |
| | 1:00pm Knitters in the Dutch Room |
| Saturday: | 9:00am Karate in Schadewald Hall |

**We're pleased to introduce Zeffy,** our new online giving system! Zeffy provides a simple and secure way to support our church through online donations and giving. To give online, visit our church website and click **"Donate"** at the bottom of the page. Thank you for your generosity and for supporting our church!

**Join our Youth Group** that will meet from 5-6:30 on the Second and Fourth Sunday. For Middle and High School age.

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**Pray Chain-**If you have any updates for our prayer chain please contact Pat Baker; 845-331-2556 or pbaker727@yahoo.com

**Please remember to fill out and hand in your family profile form**. This will help us keep our system updated with your most current information. Forms can be found in the Narthex and the monthly Spire. Please see Jeanne Quenzer during coffee hour with any questions.

**Church Clean-up day** will be Oct. 24 at 9am please see Russ Voigtlaender with any questions.

**Upcoming Events:**

**Pecans are Coming!** We are once again selling pecans at church. We will have plain, milk, dark and caramel clusters, all for $15 per bag. Pre- sales will start on Oct 4, with a sign-up sheet available during coffee hour. The pecans should arrive in early November. These fan favorites go quickly so don't miss your opportunity to get yours! Thank you!

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