

THIS WEEK

Sunday, October 16th 22nd Sunday after Pentecost	8:45 am	Music Room	Sr. Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Sanctuary	Worship Service
	9:45 am	Education Bldg	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Music Room	Youth Choir
		Room 104	Cherubs
		Lounge	Worship Committee
		Fellowship Hall	Coffee Hour
Monday, October 17th	7 pm	Lounge	Gratitude Circle
Tuesday, October 18th	7 pm	Lounge	Congregational Care
Wednesday, October 19th	7 pm	Music Room	Bells
Thursday, October 20th	10 am	Salvation Army	Soup Kitchen
	7:30 pm	Sanctuary	Sr. Choir Rehearsal
Saturday, October 22nd	10 am	Ann Duncan's home	Book Club
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The Niskayuna Reformed Church
 3041 TROY-SCHENECTADY ROAD
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 FOUNDED IN 1750

Each member and friend
 The Reverend Jason Fulkerson
 Paul Alois
 Rebecca Benjamin
 Andrew Burger
 Ellen Gauna
 Norma Lovell
 Kathy Mausert
 Lester Perlee
 Wendy Sims
 Rick Wallace

Ministers
 Pastor
 Treasurer
 Organist
 Director of Music
 Church Administrator
 Director of Bell Choir
 Director of Nursery School
 Cemetery Superintendent
 Teacher, Nursery School
 Church Sexton

NRC Mission Statement

Our mission is to be a family of people seeking to be of help to each other and to our world through the encouragement of God's Spirit and the sharing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

To that end, we offer opportunities for worship, friendship, personal growth and service.

Church Office Information:

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

NISKAYUNA REFORMED CHURCH

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am

October 16, 2016

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Please remember to turn off cell phones or put on airplane mode,
if cell phones remain on, they interfere with the sound system.*

Let the first note of the prelude be a call to quietly prepare for the significance
of the experience that is before you.

Announcements

**Passing of the Peace

Prelude *My Father's Beautiful World* Ham

Introit

Votum Mary Ivey

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

The Call to Worship

Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your statutes.

With my lips I declare all the ordinances of your mouth.

I delight in the way of your decrees as much as in all riches.

I will meditate on your precepts, and fix my eyes on your ways.

I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

*Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* 85

*Salutation and Peoples' Amen

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **Amen.**

lost a lot of members from the Stewardship Committee. If you are
interested in joining, please contact Linda Gebhardt @ 852-0609 or
lindagebhardt@nycap.rr.com.

- The Membership Committee's mission is to make more people aware of
our church's activities, as well as helping to make the church more
inviting to visitors. The Technology Team's mission is to take care of our
church's technological needs as a means to enhance our ministry goals.
Areas would include audio-visual, electronics, computers, and
communications. The Membership Committee and the Technology Team
are vital parts of our ministry. Both of these committees are in need of co-
chairs. If you have a passion or gifting for one of these areas please
contact Trudy Lehner, Dominic Andriano, Mel Burger, or Pastor Jason.
- The Thanksgiving holiday is about a month away. You may be thinking
about what your plans will be for that day. If you do not have family in
the area, have limited resources for a meal, or will be eating alone for
another reason, we want to invite you to have dinner with Pastor Jason
and Jennifer. The meal will take place in Fellowship Hall on
Thanksgiving Day at 2pm, with fellowship to continue until 4pm. The
meal will include turkey, sides, and dessert. We will have an assortment
of games available for fellowship, following the meal. Please RSVP
through Ellen at the church office by **Monday, November 14th**. If you
would be willing to donate a turkey or a pie, a sign-up sheet is located in
the narthex. We are also looking for a few people to help us with meal
preparation, service, and clean-up. If you have any questions, please talk
to Pastor Jason or Jennifer.

TODAY

If you are a visitor to our worship service today, we welcome you. May this time of praising God and learning of His plan for our lives be helpful to each of us. If you wish to be identified as a guest, please help us to get to know you by meeting the greeter at the rear of the sanctuary and receive a visitor's bag of information about our church.

- Parents with infants and small children are reminded of the room behind the balcony with an audio system to hear the worship service. There is infant and toddler care in Room 102 of the Education Bldg.
- Our greeter(s) today: Dolores Hutchins.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Birthday wishes go out to Ryan Szepek.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Worship teams for **October 23rd**: Ushers: Donna Gaunay, Paul Alois, Pat Zink and Norma Lovell; Counters: Sharon Rice-Herbst, Paul Sullivan & Ron Valenti; Greeter(s): Nancy Stopera.
- In an effort to make sure that we are providing sufficient contact with our home bound members, we'd like you to let Ellen know via email or phone when you visited one of our home bound members. This would also be an opportunity for you to pass along any information such as any extra needs that you are aware of that the congregational care committee should know about. Thank you all for your caring support! Bonnie Wood, Co-chair of the Congregational Care committee.
- Beginning on October 23rd, there will be a Sermon Reflection in the Lounge from 11-12, following our Coffee Hour. The purpose of this time is to provide a setting for us to further discuss the sermon and its biblical text. It will be a relaxed atmosphere in which to dig deeper into the text as well as a space to ask questions. We hope you will join us!
- The Stewardship Committee **needs your help!** In the last year, we have

The Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people. You have called us to be the church, to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world. Yet we acknowledge we sometimes fall short of that call. Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins. Remove the obstacles preventing us from being your representatives to a broken world. Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.

(continue in silent reflection)

The Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Words of Assurance

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

The Call to New Life

You heard about Christ and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness. Therefore, each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body.

*The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Anthem *Majesty* *Schrader*
The NRC Senior Choir

THE WORD OF GOD

Junior Sermon

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

New Testament Lesson 2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5 Bible page 213 NT

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

Gospel Lesson Luke 18: 1-18 Bible page 81 NT

This is the Gospel of the Lord. ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

*Hymn *How I Love Thy Law, O Lord!* **253**

Sermon “We Interrupt Your Program for This Important Message”
Rev. Jason Fulkerson

Silence

The Prayer for Blessing upon the Word

THE RESPONSE OF GOD’S PEOPLE

The Offering

The Offertory *To Everything There is a Season* *Harris*
The NRC Senior Choir

The Doxology **544** and Prayer of Consecration

The Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The 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.***

The Choral Amen

*Hymn *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing* **79**

*The Benediction

*The Benediction Response

The Postlude *Fanfare* *Lemmens*

*Those who are able, please stand.

Congregational responses are printed in bold type.

**We encourage you to fellowship with our church family members by passing of peace prior to the beginning of the church service.