

## THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday, April 1st</b> <b>Easter Sunday</b>	8:45 am 9:30 am 10:30 am	Music Room Sanctuary Fellowship Hall	Sr. Choir Rehearsal Worship Service <i>Coffee Hour</i>
<b>Monday, April 2nd</b>	7 pm	Lounge	Bible Study
<b>Tuesday, April 3rd</b>	7 pm	Lounge	Property
<b>Wednesday, April 4th</b>	7 pm	Music Room	Bells
<b>Thursday, April 5th</b>	1 pm 7:30 pm	Lounge Sanctuary	Bible Study Sr. Choir Rehearsal
<b>Sunday, April 8th</b> <b>Communion</b> <b>Mission-Salvation Army</b> <b>Soup Kitchen Expenses</b>	8:45 am 9:30 am 10:30 am	Music Room Sanctuary Fellowship Hall	Sr. Choir Rehearsal Worship Service <i>Coffee Hour</i>

### The Niskayuna Reformed Church 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.



## TODAY

If you are a visitor to our worship service today, we welcome you. May you be reminded that you are loved and cared for by God, called to spread that love to the world. 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 Building.
- Our greeter(s) today: Dug & Sharon Jackson.

## YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Birthday wishes go out to: Ryan Autrey.
- There will be no Sunday School on April 1st & April 8th because of the spring break. Sunday School will resume on **April 15th**.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Worship teams for **April 8th** are; Ushers: John & Trudy Lehner, Lizbeth Amorelli and Jennifer Fulkerson; Counters: Paul Sullivan & Gary Male; Greeters: Jean Bursor; Coffee Hour: M & SC.
- A short fly-over study of the book of Revelation is being offered two times per week, **Monday nights @ 7pm and Thursday afternoons @ 1pm. This is the last week of bible study.**
- Spring is coming and more people are coming on Sundays, there are many new faces and some names we have forgotten. Please put on your name tag so our new and old forgetful members know who you are. If you need a name tag please let the office know and we will happily get one to you.
- Please note, we now have an easier way to access the bulletins online. Bulletins are posted, on the front of the website, half way down on the right-hand side. They are posted right under the Messenger and Sermons. We hope this is an easy way for you stay involved and informed.
- **SAVE THE DATE** - The NRC History & Archives committee in

## \*Salutation and the Peoples' Amen

May grace and peace be yours in abundance in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

## Prayer of Confession (in unison)

If, at times, we deny you, and when the risks of discipleship are high, and we are nowhere to be found: **God forgive.**

When we wash our hands of responsibility: **God forgive.**

When we cast our lot with powerful oppressors and seek to buy freedom with silver: **God forgive.**

When fear keeps us from witnessing to your truth, or prejudice keeps us from believing it: **God forgive.**

In the bright light of Easter morning, O God, our sin is exposed, and your grace is revealed.

**Tender God, raise us in your love so that, with joy, we may witness to your awesome deeds, in the name of Jesus, the risen one.**

**Amen.**

## Kyrie Eleison

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

## Words of Assurance

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

**Glory to God. Amen.**

## Call to New Life

As Christ burst forth from the tomb, may new life burst forth from us and show itself in acts of love and healing to a hurting world. And may that same Christ, who lives forever and is the source of our new life, keep your hearts rejoicing and grant you peace. **May the Spirit of God help us to live this new life. Amen!**

\*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 *Psalm 150* Franck  
*The NRC Senior Choir*

### THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

**Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. From everlasting to everlasting, you are God. Speak to us now as you have spoken to us throughout the ages. On this glorious Easter, reveal yourself and your will for our lives, that we might live as your Easter people. We seek your face, O Lord; hear our prayer through Jesus, our Lord. Amen.**

Gospel Lesson Mark 16: 1-8 Bible page 54-55 NT  
This is the Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, O Christ.*

Sermon Rev. Jason Fulkerson

\*Hymn *The Day of Resurrection* 208

### THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Offering

Offertory *Crown Him With Many Crowns* Arr. Courtney  
*The NRC Senior Choir*

\*Doxology 544 and Prayer of Consecration

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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.*

\*Choral Amen

\*Hymn *The Strife Is Over, the Battle Done*

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\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

\*Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand.

*Congregational responses are printed in bold italics type.*

*Guest musicians: Jake Dimirra and Daulton Mysliwiec, trumpets,  
Ian Kerr-Mace, Euphonium, Daniel Morton-Bentley, trombone.*