

NISKAYUNA REFORMED CHURCH

4th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am

June 17, 2018

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.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

Announcements

Prelude *This Is My Father's World/This Is The Day* Rouse

Votum John Bennett

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

Call to Worship

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most

High;

**to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness
by night,**

to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

**For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of
your hands I sing for joy.**

*Hymn *Praise the Lord: Ye Heavens, Adore Him* 3

*Salutation and the Peoples' Amen

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

Amen.

office on Monday-Thursday from 8 am-3:30 pm and on Friday from
8 am-1 pm. These summer hours will begin this Friday, **June 22nd.**

- Flowers (a bouquet from your garden or a purchased arrangement- \$35) are needed for the Communion Table this summer. Please email Sue Felpel at LSFelpel@yahoo.com or call 372-0936 by the **Monday** of that week to make arrangements.
- The SICM summer lunch program is counting on our NRC to help serve lunches this summer. We have 2 opportunities available this year: The week of July 23-27 AND the week of August 13-17. We are still at the Wallingford Park site in Mt. Pleasant and hours will be 12-1:45. We need 3 volunteers each day-I will be there both weeks. This could be a good opportunity for our middle and high schoolers to get involved as well. Please check your calendars to see if you might have a day or two to help us out. Contact Michele Kopp at (518)424-3825 or mishcata@gmail.com after June 10 if you are able to join us.

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: Bill & Kathy Dzamba.
- The flowers on the communion table are in honor of all our fathers. Happy Father's Day to all our fathers and father figures in our lives. God, bless all the fathers in the world. Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children. Help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way. Amen!
- Congratulations to Caroline Pustay on graduating from Shaker High School! We will have a cake in her honor during Coffee Hour.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Birthday wishes go out to: Maya Lembo, Hailey Waxman & Hope Waxman.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Worship teams for **June 24th** are; Ushers: Jack Faddegon, Elaine O'Connell, Paul Szakats & Linda Matt; Counters: Judy Henery & Jon Waxman; Greeter(s): Sue Felpel; Coffee Hour: Andersons.
- There will be a blood drive on Friday, **July 6th** from 1-7 pm at the Niskayuna Fire Company at 2772 Troy/Schenectady Rd.(Rt. 7). Walk-ins are welcome or call 1-88-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment. Donors will receive a Red Cross t-shirt!
- Please note that there are new office summer hours. Ellen will be in the

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us, and spare those who confess their faults according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

Kyrie Eleison

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

Words of Assurance

If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. O, people of God, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is the Lord who will redeem us from all our iniquities.

Call to New Life

He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God? **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

Pie Jesu
Andrew Burger, Soloist

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THE WORD OF GOD

Junior Sermon

Interlude

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Lord, our God, in the reading and proclamation of your Word, we pray you will illumine our minds and hearts so that we may hear and understand your Word, know and live according to your Word, and become living letters of your Word, equipped to follow Jesus in every part of our lives, by the power of the Holy Spirit, through Christ, our Lord, the living Word. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Deuteronomy 5:12-15 Bible 162 OT

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

Gospel Lesson Mark 2:23-3:6 Bible 36-37 NT

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

Sermon

*Hymn *O Day of Rest and Gladness* **70**

THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Offering

Offertory *For the Mountains Shall Depart* Mendelssohn
Andrew Burger, Soloist

*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.*

*Hymn *Take the Name of Jesus with You* **411**

*Benediction

*Postlude *The Lord Bless You* *Lutkin*

*Those who are able, please stand.

Congregational responses are printed in bold italics type.