

THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 5th 11th Sunday after Pentecost Communion Mission-Deacon's Fund	9:30 am 9:45 am 10:30 am	Sanctuary Education Bldg Fellowship Hall	Worship Service Sunday School Coffee Hour
Monday, August 6th	10 am	Salvation Army	Soup Kitchen
Wednesday, August 8th	6 pm	Lounge	Consistory
Sunday, August 12th 12th Sunday after Pentecost	9:30 am 9:45 am 10:30 am	Sanctuary Education Bldg Fellowship Hall	Worship Service Sunday School Coffee Hour

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.



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NISKAYUNA REFORMED CHURCH

11th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 am

August 5, 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 *From Duetto No IV* *W.F. Bach (Presto)*
Jennifer Politano & Joey Van Ullen, flute duet

Votum Sharon Rice-Herbst

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

Call to Worship

We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart; we will tell of all
your wonderful deeds.

**We will be glad and exult in you; we will sing praise to your name,
O Most High.**

*Hymn *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* **379**

*Salutation and the Peoples' Amen

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

Amen.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love, for
they have been from of old. Do not remember the sins of my youth
or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember**

your prayers. You can sign up to provide meals as well as find updates
about her condition on this site...

<https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/712558>.

- If you are interested in various facets of Christian Education, please consider attending a summit at Fort Plain Reformed Church on **September 22, 2018**. Please contact Pastor Jason for more information or to let him know if you are interested.
- The M & SC meeting will be on **Monday, August 13th @ 7 pm** in the Lounge. **All are welcome to join!**
- Thank you John, Karen, Ron, Barb, Michele and Alice for your help Monday July 30 serving dinner at the Schenectady City Mission. What a busy night it was!! 212 meals and 170 take out dinners! 382 total meals provided in one short hour. When we had time to breathe at the end of our shift, we all agreed that these dinners are a very important part of many people's lives. And we are thankful to the City Mission for continuing to offer this gift to our brothers and sisters.

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: Ron & Barb Valenti.
- **Gluten free wafers will be available during Communion.**
- Our Communion Collection for August will benefit The Deacon's Fund. The Deacon's Fund is the discretionary fund we use to help those in our community in need of assistance. Please support this important ministry. Thank you!

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Birthday wishes go out to: Henrietta Morton-Bentley & McKenzie Munro.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Worship teams for August 12th are; Ushers: Glenn Kreig, Jon Waxman, Barbara Sim & Betty Engler; Counters: Dominic Andriano and & Sue Felpel; Greeter(s): Ellie Van Pelt; Coffee Hour: TBD.
- **City Mission Back to School Supplies needed:** Our NRC family has the opportunity to donate school supplies to the Schenectady City Mission to be distributed to local students in need. A list of desired items is posted on the Mission and Service bulletin board in the education building. Items will be collected by next weekend, **Sunday, August 12th**. Please adhere to the deadline. Items are due to the City Mission on **Monday, August 13th**.
- Diane Pechulis continues to recover from surgery. She has been released from the hospital and recovering at home. Keep her, Tony, and Ashley in

**me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord! Relieve the troubles of my heart, and bring me out of my distress. Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.
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. People of God, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and great power to redeem. It is the Lord who will redeem us from all our iniquities.

Call to New Life

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to 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.***

Special Music *Andante from Andante et Rondo* *Francois Doppler*
Op. 25
Rebecca Benjamin, piano; Jennifer Politano & Joey Van Ullen, flute duet

THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Eternal God, in the reading of the Scripture, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known;

and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown.

Amen.

New Testament Lesson Revelation 21:1-27 Bible 259-260 NT

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

Sermon

*Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty* **11**

THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Offering

Offertory *Largo from Sonata No. III* *J. B. Loeillet*
Jennifer Politano & Joey Van Ullen, flute duet

*Doxology **544** and Prayer of Consecration

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Meaning of the Sacrament

Invitation

Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy and right it is, and our joyful duty to give thanks to you at all times and in all places...

With your whole Church on earth and with all the company of heaven we worship and adore your glorious name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Most righteous God, we remember in this Supper...

Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray...

Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

Words of Institution

Communion

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.***

***Please note: The Mission Offering will be collected during the
singing of this next hymn.***

*Hymn *Tell Me the Old, Old Story* **403**

*Benediction

*Postlude *Sonata No. 2* *Telemann*
Jennifer Politano & Joey Van Ullen, flute duet

*Those who are able, please stand.

Congregational responses are printed in bold italics type.