
Sunday, January 13th 1st Sunday after the Epiphany	8:45 am	Sanctuary	Sr. Choir
	9:30 am	Sanctuary	Worship Service
	9:45 am	Ed. Building	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Music Room Fellowship Hall	Youth Choir Coffee Hour

Monday, January 14th	4:45 pm	City Mission	City Mission
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Tuesday, January 15th	2:30 pm	Lounge	Archives
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Sunday, January 20th 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany	8:45 am	Sanctuary	Sr. Choir
	9:30 am	Sanctuary	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Music Room	Youth Choir
		Fellowship Hall	Coffee Hour

NISKAYUNA REFORMED CHURCH *January 13, 2019*



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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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 being inspired by the Word 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.

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

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Announcements

Prelude *From Bethlehem Hills* *Birchwood*

Introit

Votum *Jan Clark*

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

Call to Worship

Ascribe to the LORD the glory of his name,

worship the LORD in holy splendor.

The voice of the LORD is over the waters;

the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over mighty waters.

The voice of the LORD is powerful;

the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

to hold a successful event. Consequently, a decision was made to cancel the 46th Antiques Show. Thank you to all who signed up to help by providing food, or working on the days of the event. Antique Show organizers have reached out to notify those who have signed up.

- Pastor Jason will be out of the office on January 28th & 29th for a mediation training seminar.
- **Questions**, please contact the church office at 518-785-5575 or email Pastor Jason at sr.pastor@niskayunareformed.org or our administrator, Ellen Gauna, at office@niskayunareformed.org.

TODAY

- 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.
- The Worship teams for **TODAY** are; Ushers: Donna Gaunay, Paul Alois, Pat Zink & Norma Lovell; Counters: Judy Henery & Paul Sullivan; Greeter(s): Barbara Sim; Coffee Hour: WFG.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Birthday wishes go out to: **Mason Roth**.
- There will be no Sunday School on **January 20th**, in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day weekend.
- The Youth Group will hold its Stress Relief Party today, **January 13th**, in the lounge. Join us for relaxation and pizza! Cost is \$5.
- The Sunday School will begin collecting for the Souper Bowl collection for SICM today, **January 13th** through Super Bowl Sunday. Please help us help SICM! Look for our collectors at coffee hour.
- We're looking for a long term substitute for the high school class beginning January 27th. Contact Sabrina at christianed@niskayunareformed.org if you can fill in.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Worship teams for **January 20th** are; Ushers: John & Trudy Lehner, Lizbeth Amorelli and Jennifer Fulkerson; Counters: Lyle Eldred and Kim Cerone; Greeter(s): John & Trudy Lehner; Coffee Hour: Ron Ricard.
- Volunteers needed at the Schenectady City Mission to serve dinner on **Monday, January 14th** from 4:45-6:30. We have 2 helpers so far, but need 4 more. Please contact Michele Kopp at mishcata@gmail.com if you can join us.
- The number of dealers that have signed up for the Antique Show next week is much lower than expected. For that reason, it was felt that it would be a disservice to the public as well as to the dealers to be able

*Hymn

It is Good to Sing Thy Praises

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*Salutation and People's Amen

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

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

Merciful God, in baptism you grafted us into the body of Christ, promising us forgiveness of sin and newness of life. But we fail to live as forgiven people. We keep destructive habits and hold grudges. We allow our past to hold us hostage and are reluctant to welcome newness. In your loving-kindness have mercy on us and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you have made to us in baptism so that we may live as your people, claimed in the waters of promise.
Amen.

Kyrie Eleison

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

Words of Assurance

Friends, hear the good news! Though we are unworthy, we are granted God's favor in Jesus Christ and are baptized into the church of his beloved Son. Friends, believe the good news that in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Call to New Life

Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. **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 *Come to the Savior* *Marryott*
 The NRC Senior Choir

THE WORD OF GOD

Junior Sermon

Interlude

Prayer for Illumination

Holy Spirit, pour out upon us wisdom and understanding, that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to receive all that leads to life and holiness. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson *Isaiah 43:1-7* *Bible 672 OT*
 This is the Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Gospel Lesson *Luke 3:15-17, 21-22* *Bible 60 NT*
 This is the Gospel of the Lord. ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Sermon *Pastor Jason Fulkerson*

*Hymn *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* **235**

THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Offering

Offertory *The Lord is in His Holy Temple* *Bell*
 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 *Seal Us, O Holy Spirit* **238**

*Benediction

Benediction Response

*Postlude *Fantasia on Forest Green* *Broughton*

*Those who are able, please stand.

Congregational responses are printed in bold italics type.