

Sunday, September 15th	8:45 am	Sanctuary	Sr. Choir
14th Sunday after Pentecost	9:30 am	Sanctuary	Worship Service
	9:45 am	Educ. Bldg	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Fellowship Hall	Coffee Hour
Monday, September 16th	7 pm	Lounge	M & SC
Tuesday, September 17th	10 am	Salvation Army	Soup Kitchen
Wednesday, September 18th	7 pm	Music Room	Bell Choir
	7:30 pm	Sanctuary	Sr. Choir
Saturday, September 21st	10 am	Ann Duncan	Women's Book Group (WBG)
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	10:30 am	Music Room	Youth Choir
		Fellowship Hall	Coffee Hour
	10:45 am	Room 103	Cherubs Choir

### **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.*

# **Niskayuna Reformed Church**

## **September 15, 2019**

### **14th Sunday after Pentecost**



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As we gather together in worship, may you be reminded that you are loved and cared for by God, called to spread that love to the world. May God quiet your heart so that you may hear God's voice and sense the power of God's presence.

If you are a visitor to our worship service today, we welcome you. Please help us to get to know you by meeting the greeter at the rear of the sanctuary to receive a visitor's bag of information about our church.

### THE APPROACH TO GOD

The Lord be with you

**And also with you**

Announcements

Prelude *We're Marching to Zion* Lowry/Berry  
(In the setting of Haydn's Sonata in G Major)

Introit

Votum Scott Haefner  
Our help is the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth. **Amen.**

Call to Worship

Rejoice with me, people of God.

**God has gathered us in from the wilderness.**

Rejoice with me, people of God.

**God has swept away the darkness of the night.**

Rejoice with me, people of God.

**Today, there is joy in the presence of the angels.**

\*Hymn *We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer* 17

doctrine and learned to embrace God's Word as it is actually written. As he explores questions progressive evangelical readers of Scripture commonly face yet fear voicing, Enns reveals that they are the very questions that God wants us to consider—the essence of our spiritual study. The book can be purchased before we begin, or Pastor Jason can order a copy for you. Please contact Pastor Jason with any questions.

- The annual Senior Member Luncheon will take place this year on **Monday, October 7th** at noon. All members of our congregation who are of retirement age are welcome. Our meal will be cooked by Paul and Cyndy Brownsey. Dessert will be prepared by the famous NRC pie bakers. Entertainment will be provided by local storyteller, Ceil Mack. It is sure to be an enjoyable and memorable event. If you'd like to attend, please call the church office at 518-785-5575 to RSVP by **October 4th**.
- Please remember to turn off cell phones or put on airplane mode, if cell phones remain on, they interfere with the sound system.
- **Questions**, please contact the church office at 518-785-5575 or email Pastor Jason at [sr.pastor@niskayunareformed.org](mailto:sr.pastor@niskayunareformed.org) or our administrator, Ellen Gauna, at [office@niskayunareformed.org](mailto: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: Glenn Kreig, Jon Waxman, Barbara Sim & Leo Lichtig; Counter: Alan Holmes & Kim Cerone; Greeter(s): Richard Mizenko; Coffee Hour: Felpel & Jackson.
- The flowers on the Communion Table provided by Lucinda Strassenburgh are in memory of her sister, Marsha Strassenburgh Bentley and her parents, Elizabeth and Paul Strassenburgh.
- Today, we begin our ministry emphasis interviews. This is an opportunity for us to learn more about the ministries going on at Niskayuna Reformed Church. Today we will learn about the work of Christian Education.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

- Birthday wishes go out to: **Henry McCann**.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Worship teams for **September 22nd** are; Ushers: Jack Faddegon, Carol Carr, Linda Gardner & Linda Matt; Counter: Judy Henery & Suzi O'Brien; Greeter(s): Jon & Kim Waxman; Coffee Hour: Christian Ed.
- Pastor Jason will be out of the office **September 15th- 21st** for study leave. Our guest preacher today is Norm Tellier.
- The SICM Food Pantry needs our support to maintain its commitment to feeding the hungry. The M & SC has come up with a monthly food collection plan-each month, we will focus on collecting one specific food item. If you prefer, monetary support is always welcome. There is a green box located in the narthex for that purpose.  
**September: canned spaghetti sauce**
- Pastor Jason will be starting a book study for the fall on **Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm. The study will last seven weeks, going through *The Bible Tells Me So* by Peter Enns. *The Bible Tells Me So* chronicles Enns's spiritual odyssey, how he came to see beyond restrictive

\*Salutation and People's Amen

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

Ministry Emphasis Interview

*Christian Education Committee*

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

**Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit. Amen.**

Kyrie Eleison

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

Words of Assurance

But this we call to mind, and therefore have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, God's mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning. In the name of the Lord, who is our portion and our hope, we acknowledge that our sin is forgiven. May our mouths be filled with praise.

Call to New Life

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you have no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. **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 *Majesty* Hayford/Schrader  
The NRC Senior Choir

**THE WORD OF GOD**

Junior Sermon

Interlude (Children are dismissed to Sunday School)

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

***Mighty God, you spoke the world into being; speak now to our hearts. By the power of your Spirit, make these ancient words live, that we might be shaped into your people, eager to bear your claim in the world and to give flesh to your future. For we pray in the name of Jesus, who leads us into life. Amen.***

Epistle Lesson 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Bible 208 NT  
This is the Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God.***

Gospel Lesson Luke 10: 25-37 Bible 71-72 NT  
This is the Gospel of the Lord. ***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Sermon Reverend Norm Tellier

\*Hymn *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* **236**

**THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

Offering

Offertory *Lord I Stretch My Hands to You* Althouse  
The NRC Senior Choir

\*Doxology 544 and Prayer of Consecration

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Choral Amen

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 *Lord, Speak to Me, that I May Speak* **298**

\*Benediction

Benediction Response

\*Postlude *Frohlich wit nun all fangen an* Bobel

\*Those who are able, please stand.

***Congregational responses are printed in bold italics type.***