

Sunday, December 20, 2020
ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00 AM

Mr. Timothy Flynn * Pastor

Carolyn Lansing * Organist & Choir Director

(*People Stand If Able)

Please mute your cell phones

PRELUDE *(Time for quiet reflection & meditation)*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

COME, LET US WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 81:6-8

SENTENCES

Psalm 89:19-26

(with Congregational Response)

Then you spoke in a vision to your faithful one, and said: "I have set the crown on one who is mighty, I have exalted one chosen from the people.

I have found my servant David; with my holy oil I have anointed him;

My hand shall always remain with him; my arm also shall strengthen him.

The enemy shall not outwit him, the wicked shall not humble him.

I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him.

My faithfulness and steadfast love shall be with him; and in my name his horn shall be exalted.

I will set his hand on the sea and his right hand on the rivers.

He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation!'

SALUTATION

Romans 16:25-27

Now to God who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but is now disclosed, and through the prophetic writings is made known to all the Gentiles, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith -- to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever! Amen.....Grace mercy and peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn # 131 "Angels, from the Realms of Glory"**

***RESPONSIVE READING 2 Samuel7:7-11,16**

Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?

Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David:

Thus says the LORD of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel;

and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.

And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly,

from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.

Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever.

***GLORIA PATRI #622**

PRAYER (in Unison):

God of justice and peace,
from the heavens you rain down mercy and kindness,
that all on earth may stand in awe and wonder before your marvelous deeds. Raise our heads in expectation, that we may yearn for the coming day of the Lord and stand without blame before your Son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN # 137 "What Child Is This?"**

***OFFERING**

***OFFERTORY**

***DOXOLOGY #625 (found in the back of the hymnal)**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Children preschool age and below are dismissed for nursery care following the Children's Message)

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 1:26-38

MESSAGE: "How can This Be?"

***HYMN # 139 "I Wonder as I Wander"**

DEPARTING TO SERVE

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

AMITY REFORMED CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

"Our mission is to grow into the people God created us to be in Jesus Christ through Worship, Service and Fellowship within our congregation and our community."

TODAY AT AMITY

Today's Greeter: Jane Stevens

COMING UP AT AMITY

Wednesday, December 16,2020 Bible Study 6:00 PM

Thursday, December 24,2020 Christmas Eve Service

7:00 PM Family Service. 11:00 PM Musical Service.

2020 CONSISTORY

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369-3699
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Pastor Tim is available for pastoral calls. You can contact him at (518) 334-0408.

Boy Scout Troop 30 meets every Wed. @ 6:30 pm in Chapel Hall
Girl Scouts meets the 2nd & 4th Monday's in Chapel Hall

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE DEACONS

Offering from December 6, 2020

Program	\$2,117.00
Benevolence	\$25.00
Special	\$32.80
Total:	\$2,174.80

December Mission:

Things of My Very Own, Inc.

(1011 Cheyenne Rd., Scotia, NY 12302)

Things of My Very Own, Inc. provides crisis intervention services to children impacted by extensive abuse and/or neglect. Our goal is to keep children together with non-abusive family members, and out of the foster care system, whenever possible. Legally a child must have their own bed, warm blankets, clothing, hygiene products and an adequate supply of food to remain with their non-abusive family members. We strive to ensure that these children are given everything they need from the first moment on and to help them know that what they have endured does not define who they grow up to be.

www.thingsofmyveryown.org