

Sunday, January 8, 2023
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 117

SENTENCES

Psalm 29

(with Congregational Response)

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

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.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD causes the oaks to whirl, and strips the forest bare; and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever. May the LORD give strength to

his people! May the LORD bless his people with peace!

SALUTATION: Isaiah 42:5-9

Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.....

Grace mercy and peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn #88 “Fairest Lord Jesus”**

Responsive Reading: Acts 10:34-42

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality,

but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all.

That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:

how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree;

but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.

***GLORIA PATRI #622**

PRAYER (in Unison):

God of grace and glory, you call us with your voice of flame to be your people, faithful and courageous.

As your beloved Son embraced his mission in the waters of baptism, inspire us with the fire of your Spirit to join in his transforming work. We ask this in the name of our Savior 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 #335 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"**

***OFFERING**

***OFFERTORY**

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Children's Message

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 3: 13-17

Message: “Beloved and Pleased”

***HYMN #354 “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”**

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:

Marcia Bailey

COMING UP AT AMITY

Monday, January 9, 2023 Elders & Deacons MTG 6:00 PM

Monday, January 9, 2023 Consistory MTG 7:00 PM

Thursday, January 12, 2023 ARC Angels MTG 10:30 AM

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 Thursdays in Chapel Hall

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE DEACONS

Offering from January 1, 2023

Program	\$1,558.00
Benevolence	\$180.00
Special Income	\$250.00
Total:	\$1,988.00

Monthly Mission

Ukraine Refugee Support:

In response to the crisis occurring in Europe, RCA Global Mission partners on the ground are providing humanitarian aid to displaced people as they are forced to flee their homes in Ukraine. Your gifts will make their efforts possible.

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