

Sunday, April 2, 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 119:11-12

SENTENCES Psalm 118:19-29

(with Congregational Response)

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we beseech you, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

The LORD is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are

my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

SALUTATION

Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father..... Grace mercy and peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn #173 "All Glory Laud and Honor"**

Responsive Reading:

Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, **saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me.**

If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately."

This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks

on them, and he sat on them.

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

***GLORIA PATRI #622**

PRAYER (in Unison):

God of our salvation, we give you thanks for Jesus Christ, our Lord, who came in your name and turned the lonely way of rejection and death into triumph. Grant us the steadfast faith to enter the gates of righteousness, that we may receive grace to become worthy citizens of your holy realm. Amen.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN #73 "Thou Art Worthy"**

***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: Luke 19:28-40

Message: "If These Keep Quiet, The Stones Will Cry Out"

*HYMN #174 "Hosannah, Loud Hosannah"

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:

Ellen Shippey

COMING UP AT AMITY

Thursday, April 6, 2023 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00 PM

Sunday, April 9, 2023 Sunrise Service 7:00 AM

Pancake Breakfast After Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 9, 2023 Easter Sunday Service 10:00 AM

April 14th & 15th Spring Rummage Sale 9 AM – 2 PM

Friday, April 21, 2023 Brooks BBQ 3-6 PM

Pre-Sale Tickets Available See Jean Hill

****ARC Angels have set the date for the Spring Rummage Sale. This year the dates are April 14th & 15th. They will start taking donations for this sale starting March 26th. You can call the office to set up a day & time to drop off your donations.

***** The Family of John Ward would like to invite the Amity Family to the Funeral Service of the late John Ward on: Saturday May 20, 2023 @ 12:00 pm with a reception in Chapel Hall following.

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 March 26, 2023

Program	\$1,967.00
Benevolence	\$5.00
Special Income	\$100.00
Total:	<u>\$2,072.00</u>

Monthly Mission:

**Camp Fowler Scholarship Fund and/or Camp Fowler
Conference and Retreat Center**

1790 Grand Blvd., Schenectady, NY 12309

For over 64 years the ministry at Camp Fowler has worked in partnership with the churches in upstate to help us all live our baptismal vows to “love, encourage, and support these brothers and sisters by teaching the gospel of God’s love and being an example of Christian faith and character” (RCA baptismal liturgy) We function first and foremost as a summer camp, aiming to provide space for children to be themselves, learn from those who are different from them,

and intimately experience wonder and love. In the off season, we offer on-site retreats that revolve around themes of stewardship, relationships, youth ministry, and spirituality.

www.campfowler.org

*** If any of our Amity young people are interested in going to camp we could supplement part the expense (Camp Fowler Scholarship Fund) or we can do what we have done in the past and send the all of the donations to the Regional Synod office.
