

Sunday, January 7, 2024
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

Jeremiah 1:4

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

Genesis 1:1-5

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters. Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. And God saw that the light was good; and God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day..... Grace Mercy and Peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn #366 "I Surrender All"**

Responsive Reading:

Mark 1:4-11

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.

He proclaimed, "The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals.

I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan.

And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.

And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

***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 #42 "Seek Ye First"**

***OFFERING**

***OFFERTORY**

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE: Acts 19:1-7

Message: “Repent, Commit, Submit”

***HYMN #379** “Take My Life, and Let It Be”

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

Loose Change Sunday

Today's Greeter:

Ellen Shippey

COMING UP AT AMITY

Monday, January 8, 2024 Elders & Deacons Mtg 6:00 PM

Monday, January 8, 2024 Consistory Mtg 7:00 PM

Wednesday, January 10, 2024 Bible Study 6:00 PM

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 ARC Angels MTG 10:30 PM

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 meet on Thurs. @ 6:30 in Chapel Hall

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE DEACONS

Offering from December 31, 2023

Program	\$869.00
Special Income	\$49.20
Total:	\$918.20

Monthly Mission:

**Schenectady City Mission
425 Hamilton Street
Schenectady NY 12305**

City Mission of Schenectady, founded in 1906, is dedicated to sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ in work and deed. Our ministries seek to comprehensively meet the needs of the poor in a manner that dignifies and strengthens the individual, the family, and the community. Our goal is to provide not only HELP for today, but HOPE for tomorrow. We want to help people who are in need right now by meeting basic needs like, food, shelter and clothing. Providing these life essentials are at the core of who we are.
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This Week's Prayer List

(Please have prayer requests sent to the office no later than Thursday to be added to the list)

Jim Lee, Pam Howard, Mike & Kathy Whitehead, Doug Gould, Johnny Cranfield, Miss Millie, Joe & Donna Flynn, Tristian's recovery, The Sauter Family, Georgia Beatty, Zoey Lansing, Unspoken, World Unrest, Our Military & 1st Responders