

Sunday, April 21, 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 Psalm 121:1-2

SENTENCES Psalm 23

(with Congregational Response)

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff-- they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

SALUTATION 1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us--and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little

children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us..... Grace Mercy and Peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn #198 “Wonderful Grace of Jesus”**

Responsive Reading: John 10:11-18

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away--and the wolf snatches them and scatters them.

The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me,

Just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep.

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

***GLORIA PATRI #622**

PRAYER (in Unison):

Mighty God, in whom we know the power of redemption, you stand among us in the shadows of our time. As we move through every sorrow and trial of this life, uphold us with knowledge of the final morning when, in the glorious presence of your risen Son, we will share in his resurrection, redeemed and restored to the fullness of life and forever freed to be your people. Amen.

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD
JOYS AND CONCERNS
PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

***HYMN #74 "Majesty"**

***OFFERING**

***OFFERTORY**

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE: Acts 4:5-12

Message: “The Stone Which the Builders Rejected”

***HYMN #462 “Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us”**

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

<u>Wednesday, April 24, 2024</u>	Bible Study	6:00 PM
<u>Saturday, April 27, 2024</u>	Hester Male's Service	10:00 AM
<u>Monday, May 13, 2024</u>	Elders & Deacons Mtg	6:00 PM
<u>Monday, May 13, 2024</u>	Consistory Mtg	7:00 PM
<u>Saturday, May 18, 2024</u>	Ladies Tea Party	1:00 PM

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

**** Current Elders; Dan Cargill, Jean Hill, Patty Knowlton & Barb Sauter.

**** Current Deacons; Debbie Bango, Jane Cargill, Carolyn Lansing & Will Shippey

Boy Scout Troop 30 meets every Wed. @ 6:45 pm in Chapel Hall
Girl Scouts meet on Thurs. @ 6:30 in Chapel Hall

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE DEACONS

Offering from March 31, 2024

Program	\$992.00
Benevolence	\$5.00
Miscellaneous	\$38.00
Total:	\$1,035.00

Monthly Mission:
Camp Fowler
152 Pelcher Road
Lake Pleasant NY
518-631-6789

Worship at Fowler is a natural response to the beauty of God's world and the friendship and love we feel as we gather in community. Throughout the week, our daily Morning Watch, Discovery Time, and Evening Vespers, are all times to come together and respond in gratitude and love to God. We also share how we have seen this love most fully in life of Jesus Christ. Fowler is owned and operated by the Reformed Church in America, the oldest continuous protestant denomination in the United States. Part of that heritage is the understanding that all are welcome at camp, whether you call yourself a follower of Christ or not. And

while our leadership continue to uphold Christ as Lord of our lives, it is our hope that all will find space to worship and practice gratitude here.
campfowler.org

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, Mike & Kathy Whitehead, Doug Gould, Johnny & Judy Cranfield, Miss Millie, Tammy, Dave Pettis, Brittany Hernandez, Emily & Family, Joe & Donna Flynn, Georgia Beatty, Zoey Lansing, Unspoken, World Unrest, Our Military & 1st Responders