

Sunday, December 1, 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 Genesis 23:18

SENTENCES Psalm 25:1-10

(with Congregational Response)

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

My God, in you I trust; do not let me be put to shame; do not let my enemies exult over me.

Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame; let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right and teaches the humble his way.

All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.

SALUTATION

Jeremiah 33:14-16

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."Grace Mercy and Peace be with you from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn #123 "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"**

Responsive Reading:

Luke 21:27-36

Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in a cloud' with power and great glory.

Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Then he told them a parable: "Look at the fig tree and all the trees; **As soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near.**

So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near.

Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place.

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

"Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, like a trap.

For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth.

Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

***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 #124 "O Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"**

***ANTHEM "Will We Know Him?"**

Words by: Don Besig & Nancy Price

***OFFERING**

***OFFERTORY**

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

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Advent week 1 - Hope

THE WORD OF GOD

SCRIPTURE: 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Message: "Hope"

*HYMN #127 “Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne” vs1-3

Preparation for the Table – Reading # 635

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

HYMN #127 “Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne” vs 4-6

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:

Fred Stevens

COMING UP AT AMITY

<u>Friday, December 13, 2024</u>	Paint & Sip	6:00 PM
<u>Sunday, December 15, 2024</u>	Caroling & Pizza Party	4:00 PM
<u>Tuesday, December 24, 2024</u>	Christmas Eve Service	7:00 PM
<u>Sunday, December 29, 2024</u>	Congregational Mtg	

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

**** Weekly Donations Needed For The Backpack for Kids is an on-going program. If you are interested in helping to support this please reach out to June Lee in person or at 518-371-7879 ****

***** Nominated Slate for Elders & Deacons of 2024:
Peiter Lansing & Deb LaRose for Elders and
Mark Hill & Dan Cargill for Deacons*****

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 November 24, 2024

Program	\$1,311.00
Benevolence	\$20.00
Special Income	\$235.30
Miscellaneous	\$2,623.60
Total:	\$3,991.90

Monthly Mission:

RCA, General Humanitarian Problems

“Feed One”

Make a gift to Feed One to help address hunger and support sustainable agriculture worldwide.

www.rca.org/give/feed-one-care-network

hello@rca.org

This Week's Prayer List

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

**The Lee Family, Kathy Whitehead, Clara and her family, Doug
Gould, Johnny & Judy Cranfield, Kim, Art, Miss Millie, Mariah,
Bob Shippey, Brittany Hernandez, Joe & Donna Flynn, Emily &
Family, Georgia Beatty, Bill LaRose, Pastor Kent, Pastor
Heather, Unspoken, World Unrest, Our Military & 1st
Responders**