

Redeemer Reformed Presbyterian Church (PCA) exists as a fellowship of God's people, called to glorify and enjoy Him. It is our aim and purpose to **Worship** God reverently and sincerely, to **Edify** the children of God, and to **Reach** those who do not know Christ with the good news of the Gospel. We are firmly persuaded that the way to reach these three objectives is to proclaim the inerrant Word of the Living God.

We welcome you to join us as we worship God together, learn from His Word, fellowship with one another and minister to those in need by telling others about Jesus Christ's love displayed in the Gospel.

The officers of Redeemer Reformed Presbyterian Church are available to you and are willing to give assistance. Please feel free to contact them.

Website: For more information about the events at Redeemer please visit the website:

www.rrpca.org or www.RedeemerReformed.info

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GUEST REGISTRATION

You are invited to give us your name and some of your contact information, whatever you would like to share with us, so we can stay in touch. Thanks!

Name(s): _____

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Redeemer Reformed Presbyterian Church

Service of the Word December 16, 2018

Enter prayerfully in silence. (Habakkuk 2:20)

Worship joyfully with reverence. (Revelation 19:5-7)

Depart thankfully to serve. (Hebrews 12:28-13:6)

“Because as Christ has once appeared as our Redeemer, so on his final advent he will give full effect to the salvation obtained by him. And in this way he dispels all the allurements which becloud our path, and prevent us from aspiring as we ought to heavenly glory; nay, he tells us that we must be pilgrims in the world, that we may not fail of obtaining the heavenly inheritance.” - John Calvin

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PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Silent Prayer

Call to Worship

*Hymn “Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus” #196

*Opening Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done

On earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from the evil one.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power

and the glory forever. Amen.

*God’s Greeting

*Glorifying God *The Gloria Patri* #735

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,

World without end. Amen, Amen

Confession of Sin

O promised Christ, we are a world at war. Our peace depends on your coming. We are a sinful people. Our pardon depends on your coming. We are full of good intentions but weak at keeping promises; our only hope of doing God’s will is that You should come to us by your Word and Spirit and change us from within. Lord Christ, Word made flesh, you came in the flesh; now change our flesh as our world waits for your peace, for Your pardon, and for Your grace. Even so: come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

Congregational Singing

What child is this, who, laid to rest, on Mary's lap is sleeping?

Whom angels greet with anthems sweet,

while shepherds watch are keeping?

This, this is Christ the King, whom shepherds guard and angels sing:

haste, haste to bring him laud, the babe, the son of Mary.

Why lies he in such mean estate, where ox and ass are feeding?

Good Christian, fear, for sinners here the silent Word is pleading.

Nails, spear, shall pierce him through,

the cross be borne for me, for you:

hail, hail the Word made flesh, the babe, the son of Mary.

Assurance of Pardon

Responsive Reading Psalm 2 (p. 785)

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

*Praising God..... *The Doxology* #342

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Childcare is available in the Log Chapel at the parents’ discretion.

*Hymn “Unto My Lord Jehovah Said” #313

Pastoral Prayer

RECEPTION OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading..... Hebrews 5:1-6 (p. 1064)

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “Jesus, the High Priest for You”

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Hymn..... “Angels We Have Heard on High” #214

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Indicates standing for all who are able

Those Who Desire Prayer or Conversation

Any who desire prayer are welcome to go to the front of the sanctuary on the right side where one of our elders and his wife welcome the opportunity to talk and pray with you. If you have a question about what you have heard from God's Word during the service, about your relationship with God, or if you have some other matter to discuss, you are invited to visit there after the benediction, with people who care.

A Message: **Jesus, the High Priest for You**
from the Bible: **Hebrews 5:1-6** (p. 1064)
on: December 16, 2018 – a.m. service

at: Redeemer Reformed Presbyterian Church, Queensbury, NY

Introduction

The High Priest is taken from among men

v. 1

The Son of God became one of us in order to be “for us”.

The High Priest is called by God

vs. 4-6

The Father and the Son love you.

The High Priest offers gifts and sacrifices for sins

v. 1

Jesus gave his life for you.

“who has set us free by the one sacrifice of his body”

The High Priest is appointed for men, in relation to God

v. 1

Christ intercedes for you now

“who continually pleads our cause with the Father”

The Heidelberg Catechism

31 Q. WHY IS HE CALLED “CHRIST” MEANING “ANOINTED”?

A. Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit¹ to be our chief prophet and teacher² who perfectly reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God for our deliverance;³ our only high priest⁴ who has set us free by the one sacrifice of his body,⁵ and who continually pleads our cause with the Father;⁶ and our eternal king⁷ who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.⁸

1 Luke 3:21-22; 4:14-19 (Isa. 61:1); Heb. 1:9 (Ps. 45:7)

2 Acts 3:22 (Deut. 18:15)

3 John 1:18; 15:15

4 Heb. 7:17 (Ps. 110:4)

5 Heb. 9:12; 10:11-14

6 Rom. 8:34; Heb. 9:24

7 Matt. 21:5 (Zech. 9:9)

8 Matt. 28:18-20; John 10:28; Rev. 12:10-11

Redeemer Verse

Matthew 1:21

**And she will bring forth a Son,
and you shall call His name Jesus,
for He will save His people from their sins.
Matthew 1:21**

THE WEEK AT A GLANCE

TODAY

9:30 AM	Sunday School for Adults and Teens
9:45 AM	Kid's Connection—Kids connecting with God's Word
10:30 AM	Worship Service
6:00 PM	Evening Worship
6:30 PM	Christmas Caroling in the Neighborhood

WEDNESDAY

6:30 PM	Bible Study and Prayer Meeting
8:00 PM	Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY

6:30 PM	Glens Falls Center Nursing Home Ministry
7:00 PM	Christmas Caroling at the Glens Falls Center

FRIDAY

7:00 PM	Brigade and 3G Lighthouse
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23, 2018

9:30 AM	Sunday School for Adults and Teens
9:45 AM	Kid's Connection—Kids connecting with God's Word
10:30 AM	Worship Service
4:00 PM	A Christmas Celebration—Musical Offerings of Voice and Instrument with Refreshments served!

Please see the Church website for a complete calendar that includes all future events.

FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2018

Attendance: 50

Giving for General Fund: \$5733.00

2017 Weekly Average Giving for General Fund: \$2852.00

Deacon Fund Balance: \$3060.70

Capital Building Fund: \$18,526.87 (\$4,000.00 in a CD, Balance in Savings)

VOLUNTEERS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 16

Ushers: Clint Traver and Eric Piesnikowski

Church Cleaning: Hungerford (New Building)

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Caroling

You are invited to bring the message of Christmas to many by caroling in the neighborhood and to shut-ins on Sunday evening, December 16th at 6:30 p.m., followed by hot chocolate. You are invited sing at Glens Falls Center where two of our church family live, at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 20th.

A Christmas Celebration - Sunday, Dec. 23rd, 4 p.m.

You are invited to sign up with the name of your musical presentation by Wed., Dec. 19th on the paper in the lobby. You can also contact Julia Dykshoorn directly at 518-761-9903 or juliarose1900@gmail.com.

Holiday Calendar

Dec. 16—Sun. - 6:30 p.m.—Christmas Caroling in the Neighborhood
Dec. 20—Thurs. 7:00 p.m.—Christmas Caroling at the Glens Falls Center
Dec. 23 - Sun. - 4 p.m. - A Christmas Celebration (Musical Presentations)
Dec. 24 - Mon. - 7 p.m. - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec. 26 - Wed. - No Prayer Meeting and Bible Study
Dec. 30—Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m., no other meetings

Capital Building Fund - Third Sunday Envelopes

The session reminds you of the giving opportunity available on the third Sunday of each month for offerings to the Capital Building Fund. An envelope will be provided in the bulletin this Sunday for this purpose. This money is being accumulated for use in capital projects, such as the expansion plan using a steel building described in the annual report distributed at the congregational meeting. We thank God that this fund has doubled over the past few months. Offerings can be made at anytime by marking your check on the memo line, "Capital Building Fund", placing it in the offering plate or by mailing it to, RRPC, 548 Luzerne Rd., Queensbury, NY 12804. Thank you.

Expansion Plans

Three years ago the expansion committee identified priorities such as:

- 1) Expand the parking lot.
- 2) Provide a drop-off place near the worship hall for seniors and disabled people.
- 3) Provide a large space for fellowship meals and recreation for adults and children, with kitchen availability on the same level.
- 4) Provide space for fellowship and conversation before and after worship services.
- 5) Provide a nursery for little ones.
- 6) Provide an on-site pastor's study.
- 7) Provide additional educational class-rooms.
- 8) Retain the Log Chapel for education and children's programs.

The parking lot expansion is completed, and we praise God for that! An initial drawing of a steel building to address all of the remaining priorities was provided in the annual report, and it is being refined.