

Church on the Hill

A Congregation of the
Reformed Church in America

167-07 35th Avenue, Flushing, NY 11358

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11:00 a.m.



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Mr. Sean Cotty – Music Director

Rev. Robert A. Perless – Pastor Emeritus

**Welcome to worship at Church on the Hill!
We're so glad you have joined us this morning. Please
read the following for more details about the worship
service.**

****Please silence your cell phones prior to the service****

The sanctuary and pews have been thoroughly cleaned in preparation for worship today. During the worship service, we ask that you continue to **wear your masks for the duration of the service**. The congregation is invited to join in responses and the hymn singing—we ask that you **speak and sing at a conversational volume**. We have opened as many windows as possible in the sanctuary to increase ventilation. Please **do not attempt to open the windows that are closed**. Offering plates are located at the back of the sanctuary; **on your way out of the sanctuary, you can place your offering in the plates**. At the conclusion of the service, **please wait to be dismissed** by the ushers, allowing us to clear any video equipment in the aisle. We ask that you take your bulletin with you and do not leave it in the sanctuary. Bathrooms are available for use in Gessner Hall. There will be no coffee hour after the service.

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

BOLD – Congregation responds

* – Congregation Stands

PRELUDE

Opus 118 (1 and 2)

Johannes Brahms

VOTUM

SENTENCES

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

* HYMN No. 250

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!

Unto Christ, our heavenly king, Alleluia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!

Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

*But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!*

*Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
Praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring healing to all our wounds, make whole all that is broken in us, speak the truth to all our illusions, and shed light in every darkness so that all creation will see your glory through us and come to know Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON/WISDOM FOR LIFE

SOLO

Pavane

Maurice Ravel

Soloist: Simon Walsh, Flute

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit, open our hearts to receive your Word, reveal to us the good news, and enable us to trust in the promise of salvation in Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 John 1:1-2:2

John 20: 19-31

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Doubt

Rev. Doug Estella

CONFESSION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.**

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended to heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord's 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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the Kingdom and the power
And the glory, forever. Amen.**

*HYMN No. 239

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

I know that my Redeemer lives!

What joy this blest assurance gives!

He lives, he lives, who once was dead;

He lives, my everliving Head!

He lives triumphant from the grave;

He lives eternally to save;

He lives exalted, throned above;

He lives to rule his church in love.

He lives to bless me with his love;

He lives to plead for me above;

He lives my hungry soul to feed;

He lives to help in time of need.

He lives, my kind, wise, heavenly friend!

He lives and loves me to the end;

He lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;

He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King!

He lives, all glory to his name!

He lives, my Savior, still the same;

What joy this blest assurance gives:

I know that my Redeemer lives!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Sonata no. 3 (Mvmnt. IV) Robert Schumann

Announcements

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar this morning were given by Sue Nicholas in celebration of Jim Nicholas's Birthday!

Thank You, Dora!

Thank you to Dora Galit for filling in for Sean Cotty this morning!

Weekly Calendar

Check the weekly email tomorrow for all the happenings and ministries of Church on the Hill!

Bargain Boutique

The Bargain Boutique will remain closed for the foreseeable future. Please hold all donations until we re-open.

Prayer Requests

*If you would like to add a loved one to the prayer list,
please contact the church office*

Miram Allen

Angela Berdon

Deegan Family

Diane Blagburn

Blake Family

Susan Brooks

Carolyn Brunjes

Lillian Calfa

Marilyn Cooney

Henry Detreville

Family of Angela Edward

Janet Fiala

John & Hazel Gittens

Rosemarie Graffeo

Herbert Family

Helen Hunt

Hank Klushin

Betty Kwong

Lynn Lauterbach

Nancy Lee

Jorge & Tiffany Martinez

Gerry & Jean Mandler

Barbara & Neil Meurer

Miller Family

Ruben & Eva Munoz

Betty Dalton Prager

Racquel Prager

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Rosemary Vazquez

Alison Venable

Alex Young

John Young

Joan Werbel

Buck

Dilip

Carole

Robin



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