

Church on the Hill

A Congregation of the
Reformed Church in America
167-07 35th Avenue, Flushing, NY 11358

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10:00 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.

*when first I saw the Lord;
refresh me with the radiant view
of Jesus and his word!*

*From every idol I have known
now set my spirit free;
O make me worship you alone,
and reign supreme in me.*

*So shall my walk be close with God,
my wanderings be forgiven;
so shall his light mark out the road
that leads at last to heaven.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON/WISDOM FOR LIFE

SOLO

Lord, Make Me an Instrument

Soloist: Maureen Saepia-Chen

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;*

*where there is discord, may there be union,
where there is doubt, faith;*

*Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace;
where there is despair, let there be hope,
where there is darkness, light,
where there is sadness may there be joy!*

*May we all be in peace, and only peace,
and may that peace come unto each of us.*

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 READING

Psalm 103: 1-17

Matthew 18: 23-35

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Paying It Forward

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.**

SOLO

Jesus Paid It All

Soloist: Maureen Saepia-Chen

I hear the Saviour say:

"Thy strength indeed is small.

Child of weakness, watch and pray;

Find in me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all;

All to Him I owe.

Sin had left a crimson stain;

He washed it white as snow.

*For nothing good have I
whereby Thy grace to claim.*

*I'll wash my garments white
in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.*

And when before the Throne

*I stand in Him complete
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
my lips shall still repeat.*

*Jesus paid it all;
all to Him I owe.
Sin had left a crimson stain;
He washed it white as snow.*

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.**

PRAYER RESPONSE

*Hear our prayer, O Lord;
incline thine ear to us
and grant us thy peace.
Amen.*

Hear Our Prayer, O Lord

*Be still, my soul! The Lord is on your side:
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in every change he faithful will remain.*

*Be still, my soul! Your best, your heavenly Friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.*

*Be still, my soul! Your God will undertake
to guide the future as he has the past;
your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.*

*Be still, my soul! The waves and winds still know
his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.*

*Be still, my soul! The hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.*

*Be still, my soul! When change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.*

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

God Be With You

*God be with you till we meet again;
by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again.*

POSTLUDE

The Lord Bless You and Keep You John Rutter

Announcements

Music Notes

Thank you to Dora Galit for filling in for Sean Cotty today!

Lord Make Me an Instrument was composed by Jonathan Willcocks and lyrics are attributed to St Francis of Assisi (1182-1226) and the Vedas.

Jesus Paid it All was composed by John T. Grape arranged by Ovid Young with lyrics by Elvina M. Hall.

Parables of Jesus

Throughout the summer, Pastor Doug will be speaking on the parables of Jesus. We will allow them to impress us with not only their wisdom but to grip us with their power to impact our lives and change us.

Weekly Calendar

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

Bargain Boutique

Keeping in mind the continued health and safety of church staff and members of our community, the Consistory at Church on the Hill has decided to close the Bargain Boutique indefinitely.

We will not be accepting donations of any kind until further notice.

Please refer to the church website (churchonthehill.org/bargain-boutique) and weekly emails for updated information regarding the re-opening of the Boutique.

Prayer Requests

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

Miram Allen	Andrew LaClaustra
Barbara Andrade	Lynn Lauterbach
Bermudez Family	Nancy Lee
Family of Bill Brendel	Irene Sirotnak
Deegan Family	Jorge & Tiffany Martinez
Diane Blagburn	Gerry & Jean Mender
Susan Brooks	Miller Family
Lillian Calfa	Molino Family
Marilyn Cooney	Sarah Mundy
Henry Detreville	Ruben & Eva Munoz
Janet Fiala	Prager Families
John & Hazel Gittens	Racquel Prager
Gordon Family	Barbara Rogers
Rosemarie Graffeo	Ross Family
Virginia Haggart	Rosemary Vazquez
Carol Hughes	Alison Venable
Helen Hunt	John Young
Hank Klushin	Joan Werbel
Krieg Family	Katie
Betty Kwong	



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