

Church on the Hill

A Congregation of the
Reformed Church in America

167-07 35th Avenue, Flushing, NY 11358

January 10, 2021

11:00 a.m.



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Rev. Blaine D. Crawford – Pastor

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

Sonata for Flute (Movement II)
Simon Walsh, Flute

Poulenc

VOTUM

SENTENCES

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

God of heaven and earth, we gather in the name of Jesus to hear your Holy Word and to be immersed in your Spirit. Speak to us with grace and truth and pour out your love upon us so that we may resound with joyful shouts of glory; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

* HYMN No.193

O Love, How Deep, How Broad

*O Love, how deep, how broad, how high,
how passing thought and fantasy:
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake.*

*For us baptized, for us he bore
his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharp he knew,
for us the tempter overthrew.*

*For us he prayed, for us he taught,
for us his daily works he wrought,*

*by words and signs and actions, thus
still seeking not himself, but us.*

*For us to evil power betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death,
for us gave up his dying breath.*

*For us he rose from death again;
for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent his Spirit here
to guide, to comfort, and to cheer.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of all glory, you look from heaven
and see us as we are—
not worthy to kneel at your feet,
not ready to welcome your way.
Forgive us, gracious God.
In Christ, stoop down to save us;
loosen the ties that bind us to sin
and set us free to love and serve you;
in Jesus' name. Amen**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON/WISDOM FOR LIFE

SOLO

Fantasia No. 6 (Movement I)
Simon Walsh, Flute

Telemann

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Send down your Holy Spirit, O God—
tear open the veil of heaven
and speak to us as beloved children
so that we may hear and believe

the good news of your Word made flesh,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Genesis 1:1-5

Mark 1:4-11

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Baptized with the Spirit

Rev. Blaine
Crawford

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. 190

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

*Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord to you we
raise, once revealed, when heaven's star brought the wise
men from afar: Branch of royal David's stem in your birth at
Bethlehem, word before the world began, God revealed
to us in man.*

*God revealed at Jordan's stream, prophet, priest and king
supreme, once revealed in power divine changing water
into wine: Cana's holy wedding guest keeping to the last
the best, word before the world began, God revealed to
us in man.*

*God revealed in valiant fight, conquering the devil's might,
sins forgiven, sickness healed, life restored and God
revealed: once revealed in gracious will ever bringing
good from ill, word before the world began, God revealed
to us in man.*

*Stars shall fall and heavens fade, sun and moon shall dark
be made; Christ will then like lightning shine, all will see the
glorious sign: all will then the trumpet hear, all will see the
Son appear, word before the world began, God revealed
to us in man.*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Organ Sonata No. 4 (Movement I)* Mendelssohn

Announcements

Sanctuary Air Circulation

As the temperatures begin to drop, the ushers will be opening fewer windows during the worship. However, we have installed new air filters for the sanctuary in order to meet current COVID-19 standards. We will continue to take all necessary precautions for your health and safety.

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

Roslyn Andela

Babinsky Family

Bermudez Family

Diane Blagburn

Christina & Sadie Boll

Elizabeth Bossis

Susan Brooks

Carolyn Brunjes

Lillian Calfa

David Cerqueira

Gracinda Cerqueira

Jose Cerqueira

Marie Collins

Helen Cunningham

Rosina Cuticone

Lenny DeSimone

The Frocione Family

John & Hazel Gittens

Brooke Graffeo

Rosemarie Graffeo

Alex Guzman

Hotchkiss Family

Helen Hunt

Betty Kwong

Lynn Lauterbach

Nancy Lee

Jorge & Tiffany Martinez

Jean Mandler

Gerda Miller

Ruben & Eva Munoz

Murray Family

Patricia Olney

Barbara Rogers

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Roppolo Family

Smith Family

Jocelyn Toner

Rosemary Vasquez

Alison Venable

Vera Family

Alex Young

Joan Werbel



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*Chairperson is also Consistory Representative unless otherwise stated.



The sanctuary is looped for the hard of hearing. In order to connect to the system, please sit in the north set of pews (on your right when you enter the sanctuary) and set your hearing device to the "T" setting.



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