

# Church on the Hill

A Congregation of the  
Reformed Church in America  
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**January 30, 2022**  
**10:30 A.M.**



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**Rev. I. Douglas Estella – Stated Supply**

**Mr. Sean Cotty – Music Director**

**Rev. Robert A. Perless – Pastor Emeritus**

# 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**BOLD** – Congregation responds

\* – Congregation Stands

PRELUDE            Improvisation on "O Waly Waly"            Sean Cotty

WELCOME

VOTUM

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; 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. 92    CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

*Crown him with many crowns,  
The Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns  
All music but its own;  
Awake, my soul, and sing  
Of him who died for thee,  
And hail him as thy matchless king  
Through all eternity.*

Crown him the Lord of life,  
Who triumphed o'er the grave,  
And rose victorious in the strife  
For those he came to save;  
His glories now we sing  
Who died and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring,  
And lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of love;  
Behold his hands and side,  
Rich wounds, yet visible above,  
In beauty glorified;  
No angels in the sky  
Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bend their burning eyes  
At mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of years,  
The potentate of time,  
Creator of the rolling spheres,  
Ineffably sublime.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise shall never, never fail  
Throughout eternity.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**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 and mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON/GOD'S WISDOM FOR LIFE

SOLO FLUTE SONATA (I. ALLEGRO MALINCONICO) POULENC  
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

Jim Nicholas

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Luke 4:21-30

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

## SERMON

“The Scandal of the Familiar”

Rev. Doug Estella

## \*CONFESSION OF FAITH

*The Apostles' Creed (RCA contemporary version)*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
And born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
Was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again 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.**

*\* The word "catholic" means "universal,"  
referring to all followers of Christ worldwide.*

**SOLO FLUTE SONATA IN E<sup>b</sup> MAJOR (MOVEMENT II - SICILIANO)  
J.S. BACH  
Simon Walsh, Flute**

# 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. 499

LORD, I WAS BLIND

*Lord, I was blind; I could not see  
In your marred visage any grace:  
But now the beauty of your face  
In radiant vision dawns on me.*

*Lord, I was deaf; I could not hear  
The thrilling music of your voice:  
But now I hear you and rejoice,  
And all your spoken words are dear.*

*Lord, I was mute; I could not speak  
The grace and glory of your name:  
But now, as touched with living flame,  
My lips will speak for Jesus' sake.*

*Lord, I was dead; I could not move  
My lifeless soul from sin's dark grave:  
But now the power of life you gave  
Has raised me up to know your love.*

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Finale from Symphony for Organ No. 6

By Charles-Marie Widor

Sean Cotty

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## **Music Note**

Thank you to Simon Walsh, Jim and Sue Nicholas and Maureen Saepia-Chen for adding so much to our service in volunteering to play, read *and* lead singing for us today!

## **JOIN OUR EMAIL LIST!**

Be sure to sign up for our email list to keep up with the latest Church on the Hill happenings through the weekly email and the Beacon. Add your name and email to the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary or send an email to the church office at **office@churchonthehill.org**.

## **PRAYER LIST**

Please reach out to the church office if you would like to add a name to the prayer list. Email **office@churchonthehill.org**

## **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 until it is refurbished. We will not accept donations at this time.

## **Zoom Coffee Hour**

Join us after the service for the [Zoom Coffee Hour](#)! It's a chance to catch up with your friends and to hear the latest news of what's happening outside your house!



## *Prayer Requests*

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

Edward Bausman

The Bermudez Family

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Debi Romano

The Family of Patrick Symes

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\*Chairperson is also Consistory Representative unless otherwise stated.



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