

# Church on the Hill

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

**July 31, 2022**  
**10:30 AM**



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**Rev. Justin Meyers**

**Mr. Sean Cotty — Music Director**

Rev. Robert A. Perless – Pastor Emeritus

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

**BOLD** – Congregation responds

\* – Congregation Stands

**Prelude**

Improvisation on “Nicaea”

Sean Cotty

**Welcome**

**Votum**

Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth. **Amen.**

**Sentences of Scripture**

**Prayer of Invocation**

Holy God, your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured. Teach those of us who bear his name to follow the example he gave us. May our faith, hope, and charity turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and death to eternal life; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Call to Worship**

Psalm 100: 1, 2, 5

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness. Come into God’s presence with singing! **For the Lord is a gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.**

\* **Hymn No. 2**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

## \* Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardon/God's Wisdom for Life

**Trio** Trio Sonata from "The Musical Offering" (I. Largo) J.S. Bach  
Soloists- Maxfield Panish, Simon Walsh, and Sean Cotty

## Prayer of Illumination

O God, by your Spirit tell us what we need to hear, and show us what we ought to do, to obey Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

## Scripture Readings

Genesis 32: 9-23, 33: 1-17

Acts 15: 36-40

*This is the Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "Imperfect Reconciliation" Rev. Justin Meyers

**\* 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<sup>†</sup> Church,  
The communion of saints,  
The forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body,  
And the life everlasting. Amen.**

*<sup>†</sup> The word "catholic" means "universal,"  
referring to all followers of Christ worldwide.*

**Trio**            Deux Interludes (I. Andante Espressivo)            Jacques Ibert  
Soloists- Maxfield Panish, Simon Walsh, and Sean Cotty

**\* Doxology**

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. 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. 704**                      As Sons of the Day and Daughters of Light

\* **Benediction**

**Postlude**                      Fugue in G Major BWV 541                      J.S. Bach

# Announcements

## MUSIC NOTE

Thank you to Simon Walsh and Maxfield Parish for providing the beautiful music at this mornings service!

## SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS

We are helping to collect school supplies to provide for First Reformed Church's food pantry families. There is a collection box located by the entrance to the Church, and you can find a flier on the table at the back of the Church or in our weekly email for more information on what they are looking to collect. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, you can place it in the offering plate. You can also do so through our online giving platform, Tithe.ly, under the "School Supply Project" fund.

## FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

There is a collection box located by the entrance to the Church where we accept donations of boxed/canned goods throughout the year.

## BARGAIN BOUTIQUE

The Bargain Boutique is closed for renovations and not accepting donations at this time.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Check the weekly email tomorrow for all the happenings at COTH!

## 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. Send an email request to the church office at [office@churchonthehill.org](mailto:office@churchonthehill.org).



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.

## Prayer Requests

*If you would like to add a loved one to the prayer list, or if your loved one no longer needs to be on the prayer list, please contact the church office at [office@churchonthehill.org](mailto:office@churchonthehill.org). Thank you!*

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Evelyne Gillen Buscher

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Janet Fiala

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