

Welcome

Welcome to the Reformed Church of Port Ewen this morning. We are glad that you are here with us. Whether you've been worshipping here for a long time or you're entering the doors of our church for the first time today it is our hope that you'll experience a kind welcome, a sense of genuine community, and the grace and truth that the Christian Church has celebrated for centuries.

APPROACH TO GOD

Prelude

"Give Ear to My Words"

Sprouse

Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Let us come together and worship, all children of the living God.

In Christ, we are adopted into the family of God.

And the Holy Spirit goes with us, bearing witness of God's love.

Through the storms and through the good times, God is there.

Let us proclaim for all the world to hear God's love in Christ!

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Hymn of Praise

"Morning Has Broken"

Unison

1 Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing,
2 Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en,
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing

black-bird has spo - ken like the first bird.
like the first dew - fall on the first grass.
born of the one light E - den saw play!

Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the morn - ing!
Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet gar - den,
Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery morn - ing,

Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
sprung in com - plete - ness where his feet pass.
God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

Call to Confession

Called to follow, we often trip over our temptations, falling flat on our faith. But God picks us up, sets us on the solid ground of grace, and sends us out as servants. Let us confess our sins to the One who is always faithful.

Prayer of Confession

O God, we confess we are slow to trust our lives into Your care. So many times we seek after every other way we feel might offer hope rather than seek Your Way for our lives. We need the comfort and assurance of your leading us on, O God. We admit that we are weak, that we are weary and worn down by the pressures of daily living, from the frailties of body and spirit, and from asking ourselves to do less or more than we are able. Because our independence is not omnipotent, we need your help to come through the temporary times of feeling our vitality nearly depleted. Forgive us, Lord, and help us learn to follow You. In Christ we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Listen! Before you were born, God called you by name, claiming you are God's Child. Pay attention! You are forgiven. Believe this and go forth to live in peace. Amen.

Call to New Obedience

We have confessed our shortcomings. We have heard words of forgiveness. We are reminded to Love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. We are told to love neighbor as ourselves. We are also directed to be Doers of The Word and not Hearers only; not hearers who forget but doers who act, and you will be blessed in your doing.

Gloria Patri



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the
Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is
now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, A - men.

WORD OF GOD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

First Reading

Old Testament: Psalm 130

Waiting for Divine Redemption

A Song of Ascents.

¹ *Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.*

² *Lord, hear my voice!*

*Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my supplications!*

³ *If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?*

⁴ *But there is forgiveness with you,
so that you may be revered.*

⁵ *I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,
and in his word I hope;*

⁶ *my soul waits for the Lord
more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.*

⁷ *O Israel, hope in the LORD!
For with the LORD there is steadfast love,
and with him is great power to redeem.*

⁸ *It is he who will redeem Israel
from all its iniquities.*

*The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.*

Second Reading

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43

A Girl Restored to Life and a Woman Healed

21 When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered round him; and he was by the lake. 22 Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet 23 and begged him repeatedly, 'My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live.' 24 So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. 25 Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years. 26 She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. 27 She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, 28 for she said, 'If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.' 29 Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. 30 Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' 31 And his disciples said to him, 'You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, "Who touched me?"' 32 He looked all round to see who had done it. 33 But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. 34 He said to her, 'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease.'

35 While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, 'Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?' 36 But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, 'Do not fear, only believe.' 37 He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. 38 When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 When he had entered, he said to them, 'Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping.' 40 And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. 41 He took her by the hand and said to her, 'Talitha cum', which means, 'Little girl, get up!' 42 And immediately the girl got up and began to

walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. 43 He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"The Healthiest Hour of the Week"

Sermon Notes

Confession of the Faith: The Apostles' Creed

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.

RESPONSE TO GOD

Tithes & Offering (*Not collected during service. Plates at both entrance and exit*)

Doxology

Worship & Rejoice, #34

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low;
praise him a - bove, ye heav-en-ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

Prayers of the People & The 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 debts, as
we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn of Sending

"Be Thou My Vision"

1 Be thou my Vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2 Be thou my Wis - dom, and thou my true Word,
3 High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
high King of heav - en, my Treas - ure thou art.
still be my Vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Benediction

Congregational Response

“God Be With You”

Postlude

Worship & Rejoice, #716

2021 Consistory

Elders

Linda Bresnahan-McCarthy (687-9664)
Kathy Kinsch (338-6378)
Colleen Sutton (389-1445)
Raymond Wells (338-2915)

Deacons

Bonnie Lalor (339-7278)
Peg Rhoda (338-9291)

Prayer List

World— the nations of Burkina Faso and Mali admits the recent violence and massacres

(J. Hadley); The Coronavirus, governments, scientists and public health officials around the world responding to the crisis, all those who put themselves at risk to care for the sick (church family); An end to the coronavirus, A solution for the refugee crisis around the world, esp. Syria (K. Lamb); for all the homeless (Phyllis & Janet Hutton); Military coup in Burma/Myanmar (Church Family).

Nation — President Joseph R. Biden and Vice-President Kamala Harris; Governor Andrew Cuomo; U.S. Senators Gillibrand and Schumer; U.S. Representative Antonio Delgado; Repentance for racism, prayers for justice and resolution to racial tension.

Church Worldwide — Persecuted Church (China, Nigeria, North Korea).

RCA — Oman Protestant Church and Bode Family, Al-Amanda Center.

Mid-Hudson Classis — Jim Van Benschoten, Rev. Bob Vanderlaan, Rev. Eric Titus.

Petitions of healing, protection, and deliverance — Jean Lord, Family, friends, classmates, and teachers of Emily Pauli, a young girl who drowned recently (Van Aken family); All those in need in our community, and for the work of Hunger Is Not An Option Food Pantry (C. Mabie); Aidan Kinsch (Kinsch family); Servicemen and women who suffer from PTSD (C. Sutton); Sara Hartrum (S. Goodrich); Robert Holowiack (J. Loring); Cecillia Lalor (B. Lalor); Luke (Wells family); Ellen Lynch (Phyllis & Janet Hutton); for Glenn and his family upon the death of his uncle, Bill Hess, Neil Shah, Gail Berger (Glenn Knickerbocker); Fred Rhoda (Rhoda family); Reda family, Debbie Ennis, Lori Palladino, Charles Barnett III, Fred Rhoda (Bresnahan-McCarthy family); victims of Asian hate crimes (C. Van Deusen); Blake Parker (Stickley family); Elnora McSpirit, Monica Kelbaugh, Linda Bresnahan-McCarthy, continue to pray for the nation of India, particularly for a friend of Pastor Kevin’s from seminary, Santosh Bardhan, and his ministry “Love One Another Ministries” that is at work in India, Martha Koelli, the military coup in Myanmar, Bea Hogan (Church Family).

Homebound/nursing homes/institutions — Pauline Wyre, Verna Allen, Lucille Van Steenburgh, Bea Hogan, Martha Koelli, Marie Klippel.

Grieving— Family & friends of: Marion Lucille VanSteenburgh, Kathleen Van Tassell (Spinnenweber), Annamarie Reda, Donna VanLoan Brice, Carol Esther Haynes-Brown, Charles Hartman, Lilian Bloch, Mary Van Deusen, Barbara Carlson-Wells, & Raymond Robinson.

Praise & Thanksgiving — Rick Whittaker had a scan last week to see how well the chemo treatments were working. Praise God, the scan showed good news! For being back together in worship, and for all the work that went into making worship possible from home these past five months! (J. Loring); Rev. Eric Titus has retired from St. John’s in Red Hook and continues his recovery at home (J. Nolting).

Worship Participants:

Linda Bresnahan McCarthy, organist & choir director

Bev Gallagher, Matt Branford, guest vocalists

Rev. Nick Miles, preaching

Sunny Scherry, lay reader

General Announcements

Pastoral Care—Pastor Kevin has official hours in his study every Tuesday and Wednesday morning from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. if you are in need of counsel and care. Pastor Kevin is also in his study at various times throughout the week and encourages you to stop by and say hello! Friday is Pastor Kevin's Sabbath and he will not be in the office. You can also contact Cheri, the office administrator or Pastor Kevin to set up an appointment when necessary. Contact Information: Church: 331-2782, Home: 383-1274, and in an emergency Cellphone: 517-398-0986. Email: kevin.slusher@rcpe.info.

We welcome Reverend Nick Miles to the pulpit this morning!

Save the Date! On August 7th there will be a picnic to celebrate Pastor Kevin's time with us and to wish him well in his new endeavor. It will be at the George Freer Memorial Park/Beach in Port Ewen at 1 PM.

Masks and Social Distancing — The consistory has decided to follow the CDC recommendations of May 14. All who are vaccinated are no longer asked to wear masks and/or social distance. We do require that those who are unvaccinated continue to wear masks. All those who choose to continue to wear a mask, for whatever reason, will not only be respected, but we will actively make space for you to do as you feel comfortable.

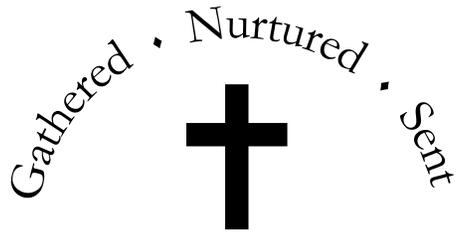
Deacons' Announcements

The June Mission of the Month is The Bravo Center, formerly known as The Pregnancy Support Center of Ulster County. It is affiliated with Care Net, an international organization of pregnancy centers, serving in Ulster County, New York. They are a not-for profit, non-partisan, Christian organization supported by individuals and churches. Bravo provides pregnancy tests, and ultrasounds, counseling, and material resources, among other services to women and families in need. They also provide abortion recovery support groups. All of their services are free and confidential. In lieu of the "Baby Bottle Project" this year, we will be giving our donations this month directly to the Center. If you feel called to donate to this mission, please clearly mark your checks and envelopes with "June M.O.M.". As always, thank you for your generosity.

Faith Formation

There will be no Wednesday Bible Study this week. We will resume on July 7th

The July/August "Words of Hope" booklets have arrived. They are located on the table in Fairbrother Hall.



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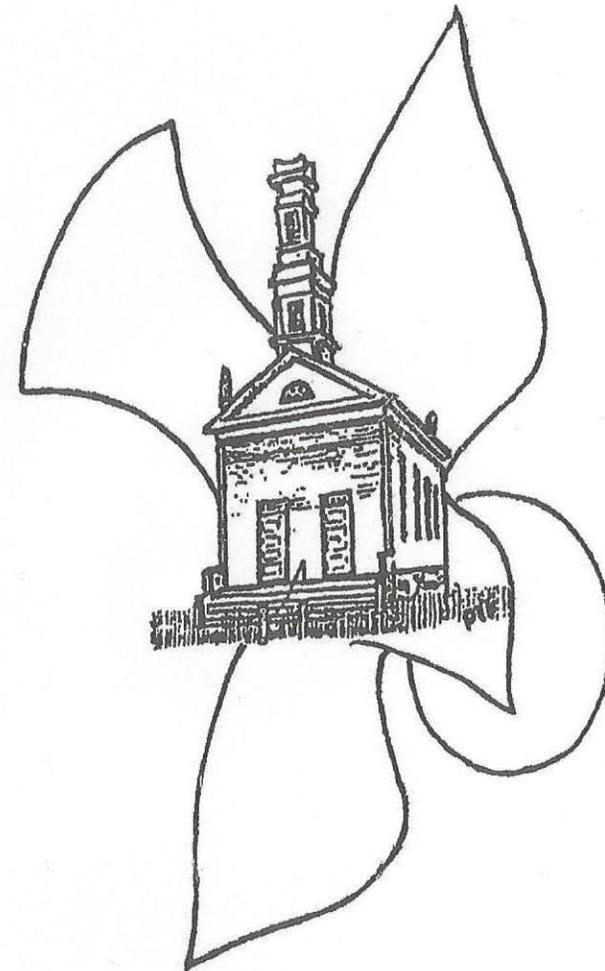
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About the Reformed Church of Port Ewen: Our Mission Statement

We, the people of the Reformed Church of Port Ewen believe that God, through the Son Jesus Christ, and by the leading of the Holy Spirit, is calling us to be a servant church in the world. We believe the purpose of our congregation, through its ministry and program, is to raise up before all people the Lord Jesus Christ as our example and our hope by actions of *worship* and *praise*, by continuing Christian *education*, by opportunities and joys of church and *community fellowship*, and the sacrificial Christ-like deeds we call *mission*. Our aim and goal is to become a missionary congregation and not a self-serving institution.



Sunday Worship
June 27, 2021
10:00 A.M.
Fifth Sunday after Pentecost