



Altamont Reformed Church

First Sunday of Lent
February 21, 2021

WE GATHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD!

Welcome

Lenten Candle Lighting

Lord Jesus, as we walk with you through these forty days, let your light shine into our hearts.

Brighten the darkness of our lives and show us where we need to repent.

In our thoughts, words, and actions, teach us to rely on you.

Renew us as your people, that we may carry your light to the world.

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, whose Son Jesus Christ was tempted in every way, yet without sin, we confess before you that we have sinned;
we have hungered after that which does not satisfy;
we have compromised with evil;
we have doubted your power to protect us.

Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness.

Restore in us such love and trust that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon: Romans 5:8

The Law of God

Ministry of Music

“Love the Lord Your God”

Love the Lord your God with all your heart.
Love the Lord your God with all your soul.
Love the Lord your God with all your mind.
Love the Lord your God with all that you are.

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Text: Genesis 9:8-17

Sermon

WE RESPOND WITH GRATITUDE

Announcements

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

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. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choral Benediction

Benediction

LOOKING FORWARD

Monday, Feb. 22: 7 p.m., Consistory Meeting

Sunday, Feb. 28: 10:30 a.m., Virtual Worship Service. The homepage of our website (altamontreformed.org) will direct you to the link and phone number.

Thank you to all who helped with the Property Committee painting day. Watch for more information on a follow-up date.

Church World Service Blankets+ Campaign

Continuing through March 14, contributions will be collected to support CWS efforts to supply blankets, hygiene kits, tents, COVID-19 education, and other tools to refugees and to those suffering from natural disasters.

Donations in the form of checks should be made out to the Benevolence Committee, with “blankets” on the memo line. Donations can be mailed to Kitt Jackson at 10 Rita Ct., Delmar, NY 12054 or put in her mailbox at church. If you prefer to include blanket donations in with the regular weekly or monthly giving that you send to the church office, please send a separate check.

Don't forget to include a note to tell Kitt how to dedicate your heart(s), either in memory of or in honor of someone who has brought love to your life.

Donations of any amount are welcome. For each \$10 received, a small paper heart will be added to a large heart on Kitt's dining room wall. Our goal is to raise a total of \$1000 to “blanket the world with love.”

As of Feb. 19, 78 hearts have been donated!

Dedications were made in memory of Joel Edwards (2); Hollis Stedman; my parents (2); Larry Jackson; Nick Audi, Sr.; Ida & Howard Gurney; Hilde and Alfred Shutz; Tom Stevens; Lou Page; Melanie Murphy; Wayne Lennebacker; Vivian Olsen; Jason Drahzal; Norma & Nathan Frolkey; Keith Frolkey; Anna & Jaroslav Drahovzal; Joe & Helen Drahzal; Helen & Jason Elliott; Newt

Ronan; Porter Bidleman; Jack Walters; Dottie & Carl Walters; and Greg Jackson.

Dedications were made in honor of Cindy Edwards; Sarah Stedman; Martha & Roger Mock; Jim & Claudia Howie; Ruth & John Hammons; Anne & Frank Mercede; Betty Ketcham; Carol Rothenberg; Kitt Jackson; Roger & Diane Kingsland; Craig & Barbara Sargent; Mark & Erica, Sadie & Norah; Becca & Kevin; our children and front-line workers and families who have lost loved ones to COVID; Scott & Danielle Drazhal; McKenna & Sarah Drazhal; Jacob & Kari Hoffman; Lindsie, Jeremy, Alyssa, Hayleigh, and Jacob Hoffman; Deb and Chris Walters; Hannah, Luke, Jeremy, Amelia Walters; Rachael & Dan Orsini; Owen & Avery Orsini; Ben & Nicole Hoffman; Elizabeth Hoffman; Dan & Jen Hoffman; Inu, Ryan & Cristina Orsini; Elaine Orsini; and Betsy Buchardt.

Recordings of Worship Services

Listen to or download recordings from a link on the website home page.

Updates Requested

Because we do not see each other on a regular basis, it is very important that you email (nancymacarc@gmail.com) or call (518-861-8711) the office if you have an update or an addition to our prayer corner, address and phone number changes, and requests for our *ARCLite* via email.

Time to Order Easter Flowers!

Anyone wishing to order plants for Easter Sunday, April 4, is asked to complete [this order form](#) and mail it to John or Natalie Drazhal at PO Box 174, East Berne, NY 12059 or call them at 518-872-9735 by Wednesday, March 24.

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