



Altamont Reformed Church

Day of Pentecost
June 5, 2022

WE GATHER AS THE PEOPLE OF GOD!

Prelude

Betty Ketcham, Pianist

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Votum

Welcome

Call to Worship

This is the day of Pentecost!

When the flame of fire becomes the flame of faith.

This is the day of Pentecost!

When the tongue of fire becomes Good News for the world.

This is the day of Pentecost!

When the passion of fire becomes the cleansing of our hearts.

This is the day of Pentecost!

Let the people of God rejoice together in this place.

**Hymn*

“Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us”

(Purple) #280

Prayer of Confession

Spirit of God, we build walls and barriers. We assume and stereotype.

We devalue difference and stick with what is known and familiar.

Forgive our lack of courage. Embolden us to cross boundaries of

difference. Fill us with your Holy Spirit that gathers us together and calls us to community. Amen

Assurance of Pardon

Ezekiel 36:24-28

The Law of God

**Passing of the Peace*

The peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

**Gloria Patri*

(Purple) #581

Glory be to the father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Ministry of Music

“Come and Be Among Us, Lord”

Lloyd Larson

O come and be among us, Lord, today.

O come and be among us, Lord, we pray.

We are gathered in this place for a glimpse of Your dear face.

Come and be among us, Lord, today.

O come and touch us with Your healing pow’r.

O come and touch us, Lord, this very hour.

We are gathered in Your name and we’ll never be the same.

Come and touch us with Your healing pow’r.

Come and dwell within our hearts, Lord, today.

Come and dwell within our hearts, Lord, we pray.

Let your Spirit like a dove murmur peace and gentle love.

Come and dwell within our hearts today.

O come and make our willing lives Your own.

O come and make our humble hearts Your throne.

We are holy vessels, Lord, when Your grace in us is poured.

Come and make our willing lives Your own. Come and be among us, Lord, today.

GOD SPEAKS TO US THROUGH THE WORD AND SACRAMENT

Children's Message

**Hymn*

“As the Wind Song”

(Purple) #292

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading:

Acts 2:1-21

Sermon

**Affirmation of Faith*

from “Our Song of Hope” (RCA)

The Holy Spirit builds one church, united in one Lord and one hope, with one ministry around one table. The Spirit calls all believers in Jesus to respond in worship together, to accept all the gifts from the Spirit, to learn from each other's traditions, to make unity visible on earth.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Meaning of the Sacrament

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving (see pg. 8 of this bulletin)

Communion Hymn:

“Feed Us, Lord”

(Purple) #501

Words of Institution

WE RESPOND WITH GRATITUDE

Thanksgiving After Communion

Brothers and sisters, since the Lord has now fed us at his Table, let us praise God's holy name with heartfelt thanksgiving!

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and do not forget all his benefits—

who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him,

who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all, and will also give us
all things with him.

**Therefore shall my mouth and heart show forth the praise of the Lord,
from this time forth forevermore. Amen.**

Announcements

Offering

**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.**

**Prayer of Dedication*

Ordination and Installation of Elder and Deacon

Presentation

Exposition

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

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.

Closing Hymn* **“Go to the World” **(Purple) #295**

**Choral Benediction*

**Benediction*

Postlude

** Indicates the congregation stands, if able.*

WELCOME as we worship together in person or in our Zoom space.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE 5

VOLUNTEERS TODAY

Greeters & Counters Marianne Baratier & Claudette Rieck
Side Door Greeter Sallie Townsend
AV Support Ryan Brewer
Coffee Hour Charlie & Angie Stewart

FUTURE VOLUNTEERS

	June 12	June 19	June 26
Ushers & Greeters	Jan Davis & Jeff Countermine	Cheryl Ostrander & Rick Flaherty	Judi Dineen & Noreen Novak
Offering Counters	Jan Davis & Jeff Countermine	Cheryl Ostrander & Mike Gilman	Judi Dineen & Noreen Novak
AV Support	Tom Boink	Ryan Brewer	Mike Gilman
Coffee Hour	Barb Sargent	John & Natalie Drahzal	Julie & Dave Glass

COMING UP THIS WEEK

Today	11:30 a.m.	Coffee hour in Fellowship Hall & Worship Life Committee meeting
Mon., June 6	7 p.m.	Men's Study Group
Sun., June 12	9:30 a.m.	Chancel Choir rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Worship Service in person and on Zoom
	11:30 a.m.	Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall

SERVICE OF ORDINATION & INSTALLATION

Today the ARC congregation shares in the service of ordaining and installing deacon-elect Jan Davis and elder-elect Claudette Riek, as new members of Consistory. **THANK YOU** to Clara Lasselle and David Lasselle for your faithful years of service as members of our ARC Consistory.

FLOWERS NEEDED TO CELEBRATE CHILDREN'S DAY

The Reformed Church celebrates Children's Day on the second Sunday in June. For many years, the ARC Sunday school children led worship on this day and the entire congregation celebrated their growth as Christians. While we may not have many children in our church this year, we all have children we love. To celebrate them, people are encouraged to bring a potted flower to church on June 12 and place it on the table at the back of the sanctuary. A new flower bed is being created in a space near the side sanctuary door. Sunny annuals would be best: petunias, alyssum, zinnias, ageratum, marigolds, sweet peas, geraniums, and the like. Everyone is welcome to help in the creation of this flower bed that will serve as a reminder of God's gift of children.

"THE CARE NECESSITIES" JUNE COLLECTION

During the month of June we will be collecting personal care and hygiene products for the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. They have put out a special appeal for "The Care Necessities" that people need for day-to-day comfort and health but are not covered by SNAP (food stamp) benefits. The items we collect will be distributed to area food pantries. Bins will be provided in the sanctuary and outside the kitchen. Note: regular sizes needed, not samples or travel sizes. We invite you to pick up one or more of these items each time you shop this month and drop them off when you come to church.

Here's the list of requested items: bar soap, shower gel, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes (individually packaged), toothpaste, men's or women's disposable razors, shaving cream, toilet paper, sanitary pads, tampons, diapers, baby wipes, hand & body lotion, deodorant.

NEW ADDRESS

Ralph and Clara Lasselle are moving on Wednesday, June 15. Their new address is:

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy and right it is and our joyful duty to give thanks to you at all times and in all places, O Lord, our Creator, almighty and everlasting God!

You created the heaven with all its hosts and the earth with all its plenty. You have given us life and being and preserve us by your providence. But you have shown us the fullness of your love in sending into the world your Son, Jesus Christ, the eternal Word, made flesh for us men and for our salvation. For the precious gift of this mighty Savior who has reconciled us to you we praise and bless you, O God.

With your whole Church on earth and with all the company of heaven we worship and adore your glorious name.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest!

Most righteous God, we remember in this Supper the perfect sacrifice offered once on the cross by our Lord Jesus Christ for the sin of the world.

In the joy of his resurrection and in expectation of his coming again, we offer ourselves to you as holy and living sacrifices. Together we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!

Send your Holy Spirit upon us, we pray, that the bread which we break may be to us the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Grant that, being joined together in him, we may attain to the unity of the faith and grow up in all things into him Christ our Lord.

And as this grain has been gathered from many fields into one loaf and these grapes from many hills into one cup, grant, O Lord, that thy whole Church may soon be gathered from the ends of the earth into thy kingdom. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.