

Lebanon Reformed Church

Serving as the Heart of Christ in the Community



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Reign of Christ Sunday

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**Please stand if able.*

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Welcome and Announcements

Time of Meditation

Now to him who by the power that is working within us is able to do far beyond all that we ask or think, to him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21

Prelude

We Approach God

***Votum and Salutation:**

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord, Maker of heaven and earth.
Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

People: And our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Call to Worship:**

Leader: Sing to God! Worship God!

People: For God is great, and worth a thousand Hallelujahs.

Leader: God made the heavens, royal splendor radiates from Him, a powerful beauty sets Him apart.

People: Everyone join in the great shout: Hallelujah! In awe before the beauty, in awe before the might.

Leader: Bring gifts and celebrate, bow before the beauty of God, then to your knees- Come, let us worship God!

***Hymn of Praise: #24 (in the Praise Songbook) "We Bow Down"**

Prayer of the Day

Prayer of Confession: (in unison)

Loving God, forgive us when we pay more attention to satisfying our own needs, than seeking you and your will for our lives.

Forgive us when we are more interested in possessing the material things of life, rather than your spiritual gifts.

Help us to turn our lives around so that we are looking in the right direction- towards you. Only then can we hope to recognize the signs of your presence in the world.

This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen

Words of Assurance

Leader: Hear the good news! In Jesus Christ we have been enriched in every way, in everything we say, and in everything we know. In addition, through God's grace we do not lack any spiritual gift as we wait with anticipation for Jesus to be revealed. He is the one that will keep us strong to the end, so that we shall be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Call to Discipleship: (Q32. Heidelberg Catechism)

Leader: Brothers and sisters in Christ why are you called a Christian?

People: Because by faith I am a member of Christ and so I share in his anointing. I am anointed to confess His name, to present myself to Him as a living sacrifice of thanks, to strive with a free conscience against sin and the devil in this life, and afterward to reign with Christ over all creation for eternity.

*Gloria Patri #620

The Word of God

Children's Time

Prayer For Illumination

Anthem

First Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28.....Pg 976

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path.

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Gospel Reading: Luke 21: 1-4.....Pg 856

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Message: *Giving Freely*

*Hymn of Reflection #545 "Christ For The World We Sing"

We Respond To God

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all

People: And also with you.

Leader: I invite you to greet one another with the Peace of Christ

Choral Response Bless the Lord, My Soul" (2X)

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless His holy name.

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Offering

***Doxology #623**

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. And 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 Dedication “May The Lord, Mighty God” (tune of Edelweiss)**

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

Grant you peace, perfect peace, strength in every endeavor.

Lift your eyes and see His face, and His grace forever.

May the Lord, mighty God, bless and keep you forever.

***Benediction**

***Postlude**



Please join us after worship for our annual Harvest Luncheon and fellowship

If you are visiting for the first time, please sign our guest register in the sanctuary foyer.

Operation Christmas Child boxes DUE TODAY

Consistory Greeter: Nancy Bodyl, *Deacon*

Fellowship: Harvest Luncheon- **ALL** are invited

Musical Director Daren McCann

THIS UPCOMING WEEK AT LRC: 11/23-11/29/15		
WEDNESDAY 11/25	3:30-6:30pm	The Pastor is IN (church office)
FRIDAY 11/27	9am	Hanging of the Greens
SUNDAY 11/29 <i>(1st Sunday of Advent)</i>	9:30am	Adult Bible Study (NO Christian Education)
	10:30am	Worship

Mark Your Calendars

12/5 8am Bacon, Bibles & Bro’s

COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Rockaway Reformed Church, in Whitehouse Station, is holding its seventh annual Holiday Market on Saturday, **December 5th**, from 9am - 5pm. There will be a shopping preview on Friday evening, December 4th, from 5pm - 8pm. You'll have a chance to see the contents of the baskets and many will be available to purchase during the preview hours.

New this year customers will be able to "Build a Gift" from our wonderful selection of new children's clothing and accessories. There will be a main item and you can select the accessories you want go with it. All of the items will be individually priced. To complete the Build a Gift, you can have it wrapped, for a minimal charge.

Along with the ready to go gift baskets and the new "Build a Gift" option, there will be many of the traditional offerings you've enjoyed. Homemade candy, fudge, cakes, cookies, soup and jams made from locally sourced fruit. We'll have evergreen grave covers and beautifully hand decorated wreaths. The Silent Auction will return featuring numerous get certificates and items from many local establishments. And, weather permitting, live alpacas will be there to delight children of all ages! You can find out all about the alpacas and buy soft woolly products from their owners.

Known for its beautiful, reasonably priced gift baskets and other items, our Holiday Market will also have a light lunch available to eat-in or take home, featuring homemade soup, chili and waffles with great toppings! This is an event not to be missed at the Rockaway Reformed Church, 115 Main Street, Whitehouse Station, NJ. 08889. Mark your calendars, invite your friends and join us for a great shopping atmosphere during the preview night, Friday, December 4th, 5pm - 9pm and the main sale Saturday, December 5th, 9am - 5pm. See you there!

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**12/6 4pm** North Branch Reformed Church "Wrapping All the Way" Youth Drama Club presentation. FREE admission Reception follows

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Dec 11,12,19 & 20 Philadelphia Handbell Ensemble + NJ Chamber Singers
Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for locations

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