

Celebration of Worship
at the Reformed Church of Cortlandtown

May 20, 2012 – 10:00 AM

ORGAN PRELUDE

Lynn L. Peterson

"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me"
*(Please use this time to prepare your mind
and heart for worship and allow others
to do the same.)*

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT

"Come, All You People"

A. Gondo/
J.L. Bell

We Gather Together in God's Name

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of
the wicked,

People: Or take the path that sinners tread,

Leader: Or sit in the seat of scoffers;

People: But their delight is in the law of the Lord;

Leader: And on his law they meditate day and night.

People: They are like trees planted by streams of water,

Leader: Which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves
do not wither.

People: In all that they do, they prosper.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN "Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show" #481

OLD TESTAMENT READING Genesis 22:15-19 p. 18

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In Unison)

*(The prayer of confession invites us to speak words that are honest about our
own sin, words that do not often come naturally in our relationship with God
or with our fellow human beings. We can think of the prayer of confession
(and the words of assurance of pardon that follows) not as an obligation or
ritual, but as a gift of grace.)*

**Rain your mercy upon us now as we bow before you, mighty
God. Our burden is heavy because we do not live as you have
intended. Free us today, Lord, from the bondage of our sins.**

Silence

**Have patience with us, Lord, when we forget that we belong to
you. Have patience with us when we behave in ways that do
not honor you.**

Silence

**Hear our prayer of confession. Make our hearts humble and
bring our thoughts captive unto Christ. Amen.**

Time for personal reflection and silent prayer.

CHORAL RESPONSE

Bernadette Blount Salley

"O Lord, Incline Thine Ear to Us"

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: God forgives you. Forgive others; forgive yourself.
Through Christ, God has put away your sin:
approach your God in peace.

People: Our God is faithful to forgive us. Thanks be to God.

*SEASONAL HYMN

"Step by Step"
Sing 2 times

See Insert

ANTHEM

We Hear God's Word

EPISTLE READING

1 John 5:9-13

p. 241

SHARING TIME WITH CHILDREN

*HYMN

"I Love You, Lord"

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*PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

*GOSPEL READING

John 17:6-19

p. 111

MESSAGE

We Respond to God in Joy

OFFERTORY Robert W. Jones
3rd mvt. From Sonatina for Worship No. 2

*DOXOLOGY #592

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY

PRAYERS PRACTICE & LORDS PRAYER

We Depart to Serve

*HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" #339

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE "Unto Us Is Brought Salvation" Frank W. Asper



People's responses are in bold face.

*Let those who are able, please stand.

***Mission Statement of the
Reformed Church of Cortlandtown***

**As a diverse church family in a changing world, we strive to
provide spiritual nourishment and Christian fellowship.**

**We offer a safe haven for all those seeking a relationship with
God through Jesus Christ.**

**In acknowledging God's love for us, we reach out to the
community in loving service.**

**"Here is the test to find whether your mission on earth
is finished: if you're alive, it isn't." -Richard Bach**

Reformed Church of Cortlandtown

Montrose, NY

May 20, 2012

Just A Reminder... If you should have to leave worship before it has ended, please do so during an interval of music.

We ask that you use the restrooms downstairs during worship.

We **welcome** all that are worshipping with us today. If you are attending for the first time, our welcome is especially warm to you. Please sign our guest book in the vestibule.

+Special thanks to those serving today:

PastorRev. Amy Nyland
Organist Alice Avouris
Anthem Adult Choir
Children's Sermon Chris Malmgreen
Liturgist George Pritchard
Greeters/Stewards..... Cortes Family
Fellowship congregation

Sunday School Teachers

Sue Deresh

Michele Keefe

Tracey Lynch, sub

Teacher Aides: Elizabeth Magann and Carole Sinacore

Nursery care is available downstairs. The nursery is closed when the worship service is over. Joshua will meet the children in the foyer after the Sharing Time with Children.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Norman Haight in memory of Mary E. Welsch.

Church Phone Number737-6482

CONSISTORY MEMBERS

ELDERS

Tracey Lynch, VP
Chris Malmgreen
Merlene Rinzivillo
Susan Turner

DEACONS

Harmen Bakker
Sally Kingston, clerk
Rick Mayer
George Pritchard

Please contact any of the members if you have a need or concern.

Just a reminder, that altar flowers are \$30.00 and the check should be made out to the Reformed Church of Cortlandtown (RCC), marked 'flowers' and placed in the offering plate.

Please visit our website at reformedchurchcortlandtown.org for more information.

CHURCH LIFE THIS WEEK

TODAY	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	10:20 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:15 a.m.	Fellowship
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Group
WEDNESDAY	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
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	11:15 a.m.	Fellowship

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 20th – 5:00 p.m. Youth Group

Sunday, May 27th – NEWSLETTER ARTICLES DUE

Wednesday, May 30 – 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday, May 23rd, 30th, - 7:00 p.m. The Island Group (formerly the Cortlandtown Group)

Friday, May 25th – Dual Diagnosis Group

Thursday, May 31st - 7:00 p.m. Fund Raising Meeting