

***Celebration of Worship
at the Reformed Church of Cortlandtown***

June 2, 2019 — 10:00 A.M.

RINGING OF THE BELL

PRELUDE

GREETING

We Gather Together in God's Name

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Clap your hands, all you peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy.

People: For the Lord, the Most High, is awesome, a great king over all the earth.

Leader: He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet.

People: He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves. (Selah)

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

People: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Leader: For God is the king of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm.

People: God is king over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.

All: The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham. For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted.

***OPENING PRAYER**

***HYMN** "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" #482

CALL TO CONFESSION

God has invited us to life and yet we have chosen death. Let us confess the state of our lives to our God and before one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, prone to evil and slow to do

good; and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned: in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But, O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins; for the sake of your dear Son.

And, O most holy and loving God, help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

(A time for personal reflection)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Psalm 103:8, 10-12

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 he removes our transgressions from us.

We Hear God's Word

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

(Sung) Tune: Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;

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EPISTLE READING

Acts: 1:1-11

NT, pg. 118

ANTHEM

"Jesus, Feed Us"

Gord Johnson

GOSPEL READING

Luke 24:44-53

NT, pg. 91

MESSAGE

Let's Go Higher!

A MOMENT OF REFLECTION

We Respond to God in Joy

PROFESSION OF FAITH (In Unison)

Hymnal, pg. 14

Led by communicants

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY**

#592

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY

We Celebrate the Lord's Supper

INVITATION

See Insert

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN: "I Am the Bread of Life"

See Insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD'S PRAYER

We Depart to Serve

***HYMN "We Are Marching in the Light of God"**

See Insert

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**



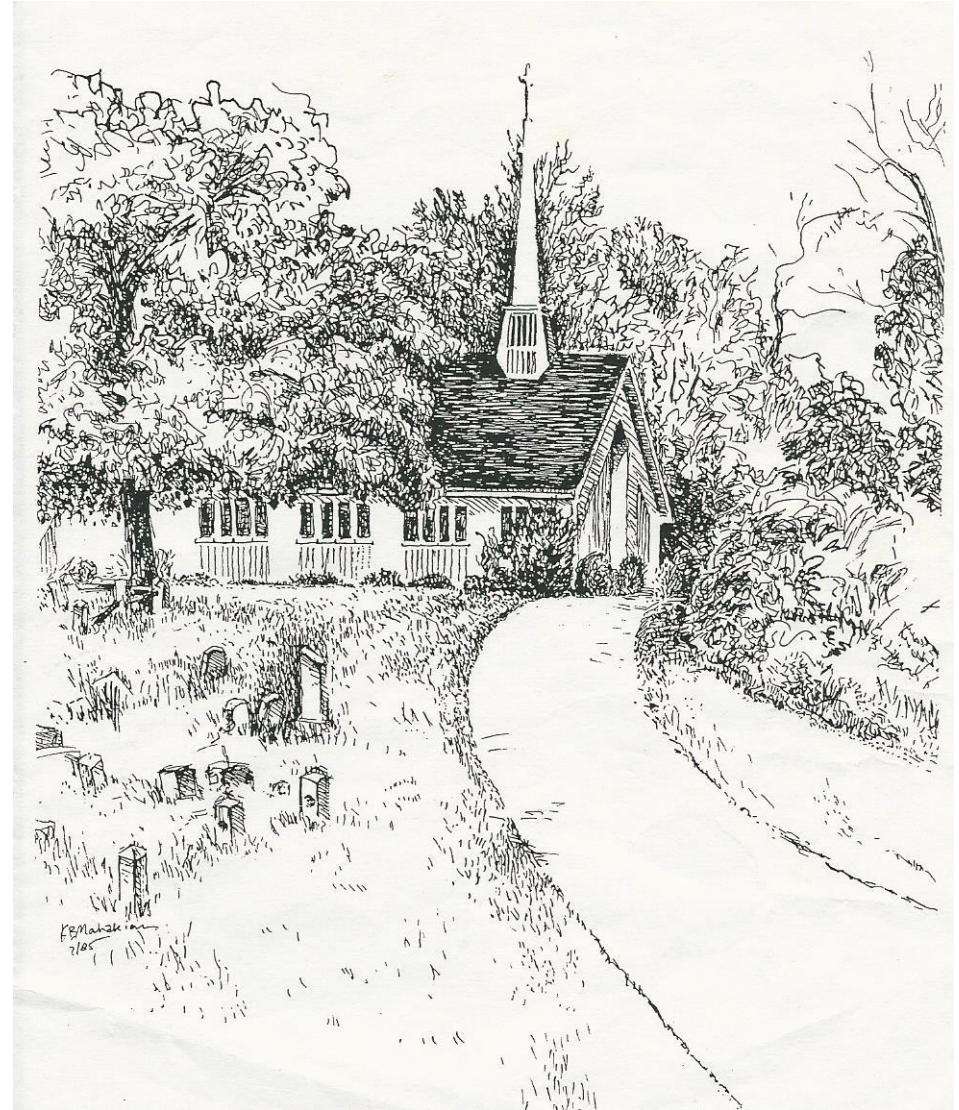
(*Indicates that those who are able may stand.)

Thanks to Those Serving Today

Pastor.....Rev. Dr. Mashona Walston Davis
 Music Director Rick Romano
 Anthem Adult Choir
 LiturgistJohn Torres, Sean Daugherty
 Greeters/Stewards..... Taylor DeResh, Jill Davis
 Joaquin Candia, Jan Dyckman
 Nursery Rachel Keefe, Elaine Sinacore
 Fellowship Carol Ann Scarnati, Nancy Brown

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Carol Ann Scarnati in celebration of her 29 years at the church.

"No act of kindness is too small. The gift of kindness may start as a small ripple that over time can turn into a tidal wave affecting the lives of many."



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