

ORDER OF SERVICE

Reformation Sunday

October 27th, 2024

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Announcements & Affirmation of Community

Minute for Mission

Joys and Concerns

Prelude “Zurich Sea”
 by Adrian Carr from the album *Release*.

Silent Reflection Time

Choral Introit “Shall We Gather At The River”
 Music by Robert Lowry

Call to Worship

I will bless the Lord at all times,
God's praise will continually be in my mouth.
My soul makes its boast in the Lord,
Let the humble hear and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me,
Let us exalt God's name together!

***Hymn** “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” #275

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we have not been humble. We have discouraged others from seeking you. We have not sought your wisdom. Forgive us, O God, and teach us to boast only of you. Help us to celebrate when others seek after you. Give us the light of your wisdom and ways, through Christ our Lord. Amen. (**Silent Prayer**)

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri** #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.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

First Reading **Psalm 46** pg. 517-518

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem “The Gift of Love”
 Music by Hal H. Hopson

Second Reading **1 Peter 2:1-17** pg. 233

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon “Reformed & Always Reforming” Rev. David Bennett

Silent Reflection Time

***Hymn** “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less” #353

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

Offertory Invitation

Offertory “God of the Sparrow”
 Text by Jaroslav Vajda, Music by Carl Schalk

***Doxology** #606

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 Thanksgiving/Dedication**

God, the creator of the universe, we offer you these gifts for the glory of your kingdom, in the name of God, Father and Mother, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response

“Alleluia”

Music from Fintan O’Carroll
& Christopher Walker

***Hymn**

“To God Be the Glory”

#634

***Benediction**

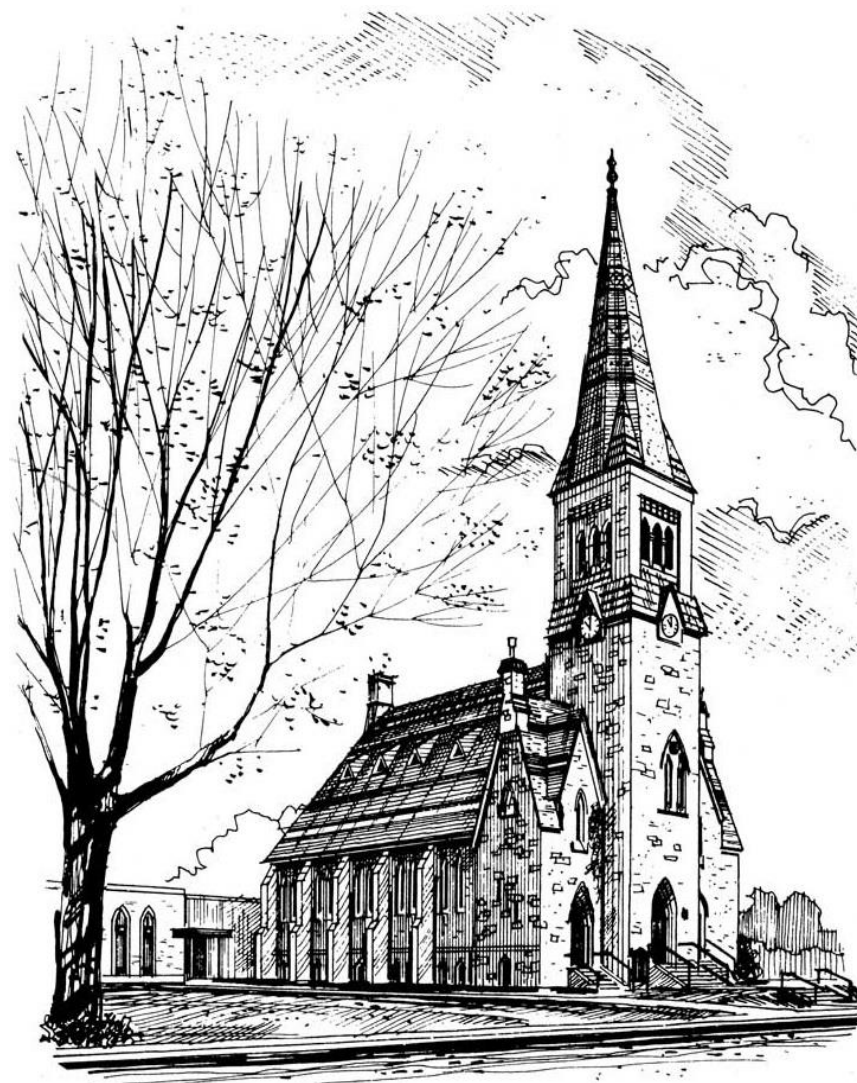
***Benediction Response**

“Farewell, Good Friends!”

Traditional Hebraic Blessing

Postlude

All are asked to remain seated for the postlude.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

PASTOR: Rev. Dr. Timothy J. Luoma

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Dr. Adrian Carr

CLERK OF SESSION: Judy Bunnell

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Sadie Prinsen

SEXTON: Sally Ann Blow

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Happy Birthday!

Nancy Odnoha	10/27	Pamela Deeb	10/29
Kerry Haley	10/30	James Ashe	10/30
Andrew Baker	10/30	Kenneth Hausrath	10/30
Jonathan Mullholland	10/30	Gil Duken	11/1
Paul Laughlin	11//3	TJ McKinnon	11/4
Linda Gonyo	11/4	Malcolm Fairweather	11/5
Bill Haley	11/7	Linda Collins	11/9
Amanda Smart	11/13	Cynthia DuBrey	11/19

Building and Grounds Volunteer Opportunities

The Committee welcomes all personnel to help with the following activities which maintain and enhance the buildings and grounds of the church. The volunteers get much satisfaction seeing the improvements and building fellowship with each other.

Raking and disposal of leaves on the east lawn adjacent to Marion Street. - Weekly (at your convenience) - Thru the end of November.

Replacement of stained or damaged suspended ceiling tiles in the Booth (~26 tiles) and Education (~24 tiles) Buildings. Need some of the volunteers comfortable with working off a stepladder.

- Booth Building on Saturday, November 2nd from 9am to noon.
- Education Building on Monday, November 4th from 1pm to 4pm.
- Replace any remaining tiles from either building on Wednesday, November 6th from 5pm - 7pm.

Patch, Prime, Painting the walls and heaters of the restrooms near Fellowship Hall along with Fellowship Hallway. - First quarter of 2025. - dates to be determined. Please contact Bill Merrill for any questions.

Mixed Harmony A Capella Chorus Annual Show

A little bit Country, a little bit Rock 'n' Roll! The Cumberland Bay Barbershoppers and Catalyst Quartet are going to be holding their annual concert on November 9th at 3pm at Plattsburgh United Methodist Church at 127 Beekman Street. Admission is \$10 and tickets are available through any of the members of the Barbershoppers, or by calling or texting Chris (518-734-7322) or Mike (518-578-5555).

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*Worship Christ
Teach Faith
Practice Love*

The toddler room and crib room are available for parent use with your very young children. Please ask an usher for directions.

If you are visiting, please feel welcome to come to Fellowship Hall, following the service.

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PRAYER FAMILIES FOR THE WEEK of October 27th, 2024

David & Carol Carpenter
Adrian Carr & Dana Jeweler
Kwangseek & Jean Choe
John & Diane Cohen

PRAYER CONCERNS

Matt Burgin and family
Barbara Thompson
Judy Judge
Family of Angela Smith
Peg and Jack Myers
John Mazur
Kathe Fairweather

This Sunday we thank:

WORSHIP LEADER: Rob Meisenheimer
USHERS: Julie Brunell & Anne Bailey
FELLOWSHIP: Sally & Rob Meisenheimer
ZOOM COORDINATOR: Carl Payne

Worship Leaders

Nov 3-Judy Bunnell
Nov 10- Jim Snook

Ushers

Nov 3-
Nov 10-

Fellowship Time

Nov 3- The Duleys
Nov 10-Jennie & Alan Booth

Zoom Coordinators

Nov 3- Jim Snook
Nov 10- Jennie Booth

Winter Outerwear Giveaway

We are still accepting donations of any gently used coats, hats, gloves, boots, or any other cold weather gear for the E-Team’s annual Winter Outerwear Giveaway. Please bring them to Room 4 in the church. If you need assistance with transporting donations, please reach out to Terri Mahoney at 518-593-1431 or another member of the E-team to arrange pick up options. The Outerwear Giveaway will be on November 9th from 9am- 11am in Fellowship Hall.

Guest Preacher

We would like to thank Rev. David Bennett for covering as our guest preacher for today’s worship service. Please join us in welcoming him!

The office will be closed on October 31st and resume normal business hours on November 4th.

Pastor Tim will be on retreat from Tuesday, October 22 to Wednesday, October 30th. There will be no Bible Study on the 22nd or 29th.

The Buildings & Grounds meeting that was previously scheduled for November 12th at 6pm has been moved to November 14th.

Sunday, Oct 27:	9:00 am	Adult Church School
	9:00 am	Choir Rehearsal
	10:00 am	Worship Service
Tuesday, Oct 29:	Noon	AA Meeting
Wednesday, Oct 30:	1:30pm	Parkinsons Support Group
	7:00pm	Plattsburgh Table Tennis
Thursday, Oct 31:	Noon	AA Meeting
	6:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
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E-Team announcing a book group:

“Living the Questions: The Wisdom of Progressive Christianity” by David M. Felten and Jeff Proctor-Murphy. E-Team members Terri Mahoney, Donna Hanrahan and Julie Brunell are planning a weekly, 1 ½-hour session that runs for about 5-6 weeks. They have decided to push the start date back to mid-winter. Participants would read about 40 pages per week. Envisioned is that the group would meet and engage in an open, sharing conversation around the chapters and reader’s guide questions- those that resonate and don’t resonate in their faith/practices. Please respond to Julie Brunell (juliemariebrunell@gmail.com) if you are interested in participating, if you need a book, and if you have a preference for the day/times of the book discussions?

Do you know someone who sings?

We can all appreciate the gift of music! However, to keep that gift alive in our worship service, our choir needs some new members. Here are 3 things that you might not know: Firstly, choir members do not need to be a member of our church. Secondly, you don't need any kind of training or be a career musician to be a member of the choir. (Although, you'll learn a lot and improve your musical abilities as you sing in the choir). Thirdly, you don't need to come every week. Join in when you can. And remember, singing in a choir is great training for up and coming musicians! (I know, even as a composer/pianist at Juilliard, I was required to sing in the Choir!) So if you know somebody who sings and wants to use their talent, let me know and let's grow our Choir!

-Adrian Carr, Music Director

Bob Svenson’s Retirement

Bob Svenson’s last service as Pastor of the Chazy Presbyterian Church is going to be on November 3rd, 2024. They will be having a going away party after church at 11am that day after worship with a luncheon. If you are interested in attending, please let Betsy Brooks at the Chazy Church know.