



A mosaic of the wedding at Cana | artist unknown

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 8, 2026

10:00 AM

Words of Welcome

“It is the mission of the Community Reformed Church of Colonie to love the Lord our God with all our hearts, with all our souls and with all of our minds; and to love our neighbors as ourselves.” (Matthew 22:37-40)

We are a community bound together and energized by faith, love, and commitment to Jesus Christ. And even though you may not yet share that faith, love, and commitment, you are most welcome to be with us, to belong here, to experience what we’re about. Then, if you are attracted and persuaded by what you see and hear, we hope you’ll want to set down roots here long-term. And even if you don’t, you’ll always be a friend.

The Community Reformed Church of Colonie welcomes you and thanks you for worshiping with us.

Please join in the worship liturgy by reading aloud what is in ***bold italics***.

* - Please rise in body or in spirit

For Contemplation

Here’s an epiphany to have and hold,
A truth that you can taste upon the tongue,
No distant shrines and canopies of gold
Or ladders to be clambered rung by rung,
But here and now, amidst your daily living,
Where you can taste and touch and feel and see,
The spring of love, the fount of all forgiving,
Flows when you need it, rich, abundant, free.

Better than waters of some outer weeping,
That leave you still with all your hidden sin,
Here is a vintage richer for the keeping
That works its transformation from within.
‘What price?’ you ask me, as we raise the glass,
‘It cost our Saviour everything he has.’

Epiphany at Cana by Malcolm Guite

PRELUDE “We Are Climbing Jacob’s Ladder”

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

THE ELDER’S PRAYER – Karl

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

INTROIT “This Little Light of Mine”

CALL TO WORSHIP Based on Origen of Alexandria & John 2:1-11

Come, people of God, to the well of God’s presence.

We come to drink deeply, not just to glance and pass by.

At a wedding in Cana, many saw water drawn and poured.

But those who stayed and obeyed saw glory revealed.

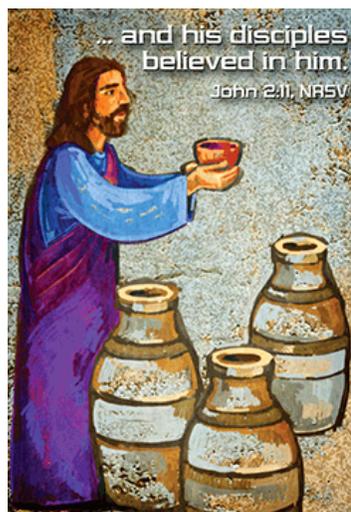
Christ invites us to persevere in faith.

To dwell, to listen, and to trust his word.

Here, ordinary vessels are filled again and again.

And patient obedience becomes overflowing joy.

Let us worship the One who is God’s glory revealed!



* **OPENING SONG** "Guide My Feet"

1 Guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

Detailed description: This system contains the first two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The key signature has three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics '1 Guide my feet while I run this race;' are written below the top staff. The phrase '(yes, my Lord!)' is written below the bottom staff.

guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

Detailed description: This system contains the next two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The lyrics 'guide my feet while I run this race;' are written below the top staff. The phrase '(yes, my Lord!)' is written below the bottom staff.

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

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don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

Detailed description: This system contains the final two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. The lyrics 'don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)' are written below the top staff.

- 2 Hold my hand ...
- 3 Stand by me ...
- 4 I'm your child ...

- 5 Search my heart ...
- 6 Guide my feet ...

PROFESSION OF FAITH *The Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 28*

Q: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing in creation will separate us from his love. For all creatures are so completely in God's hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

EPIPHANY PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION "Send Out Your Light" (3 times)



Send out your light, Lord, send your truth to be my guide.



Then let them lead me to the place where you re - side.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God, we long to do what you ask of us, but we must confess our exhaustion. We keep pouring out effort, serving, obeying, waiting, and it makes us wonder and doubt if you'll show up. Remind us that you are a God of quiet miracles. Meet us in our fatigue and turn the ordinary work of our hands into joy and glory. Amen.

TAIZÉ MEDITATION "Jesus, Remember Me" (3 times)

***Jesus, remember me
when you come into your Kingdom.
Jesus, remember me
when you come into your Kingdom.***

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

“Beannacht/Blessing” by John O’Donohue (a “currach” is a canvas boat)

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE – Sarah

DEACON’S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD - Marv

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

ANTHEM “Deep River”

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Christ, by your Spirit, reveal your glory, the radiance of the Father. Like water turned to wine, transform our obedience into a miracle we cannot yet see. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee. Jesus’ mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. When the wine ran out, Jesus’ mother said to him, “They don’t have any wine.”

Jesus replied, “Woman, what does that have to do with me? My time hasn’t come yet.”

His mother told the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” Nearby were six stone water jars used for the Jewish cleansing ritual, each able to hold about twenty or thirty gallons.

Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water,” and they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, “Now draw some from them and take it to the headwaiter,” and they did. The headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine. He didn’t know where it came from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew.

The headwaiter called the groom and said, “Everyone serves the good wine first. They bring out the second-rate wine only when the guests are drinking freely. You kept the good wine until now.” This was the first miraculous sign that Jesus did in Cana of Galilee. He revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

This is the Gospel of The Lord. ***Praise to you, O Christ!***

SERMON Do whatever he tells you. Fill the jars.

*** SONG OF RESPONSE** “There’ll Be Sunshine in the Morning”



There'll be sun - shine in the morn - in',
 Free - dom will come to all my bro - thers,
 Jus - tice will flow like a might - y riv - er,
 Peace shall come to ev - 'ry na - tion,
 There'll be sun - shine in the morn - in',



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sun - shine in the morn - in', one of these days.____
 free - dom to all God's child - ren, one of these days.____
 jus - tice like a riv - er, one of these days.____
 peace to ev - 'ry na - tion, one of these days.____
 sun - shine in the morn - in', one of these days.____

*** CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

*** THE IRISH BLESSING**

*May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be ever at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
And the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again, and until we meet again,
May the God who loves us all
Hold you in the palm of His hand.
Amen.*

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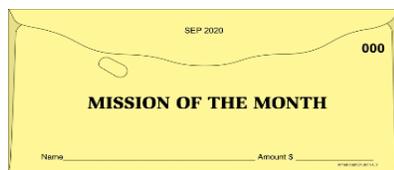
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A wheelchair is located in the entranceway of the church.



A sign-up sheet for CD copies of this morning's service is located on the back table.



Large print bulletins are available on request.



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