A Service of Witness to the Resurrection

Karen Ann Reynolds

January 13, 1950 - January 9, 2026

The Community Reformed Church of Colonie
January 19, 2026 | 9:30 AM

Please join in the worship liturgy by reading aloud what is in ***bold italics.***
* = Please rise in body or in spirit

For Contemplation

"I'm convinced that nothing can separate us from God's love in Christ Jesus our Lord—not death nor life…" Romans 8:38a (CEB)

PRELUDE

VOTUM | Psalm 124:8

Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES | John 11: 25-26 & Romans 14: 7-8

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, though they die, yet shall they live. And those who live and believe in me shall never die."

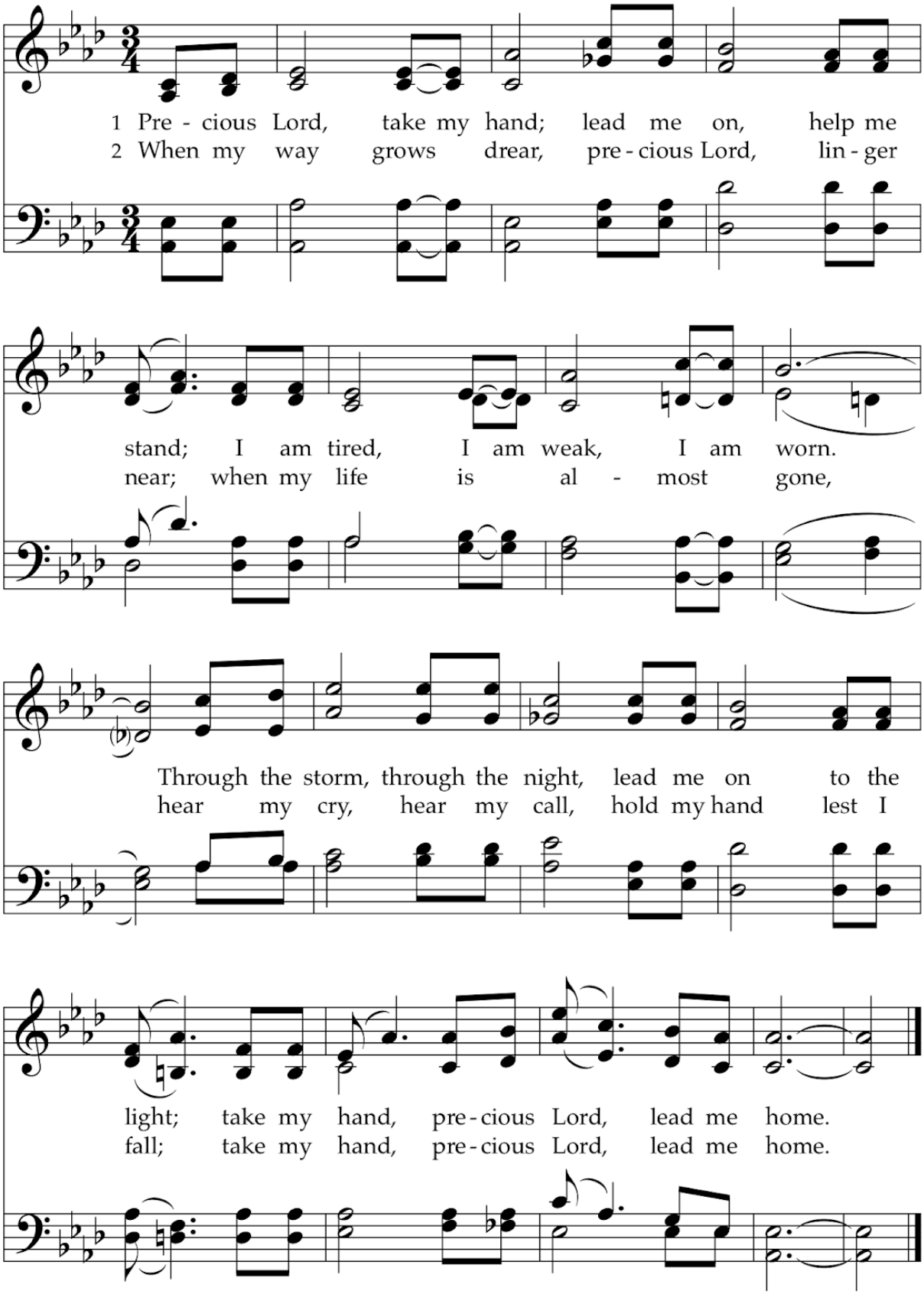
We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE & GREETING | II Peter 1:2

May grace and peace be yours in abundance in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

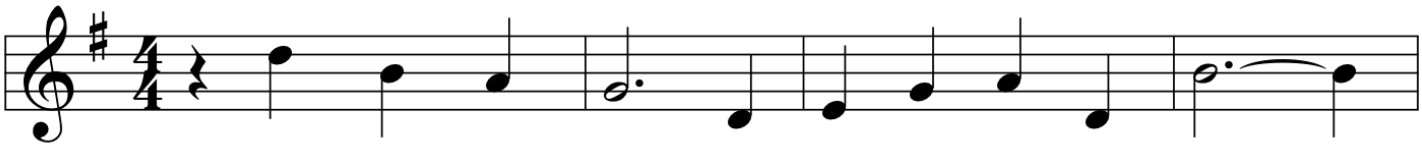
THE LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES Corinna, Harper, Stella & Mason Reynolds

*** HYMN** "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

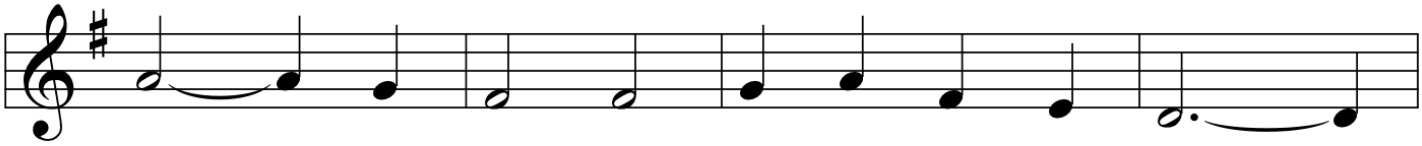


BAPTISMAL REMEMBRANCE Scott & Todd Reynolds

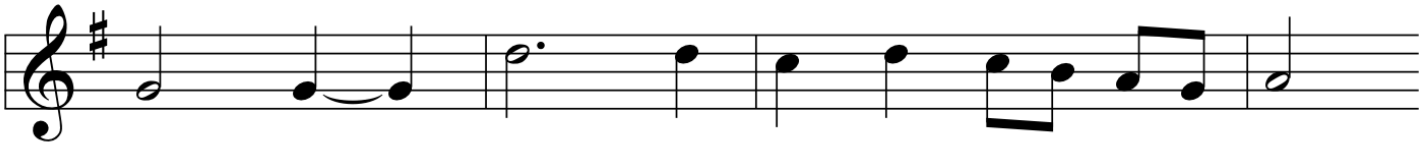
* **HYMN** "For All The Saints" (verses 1-3)



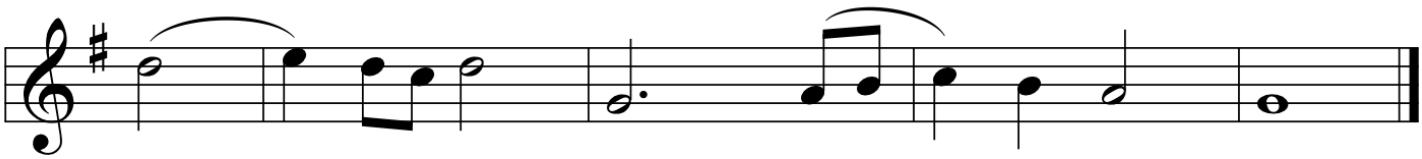
1 For all the saints who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might;
3 O blest com - mu - nion, fel - low - ship di - vine!
4 And when the strife is fierce, the war - fare long,
5 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



thee by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their cap - tain in the well - fought fight;
We fee - bly strug - gle; they in glo - ry shine; yet
steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host,



name, O Je - sus, be for - ev - er blest.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light.
all are one in thee, for all are thine.
hearts are brave a - gain, and arms are strong.
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION Corinna Reynolds

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.

PSALTER READING Psalm 46 | Todd Reynolds

EPISTLE READING 1 Peter 1:3-5; 8-9 | Stella Reynolds

TAIZÉ MEDITATION "In God Alone"

In God alone my soul can find rest and peace; In God my peace and joy. Only in God my soul can find its rest; Find its rest and peace.

GOSPEL READING John 14:1-6; 6:40 | Scott Reynolds

PSALM 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff — they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

REMEMBRANCE

TAIZÉ MEDITATION "I Belong to You, O God"

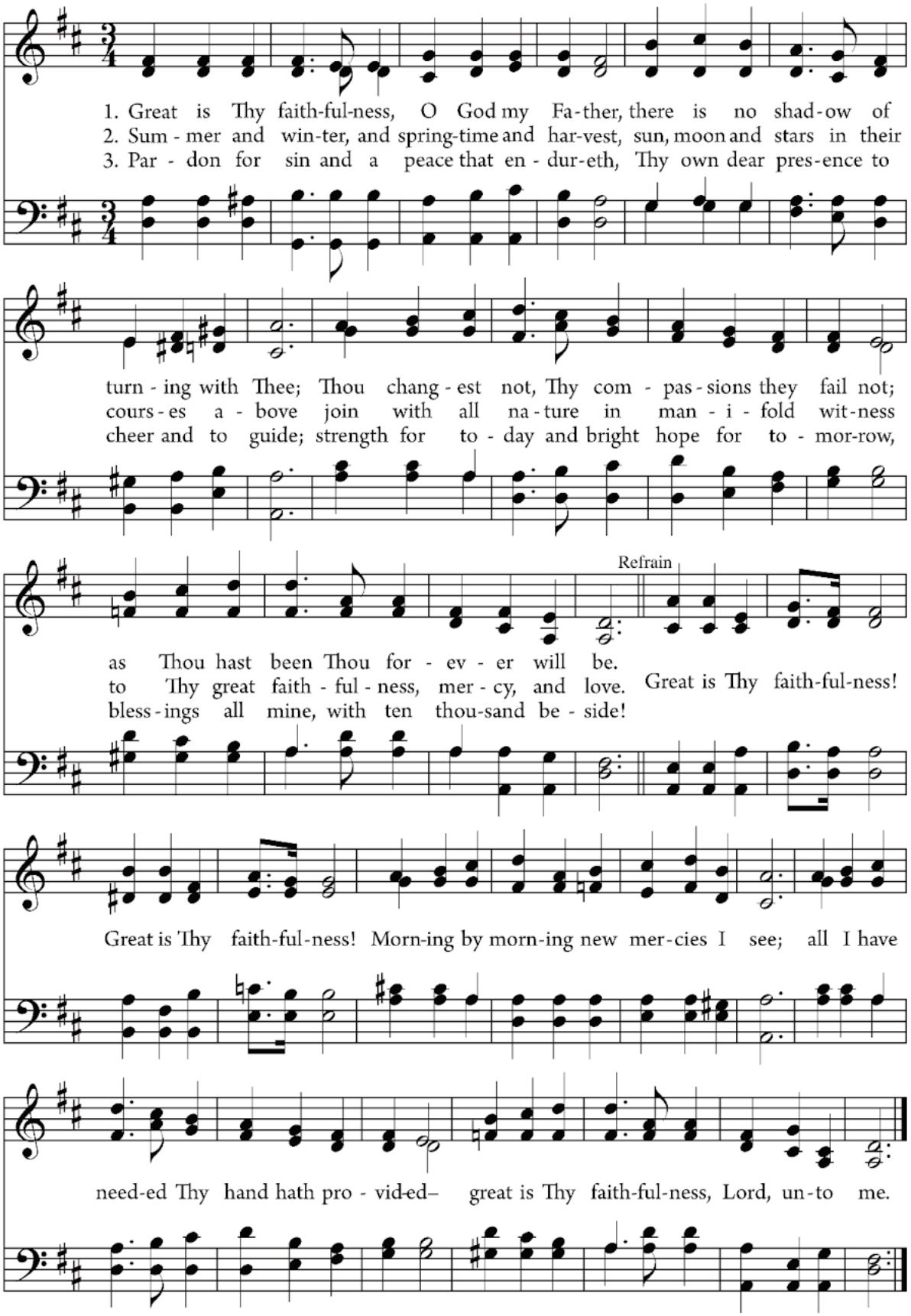
I belong to you, O God, I belong to you.
I belong to you, O God, I belong to you.

SCRIPTURE LESSON Hebrews 10:36-11:1; 12:1-3

This is the Word of the Lord. ***Thanks be to God!***

SERMON The Power of Faith | Rev. Trey Tirpak

*** HYMN** "Great is Thy Faithfulness"



*** PRAYER OF COMMENDATION**

Into your hands, O merciful Savior,
we commend your servant, Karen.
Acknowledge, we pray,
a sheep of your own fold,
a lamb of your own flock,
a sinner of your own redeeming.
Receive Karen into the arms of your mercy,
into the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and into the glorious company of the saints in light.

*** 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.

*** RECESSIONAL** **please remain standing while the family recesses**

*** POSTLUDE** "Hymn of Promise"

All are invited to remain for fellowship and refreshments in the sanctuary.
All are also welcome to the 11 AM Committal Service at Memory Gardens.
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The Irish Blessing
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Karen A. Reynolds
January 13, 1950 — January 9, 2026

Karen Reynolds, 75, of Colonie, NY, passed away in her home on January 9th, 2026. She was a cherished sister, mother, grandmother, friend, and a faithful member of her church. She will be deeply missed in those quiet moments where her steady presence provided a sense of solidity, comfort, and light.

Born January 13th, 1950, to Clifford and Mildred Lampman, Karen lived her life in the town she called home. She spent much of her career and personal life in support of others and her community. Whether it was looking after the neighborhood children, working with special education students in Colonie schools, quilting for charity with her church group, or caring for her sister, Donna Lampman, through illness and passing, she did so with quiet resilience and understated strength.

Karen leaves behind her sons Scott and Todd Reynolds who she raised with the same steadfast resolve, always putting family first.

With few exceptions you could find Karen with her community at church on Sunday morning and at the bowling alley on Wednesday evening. She loved reading and traveling, especially on cruises with her close neighbors, who are like family to her.

She adored her grandchildren, Corinna and Stella Reynolds, and Mason and Harper Reynolds, and was a loving mother-in-law to Anna Reynolds.