



***The Road to Emmaus* by Jorge Cocco Santángelo**

## **WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**

**October 5, 2025  
Worship – 10:00 AM**

**Sanctuary Worship**

Please join in the worship liturgy by reading the sections in ***bold italics***.  
\* - Please rise in body or in spirit

### ***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 worshipping with us.

**Today we are celebrating Communion.**

In the celebration of Communion, all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior are invited to the Table. Please hold the elements until all have received them that we may commune together.

That all may celebrate fully and safely, we use gluten free bread. All communion cups contain grape juice.

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**For Contemplation**

“Why are your hearts so sluggish when it comes to believing what the prophets have been saying all along?”

Luke 24:25b THE VOICE translation

**PRELUDE** “For the Beauty of the Earth”

**THE COMMUNITY GATHERS**

**THE ELDER’S PRAYER** – Melody York

**LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**

**INTROIT** “Make Me a Servant”

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come! For Christ walks beside us on the road, opening the Scriptures, breaking the bread, making himself known.

***Our hearts burn within us as we hear his Word. Our eyes are opened as we share at his table.***

Come! Join billions of Christians across the world and time in professing the faith and bearing witness to Jesus Christ: “God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God.”

***For there is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one table, one Spirit, one body of Christ.***

Come! Let us worship the Living God who still walks with us, who still feeds us, who still tells us the true stories of the world, who still makes us one in love.

\* HYMN “All Who Hunger”



All who hun-ger, gath-er\_\_ glad - ly;\_\_ ho - ly\_\_ man-na is our bread.  
All who hun-ger, nev - er\_\_ strang-ers;\_\_ seek - er,\_\_ be a wel-come guest.  
All who hun-ger, sing to - geth - er;\_\_ Je - sus\_Christ is liv - ing bread.



Come from wil - der - ness and\_ wan - d'ring. Here, in\_\_ truth, we will be fed.  
Come from rest - less - ness and\_ roam - ing.\_ Here, in\_\_ joy, we keep the feast.  
Come from lone - li - ness and\_ long - ing.\_ Here, in\_\_ peace, we have been led.



You that yearn for days of\_\_ full - ness, all a - round us is our\_\_ food.  
We that once were lost and\_ scat - tered in com - mu - nion's love have stood.  
Blest are those who from this\_\_ ta - ble live their lives in grat - i - tude.



Taste and\_ see the grace e - ter - nal.\_ Taste and\_ see that God is good!

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - *The Nicene Creed* (325 AD)

On this World Communion Sunday, we will confess the most ancient of Christian creeds, *The Nicene Creed*. We join with our siblings in Christ around the world to mark the 1700th anniversary of the creed, celebrating the gift of Christian unity and recommitting ourselves to the work of love and unity for which Christ prayed: "I ask [you Father]...that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me."

As a gesture of unity, we will be confessing the original version of the creed, saying:

***We believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.***

***And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
begotten from the Father before all ages,  
God from God,  
Light from Light,  
True God from true God,  
begotten, not made;  
of the same essence as the Father.  
Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven;  
he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin  
Mary,  
and was made human.  
He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried.  
The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures.  
He ascended to heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again with glory  
to judge the living and the dead.  
His kingdom will never end.***

*And we believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life.  
He proceeds from the Father,\*  
and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and  
glorified.  
He spoke through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.  
We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look forward to the resurrection of the dead,  
and to life in the world to come. Amen.*

**SUNG REFRAIN** “We Are One Body” (3 times - refrain only)

*We are one body, one body in Christ;  
and we do not stand alone.  
We are one body, one body in Christ;  
and he came that we might have life.*

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*God who journeys with us, it's sometimes hard to believe that you  
actually accompany us, and so, like those disciples on the Road to  
Emmaus, we are slow to believe your story of resurrection can  
become our story, too.*

*So in the breaking of the bread today, break through our fear and  
hesitation— whatever is holding us back from truly believing your  
stories are also our stories.*

**TAIZE RESPONSE** “Shepherd Me, O God” (3 times)

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,  
beyond my fears, from death into life.*

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**SUMMARY OF GOD'S LAW**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE – Pastor Trey**

**DEACON'S PRAYER FOR THE WORLD – Kevin Ingalls**

**ANTHEM “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

*Risen Lord, as we listen to your Word, awaken our faith, and let us see you clearly in the stories and bread before us. In your name we pray; Amen.*

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS Luke 24:13-35**

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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

THE MORNING MESSAGE – "What Things?" Stories of the table"

## CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### THE CALL TO COMMUNION

We have one Lord, one God, one Savior.  
*The Holy Spirit makes Christ real to us,  
binding us in one, as we share him together.*

This is something we do eagerly.  
*Christ welcomes us here.*

This is something we do seriously.  
*For this is the moment of greatest intimacy when we take  
the symbols of the body and blood of the risen Lord.*

This is something we do together.  
*I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go into the presence  
of the Lord".*

## \*PEACE

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts since as members of one body you were called to peace (Colossians 3:15).

The peace of Christ be with you.

*And also with you.*

## \*OUR PRAISE TO GOD (THE DOXOLOGY)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God above ye heavenly host:*

*Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Lift up your hearts.

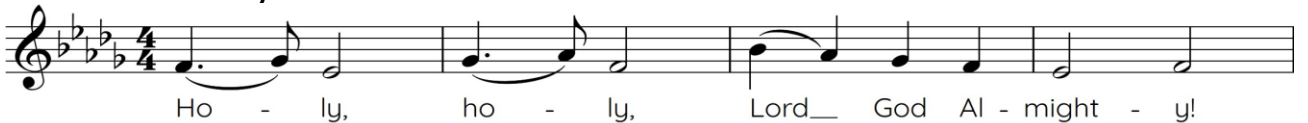
*We lift them to the Lord.*

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*It is right to give God thanks and praise.*

## \*THE PREFACE

### \*HYMN "Holy Lord"



## THE MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT

Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, the holy supper we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, communion and hope. We remember with gratitude all that God has done for us, is now doing, and will do in all the days that are before us.

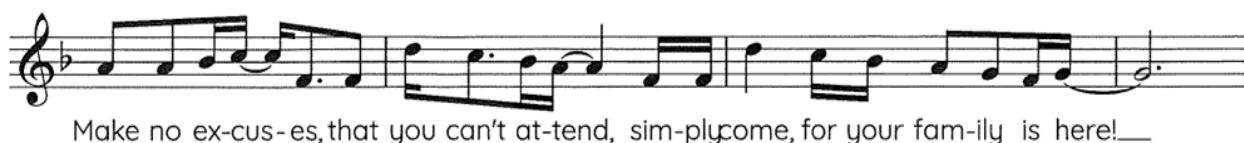
***We come to remember that our Lord Jesus was sent of the Father to take on our flesh and blood and to fulfill for us all obedience to the divine law, even to the bitter and shameful death on the cross. By his death, resurrection and ascension he established a new and eternal covenant of grace that assures us of our salvation.***

We also come to have communion with our Lord who has promised to be with always, even to the end of the world. In the breaking of the bread, Christ makes himself known as the true heavenly bread that strengthens us to eternal life. And in the cup of blessing he comes to us as the Vine in whom we must abide if we are to bear fruit.

***And we come in hope, believing that this bread and cup are a pledge and foretaste of the feast of love of which we shall partake when Christ's kingdom has fully come, when we shall clearly behold him and be made fully like him in his glory.***

Since by his death, resurrection, and ascension Christ has obtained for us the life-giving Spirit who unites us all in one body, so we are to receive this supper in true love, mindful of the communion of the saints.

## INVITATION TO THE TABLE



*For around this table, you will find your family.*

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Come not be-cause you have to,\_\_\_\_ come not to prove you are saved,  
come not to speak, or to hear what's ex - spect - ed, have  
cour - age to fol - low wher - ev - er Christ leads!

*And be open to the ways the Spirit moves among you.*

Come to the feast\_\_\_\_ of the reign\_\_\_\_ of God;\_\_\_\_  
we are in - vit - ed to share!\_\_\_\_ Bring all your sor - rows and  
all of your\_ joy; the bro - ken are all\_\_\_\_ wel-come here!\_\_\_\_

*For this is the feast of the reign of God, where the  
broken are molded into a Beloved Community.*

Come, for the ta - ble is read-y!\_\_\_\_ Come, for the ta - ble is read-y!\_\_\_\_  
Come for the ta - ble is read-y to of - fer new life!\_\_\_\_\_


## COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious God, we celebrate with joy the redemption secured for us in Jesus Christ. Grant that in praise and thanksgiving we may be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable in your sight, that our lives may proclaim the mystery of the faith:



Christ has died! Christ is ris - en! Christ will come a - gain!

## "GLORY BE TO ALMIGHTY GOD"




Glo - ry be to Al might - y God, and glo - ry be\_\_ to the Son,\_\_\_



Glo - ry be to the Spir - it,\_\_\_ e - ter - nal three in one!\_\_\_ We



praise your name, we bless your name, we glo - ri - fy your name!



Hope\_ with - out end, love\_ with - out end World with - out



end, oh Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - - est!

## COMMUNION



## THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

***Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits.***

God forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases.

***God redeems your life and crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.***

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

***The Lord does not always accuse, and does not hold anger forever.***

The Lord does not deal with us according to our sins nor repay us according to our iniquities.

***As the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love toward those who revere the Lord.***

As far as the East is from the West, so far does God remove our transgressions from us.

***As a parent has compassion for their children, so the Lord has compassion for all who revere the Lord.***

For God knows how we are made and remembers that we are but dust.

***Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.***

**\*HYMN "The Lord's Prayer"**

## \*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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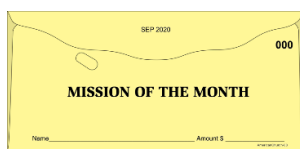
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