

NOVEMBER 27TH -DECEMBER 24TH



Advent is the season of reflective preparation for the Nativity of Christ at Christmas and the expected return of Christ in the Second Coming. It is observed on the four Sundays before Christmas.

The Advent season marks the beginning of the church year. It begins the 4th Sunday before Christmas and culminates in the celebration of the birth of Christ. The celebration of Advent is not a biblical mandate, nor does it have a Scriptural precedent, yet it has a rich tradition in the Christian Church as a season of reflection upon the life, death, resurrection, and future return of our Lord Jesus. This season, like all others, has worship of God as its purpose.

Keep Awake, Prepare the Way, Wait Patiently, Save Me

The Advent season is filled with meaningful symbolism. We celebrate each week by the lighting of the Advent wreath.

For each of the four weeks there will be four corresponding candles on the wreath. Three of the candles are purple; and one of the candles is rose-colored. Each candle represents a biblical theme.

This Advent season we will follow the themes of keep awake, prepare the way, wait patiently, save me. In the center of the wreath will be a fifth candle, the Christ candle, which we will light on Christmas Eve to celebrate the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Light of the World.

"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

Isaiah 7:14

CHRISTMAS CARDS



Starting Sunday November 27th there will be a box on the table at the back of the sanctuary for you to file your Christmas cards in for each other. Save stamps!

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## CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

If you would like to order a poinsettia to decorate the altar and then take home on Christmas Eve or donate for someone who is sick or housebound, order through Ann Veeder by Dec 11<sup>th</sup>. The cost for the plants is \$10 each. To have the plant dedicated in memory of a friend or loved one, please provide that information to Ann. If you miss seeing Ann on a Sunday, she can be reached at 845-546-3286

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**ARLINGTON
HOLIDAY
festival**

shopping village, eggnog crawl,
music, parade, many family
activities!!!

3rd December 11am-6pm

Arlington Reformed Church will be selling gift
baskets at the shopping village, participating
in the eggnog crawl and parade



ARLINGTON REFORMED CHURCH
ANNUAL

HOLIDAY FELLOWSHIP MEAL

4TH DEC 2022

TIME: 12PM FOLLOWING SERVICE

We celebrate together with our church, families,
friends and those who want to join us for our annual
end of the year fellowship meal.

Games! Surprises! Good Food!


RSVP by sign up or call 845-454-2704

Arlington Reformed Church

22 Raymond Avenue

Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

arlingtonreformedchurch.org



Christmas Eve

Candlelight Service

ARLINGTON REFORMED CHURCH

7:00 PM

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TYPICAL WEEKLY CHURCH SCHEDULE

Sunday

Preservice

10:30am Coffee and Light Snacks Before Service
10:50am Preservice Music for Reflection & Prayer

Worship Service

11:00am Sermon, Singing, Prayers (Lord's Supper 1st Sunday)
Arlingtonville Children's Ministries
Arlington First Steps-Infant-Aged 5
Arlington Kids-Ages 5-11

Linger Longer

12:00pm Snacks or Meal Fellowship

Tuesday

6:00pm 2nd Tuesday of the month consistory meeting
4th Tuesday of month consistory training

Wednesday

5:30-7pm Salt of the Earth/MC/ARC Sermon and Supper

Thursday

6:00pm Worship Team Practice

TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAM

Music: Jerry Canaday, Ian Canaday
Sandra Cox, Lexi Johnson
Reader: Ann Veeder
Advent Reader: Ruth Zoodsma
Greeters: Stephanie Kinney, Matt Sahawneh,
Bernie Cioffoletti
Fellowship Team: Sahawneh Family
Nursery: Josie Sahawneh
Arlington Kids: Marlea Liguori

WHAT'S COMING UP

DECEMBER



- 03** 11am-4pm 8th Arlington Holiday Festival/
Parade “Kids! Heart and Soul Cocoa Nog!
Gift Basket Sales
- 04** 11am Sunday Worship w/Annual Christmas Banquet
- 07** 5:30pm Salt of the Earth Sermon and Supper
- 11** 11am Sunday Worship and Snack Fellowship
- 14** 5:30pm Salt of the Earth Sermon and Supper
- 18** 11am Worship Service with Snack Fellowship
- 21** 5:30pm Salt of the Earth Sermon and Supper
- 24** 7pm Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
- 25** 11am Carol and Scripture Service

JANUARY



- 01** 11am Ring in the New Year! Sunday
Communion Worship Service with
Fellowship Meal-National Apple Gifting Day!
- 02** 9am Mondays at Panera’s w/Pastor Frank for Coffee and
Conversation
- 04** 5:30pm Salt of the Earth Sermon and Supper
- 08** 11am Sunday Worship and Snack Fellowship-
- 09** 9am Mondays at Panera’s w/Pastor Frank for Coffee and
Conversation
- 11** 5:30pm Salt of the Earth Sermon and Supper
- 15** 11am Worship Service with Snack Fellowship-National
Bagel Day!
- 16** 9am Mondays at Panera’s w/Pastor Frank for Coffee and
Conversation
- 18** 5:30pm Salt of the Earth Sermon and Supper
- 22** 11am Worship Service with Snack Fellowship
- 23** 9am Mondays at Panera’s w/Pastor Frank for Coffee and
Conversation
- 25** 5:30pm Salt of the Earth Sermon and Supper
- 29** 11am 5th Sunday Praise and Testimony! Service-National
Corn Chip Day!
- 30** 9am Mondays at Panera’s w/Pastor Frank for Coffee and
Conversation

ARLINGTON REFORMED CHURCH INFORMATION

SUNDAY MORNING MESSAGE RECORDINGS

Recordings of Sunday Messages can be found on the website.

WEEKLY EMAIL NEWSLETTER

Each week, a service newsletter gets emailed on Friday or Saturday. It includes information about Sunday's service and information about upcoming events. If you would like to receive it, please see Cynthia Canaday.

OFFERINGS

The plates at the front of the sanctuary are for your financial offerings. The smooth running of the church and our outreach into the community depends on the financial offerings of the church family alone with the building use income we receive. We appreciate your contributions.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Church is rarely cancelled due to wintery weather. If we are advised to stay off the roads, or there is a severe storm or one is imminent, we will cancel service. If we need to cancel, there will be a message on the church answering machine and on the website by 10am-so be sure to call or check the website before heading out into uncertain weather.

WEBSITE

Visit the church website at arlingtonreformedchurch.org for information about the church schedules/ministries.

WOULD YOU LIKE PRAYER OR A HOME VISIT?

Please call if you need prayer or would like a home visit. We have a prayer chain with very committed prayers. An elder can visit with you safely if you are shut-in at home.

PASTOR FRANK GALLO

Pastor Frank is available at the church, Mondays from 9am-12pm for appointments. He can be reached for conversation or to set up a time to connect at: (845) 546-7106

PRAYERS REQUESTS

Hugo Becker, Pat's dad with declining health. Wendy Bohlinger with multiple health concern, Don Veeder's dad, Harold, with declining health. Sam Veeder, continuing health issues.

2023 CONSISTORY

Elder: Dawn Kostenko: term to expire 12/2024

Elder: Rob Grant: term to expire 12/2025

Elder: Ann Veeder: term to expire 12/2023

Elder: Cynthia Canaday: term to expire 12/2024

Deacon: Jerry Canaday: term to expire 12/2023

Deacon: Stephanie Kinney: term to expire 12/2025

Deacon: Shahla Tariq: term to expire 12/2023

We welcome
your
questions or
suggestions.
Consistory
Meeting
minutes and
reports are
available in
the office

START TOGETHER

If you would like to have a beverage and snack before service come into the fellowship hall at 10:30am.

PRESERVICE REFLECTION

If you would like to pray before the Sunday service or take some time for reflection, music starts at 10:50.

LINGER LONGER

Every Sunday after service we have snacks and beverages or a meal on the first Sunday in the fellowship hall.

NON PERISHABLE FOOD COLLECTION MINISTRY

There are food bags at the console table inside the sanctuary door for canned and boxed food donations for Dutchess Outreach to help feed the food insecure in our community.

DUTCHESS OUTREACH BOTTLED WATER MINISTRY

Each month, we provide individual water bottles to Dutchess Outreach for their "Meals to Go" programs. If you can donate toward this monthly ministry, please use an offering envelope or mail in your donation labeled "Meals to Go."

DEACON AND OUTREACH FUND MINISTRY

The Arlington Reformed Church sometimes has requests from people within the church or community for help with groceries, bills, medical needs. Any financial help you can provide to help with this ministry is appreciated.

If you could volunteer some time to help clean the chairs in the fellowship hall, please see or contact Ann Veeder. Some breakfast sandwiches. some fellowship. some ministry together: 845-546-3286

SUNDAY 11.27.2022 ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:30AM

START TOGETHER

Preservice coffee, tea, and snacks available in the fellowship hall

10:50AM

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Instrumental music for reflection and prayer

11:00AM

GATHER AND DRAW NEAR

Welcome and Announcement

Gathering Prayer

Call to Worship

1st Sunday of Advent-Keep Awake!

Singing

“O Come O Come Emmanuel”

Singing

“How Great is Our God”

Kids Dismissed to Arlington Kids

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Guide for Grateful Living

Mark 13:26, 27 & 28 & 32-37

Singing

“We Have a Savior”

Singing

“Be Unto Your Name”

HEAR GOD’S WORD

Sermon Scripture

Sermon

RESPOND

Prayers of Intercession w/Lord’s Prayer

Sending Song

“The Blessing”

Sending Prayer

12:00PM

LINGER LONGER

Fellowship

All are invited for snack fellowship

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GOOD MORNING!

*Please remember to silence your cellphone. Stand during singing if you wish. **Bold** words in the service welcome your participation.*

GATHER AND DRAW NEAR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Keep awake! Be Ready!

(Based on Matthew 24:36-44)

Leader: The Son of Man is coming, but about that day and hour no one knows,

People: Neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

Leader: Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

People: Therefore, be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour. We light the first candle of Advent to remind us to keep awake and be ready for His coming.

SINGING

“O Come O Come Emmanuel”

**O come O come Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear**

Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel, shall come to thee O Israel

**O come Thou Wisdom from on high
Who orders all things mightily
To us the path of knowledge show
And teach us in the ways to go**

Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel, shall come to thee O Israel

**O come Desire of nations bind
In one the hearts of all mankind
Bid Thou our sad divisions cease
And be Thyself our King of Peace**

Rejoice, rejoice, Emmanuel, shall come to thee O Israel

SINGING "How Great is Our God"
**The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice**

**Chorus
How great is our God, sing with me
How great is our God, and all will see how great
How great is our God**

**And age to age He stands, and time is in His hands
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one, Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb**

**Chorus
Name above all names, worthy of all praise
My heart will sing, how great is our God
Name above all names, worthy of all praise
My heart will sing, how great is our God**

**Chorus
ARLINGTON KIDS DISMISSED TO CLASS**

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER
A prayer of confession is a way for us to acknowledge and repent from our sins. Through prayers of confession, we come clean with God about our mistakes and need for God's grace and forgiveness. A prayer said together is our way of acknowledging that we all have sinned and fallen short of God's glory.

ALL: Faithful God, your advent is before us. Wake us from drowsy worship, from the sleep that neglects love, and the sedative of misdirected activity. Awaken us now to your coming and bend our fears into your peace. Amen.

Please take a few minutes in silent prayer presenting your prayers and petitions to God while the worship team plays

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

GUIDE FOR GRATEFUL LIVING

Mark 13:26, 27 & 28 & 32-37

At that time, when the Lord returns, people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.

But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with their assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch.

Therefore, keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back—whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to everyone: "Watch!"

SINGING

"We Have a Savior"

**A child has been given, the King of our freedom
Singing for the light has come, this is Christmas**

**Come and adore Him, and bring gifts before Him
Joy to the world, worship the Son, this is Christmas**

Chorus

**This is Jesus Emmanuel, here with us tell all the world
We have a Savior, we have a Savior
We are no longer lost, 'cause He has come down for us
We have a Savior we have a Savior**

**Sing with the angels, and lift up your voices
Join in the song of hope, this is Christmas**

Chorus

**His love will reign forever, His love will reign forever
His love will reign forever
(repeat)**

Chorus

SINGING

“Be Unto Your Name”

**We are a moment You are forever
Lord of the ages God before time
We are a vapor You are eternal
Love everlasting reigning on high**

Chorus

**Holy holy Lord God Almighty
Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain
Highest praises honor and glory
Be unto Your name, Be unto Your name**

**We are the broken You are the healer
Jesus Redeemer mighty to save
You are the love song we'll sing forever
Bowing before You blessing Your name**

Chorus

**HEAR GOD'S WORD
SERMON SCRIPTURE**

SERMON