

DELMAR REFORMED CHURCH

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“A PLACE TO GATHER, A COMMUNITY IN WHICH TO BELONG”

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Chris Vande Bunte
Rev. Jake Chipka
Rev. Dr. Dave Corlett
Brian Axford
Lisa Rakoczy
Kimberly Gallo
Haley McCarthy
10:00 a.m.

VISION STATEMENT

Delmar Reformed Church is a community of faith working together to model the hospitality of Jesus, embody a spirit of generosity, and join in God’s work in the world.

The Lord's Day Service
Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME AND GREETING

THE APPROACH TO GOD

WORDS OF PROMISE

Our help is in the name of the Lord, maker of heaven and earth. Grace and peace are yours, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

INTROIT: *Create in Me a Clean Heart*

The candle is lit to remind us that Jesus Christ is the light of the world.

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Psalm 27 (*responsive*)

The Lord is my light and my salvation;

Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

Of whom shall I be afraid?

I believe that I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord; be strong and let your heart take courage.

Come, let us worship the Lord.

*OPENING HYMN: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

(*unison*)

God of grace, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you are our mighty fortress and your mercies are new every morning. The opportunity to rest in you is new every morning. The invitation to place our hope in you is new every morning. Yet too often we find our rest in lesser goods. We place our hope in empty words. Forgive us for our wayward ways, enliven our desire for you, and draw us back into communion with you ... (*Personal prayers continue in silence.*)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

CALL TO NEW LIVING

*RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE: GLORIA PATRI

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

Gospel Lesson: John 1:35-42

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Jake Chipka

"Rabbi" to Messiah: "What Does it Take to Really Know Someone?"

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: *Yet Not I But Christ in Me*

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MOMENT FOR MISSION: *Camp Fowler*

OFFERING SENTENCES

OFFERTORY: *Peace*

P. Mock

*DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise God all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly hosts:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN: *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

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BENEDICTION

GOD'S BLESSING OF MUSIC

Thank you to Kinley Logsdon for serving as our liturgist this morning! Kinley is an 8th grader at BCMS and a high-performing athlete. Whether she is preventing goals on the soccer pitch or winning hustle plays on the basketball court, Kinley is a passionate and talented member of her various teams. Kinley has completed her journey through Sunday School at DRC and is now active in the Middle School Youth Group and has helped usher in Sunday morning worship. Please continue to pray for Kinley and all of our confirmation students as the Confirmation year draws to an end.

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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



1. A might-y for-tress is our God, a bul-wark nev-er fail-ing,
2. Did we in our own strength con-fide, our striv-ing would be los-ing,
3. And though this world with dev-ils filled, should threat-en to un-do us,
4. God's word a-bove all earth-ly powers, no thanks to them, a-bid-eth.



our pres-ent help a-mid the flood of mor-tal ills pre-vail-ing.
 but there is one who takes our side, the one of God's own choos-ing.
 we will not fear for God has willed the truth to tri-umph through us.
 The Spir-it and the gifts are ours, through Christ, who with us sid-eth.



For still our an-cient foe doth seek to work us woe, with craft and
 You ask who that may be? Christ Je-sus, it is he with might-y
 The powers of dark-ness grim, we trem-ble not for them; their rage we
 Let goods and kin-dred go, this mor-tal life al-so. The bod-y



pow-er great, and armed with cru-el hate, on earth with-out an e-qual.
 pow'r to save, vic-to-ri-ous o'er the grave, Christ will pre-vail tri-um-phant!
 can en-dure, for lo, their doom is sure: One lit-tle word shall fell them.
 they may kill, God's truth a-bid-eth still, God's reign en-dures for-ev-er.



Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me

J. Robinson, R. Thompson, M. Farren

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What gift of grace is Je - sus, my Re - deem - er. There is no
The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en, for by my
No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en, the fut - ure
With ev - 'ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus, for he has



more for heav - en now to give. He is my joy, my right - eous - ness and
side the Sav - ior, he will stay. I lab - or on in weak - ness and re -
sure, the price, it has been paid. For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my
said that he will bring me home. And day by day I know he will re -



free - dom, my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less peace.____
joic - ing, for in my need, his pow - er is dis played.____
par - don, and he was raised to o - ver - throw the grave.____
new me un - til I stand with joy be - fore the throne.____



To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. For my
To this I hold: my Shep - herd will de - fend_ me. Through the
To this I hold: my sin has been de - feat - ed. Je - sus
To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus. All the



life is whol - ly bound to His.____ Oh how strange and di - vine, I can
deep - est val - ley he will lead.____ Oh the night has been won, and I
now, and ev - er, is my plea.____ Oh the chains are re - leased, I can
glo - ry ev - er - more to him.____ When the race is com - plete, still my



sing: all is mine! Yet not I but through Christ in me.
shall o - ver - come! Yet not I but through Christ in me.
sing: I am free! Yet not I but through Christ in me.
lips shall re - peat: Yet not I but through Christ in me.

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

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1. Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2. He comes with jus - tice speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong,
 3. He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth.
 4. To him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows as - cend,

Hail in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong,
 Love, joy, and hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth.
 his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end.

He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tives free,
 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 Be - fore him, on the moun - tains, shall peace, the her - ald, go,
 The tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move.

to take a - way trans - gres - sions, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, are pre - cious in his sight.
 and righ - teous - ness, in foun - tains, from hill to val - ley flow.
 His name shall stand for - ev - er; that name to us is Love.

**Understanding
the Bible: How to
Study Scripture
with Dr. J. Todd
Billings**



Video lecture series and conversation

After worship on May 12, 19, and 26
All are invited to join!





Today's chancel flowers are given in memory of Kate Kriss's dear family friend, Tom Nystrom.

Please sign up or let Kim in the office know if you can usher or help with coffee hour in the coming months, kgallo@drchurch.org.



Beginning June 2, we are in need of a new Nursery Director to welcome and care for the youngest members of our church family. Please reach out to Lisa Rakoczy, lisa@drchurch.org, if you are interested.

DRC's knitting/crocheting group is meeting today, April 28, after service in Bennett Parlors.



Calling all kids: Today through Sunday, May 19, our music director, Brian Axford, will be having chimes practice downstairs in the music room right after service. Kids will be performing in service on May 19, Children's Sunday. (There will not be practice on May 5th. Join us instead for the CROP Walk that day.)

F.e.a.s.t. Service is next Sunday the 5th. Fellowship time begins at 5:30, with the service beginning at 6:15 p.m. Join us!



Chancel Flowers are needed for **May 19 & 26**. If you would like to purchase them please reach out to Kim in the office, 518-439-9929. Flowers are \$50.00.

FOCUS Food Pantry Donations Needed!

Thank you to those who have donated so generously. Donations for the FOCUS Food Pantry should be left in the large bin by the mailboxes. You can leave food in the bin during normal business hours when the building is unlocked. If this is not possible, email the Coopers at cooperm12054@yahoo.com and they will arrange to pick up your donation at your house. This week, the pantry particularly needs:

- Toilet Paper
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Soap
- Razors
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Feminine Hygiene Products



Opportunities: April 28 ~ May 5

SUNDAY	10:00 a.m. 11:15 11:15 2:00 p.m. 3:00	Worship Service Kids' Chimes Rehearsal DRC's Knitting Group Confirmation Class Middle School Youth Group Family Promise Week
WEDNESDAY	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mid-Week Bible Study Bells Rehearsal
THURSDAY	12:00 p.m. 7:30	Lunch Bunch Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY	6:00 p.m.	Mug 'N' Muffin Flower Arranging Event
SATURDAY	9:30 a.m.	Moms' Time Out
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m. 10:00 12:30 p.m. 5:30 7:00	Breakfast with the Pastors - K-4th Worship Service CROP Walk F.e.a.s.t. Service RPM Meeting

In Our Prayers:

Carol Ackerman's cousin, Jane
 Mille
 Chris Allgeier
 Peggy Becker's sister-in-law,
 Ofelia Noble
 Bob Bosman's brothers, Don,
 Roger & Tom
 Lois Caulfield
 Joyce & Willie Demoly
 Tylor D'Errico's friend, Barbara
 Jean Duncan's nephew,
 Bobbie St. Armour
 Russ Dobbert's wife, Mary
 Ardyce Elmore
 Karen Empie's cousin, Reg
 Boucher
 Betty Flood's son, Nick
 Brita Gieryic's sister, Kathyna
 Sherley Hannay's friend, Mary
 Lou McElmurray
 Ryan Hornick

Roseann Lohrey's friends, Kaitlyn
 & Cassidy
 Michelle McIlroy
 Ola Montgomery's brother-in-law,
 David
 Dennis Radliff
 Mary Roberts
 Kathie Shearer
 Judith Suess's cousin's daughter,
 Katherine Sundwall
 Julie Tootell's mother, Doris
 Calamaras
 Pastor Chris's mom, Eileen
 Mike Van Kleeck' sister, Carol
 Sickler
 Mark Vissat
 Pat Willey's brother, Tom
 Dolores Zeh
 Victims of Conflict

In memory of: **April 28**
 Raymond Arthur Hicks 1990



Flower Arrangements

Mug 'N' Muffin Flower Arrangement Event

Friday, May 3

6:00 p.m.

Bring a snack to share and an average-sized mug in which to create your flower arrangement.

Sign up is in the Narthex.

Middle School Youth Group Every 2nd & 4th Sunday.

TODAY

3:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall Kitchen

All 6th, 7th & 8th graders are invited.



Breakfast with the Pastors!!

Preschool through 4th grade Sunday School
Classes

Sunday, May 5, 9:00-9:40 am
Bennett Parlors

Join us on the
CROP Walk
after worship
too!!



LUNCH BUNCH



Lunch Bunch

Join us for lunch **Thursday, May 2**

12:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall

Steak sandwiches, French fries, Mexican street corn, chocolate cake and ice cream will be served.

Meet new friends, connect with old ones!

Invite a friend, the more the merrier!

\$5.00 per person

RSVP to the church office, 518-439-9929

Moms' Time Out

DRC's group for moms with newborns to preschool age.

Next Meeting, Saturday, May 4

Spa Day

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Meeting on the 3rd Floor



CROP Hunger Walk - When you walk in the CROP Hunger Walk, you are raising money to help fight hunger but you are also walking in solidarity with all of those people around the world who are walking for food, for water and for firewood each day. Only one week left to sign up to be a walker or sponsor! To become a walker or sponsor, please see Linda Mayou. The CROP Hunger Walk is truly about us all fighting hunger in many ways throughout the world!! Come walk with us!

NEWCOMERS' CORNER

WELCOME to Delmar Reformed Church. We are happy that you are worshipping with us today. Please join us for Fellowship time after the service in the church lobby. Our ushers are available to answer your questions and share information about our church.

WORSHIPPERS WITH VISION ISSUES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ASK AN USHER FOR LARGE PRINT HYMNALS, BIBLES AND BULLETINS.

CHILDREN are welcome in our worship service. Ask an usher for a special children's worship bulletin that has Scripture-based activities. Children, Pre-K through grade 7, are invited to Sunday School, beginning after the Children's Message.

WORSHIPPERS WITH WHEELCHAIRS AND WALKERS are invited to use the lift near the office at the back doors. An usher will assist you. There is an area reserved for wheelchairs in the front of the sanctuary.

AVAILABLE ONLINE: Please visit our website www.drchurch.org and let us know what you think.

NURSERY: Our nursery is always available - one floor below the sanctuary - pagers provided. Our nursery coordinator, Haley McCarthy, will be happy to welcome you! If you would like more information, please speak with Haley or Lisa Rakoczy.



Both the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall are looped to provide access for those with hearing loss. In order to access the loop, switch your hearing aid to the T-coil setting.

Is someone you know going into the hospital this week?
Please call the church office, 439-9929, as soon as you know.



We are looking for anyone who would be interested in helping with sound/video during our church services in the sanctuary.

If this is something you would be interested in contact the church office 518-439-9929.