

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
Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 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: *Here O Lord Your Servants Gather*

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

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Psalm 98 (*responsive*)

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

Sing praises with stringed instruments, horns, and the sound of melody;

Let the sea shout, and all that fills it, the world and those who live in it!

Let the floods clap their hands!

Let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the Lord!

God is coming! The Lord will judge the world with equity and righteousness!

Come, let us worship the Lord!

*OPENING HYMN: *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!* #4

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

(*unison*)

Gracious God, forgive us when our priorities become skewed. When our focus is on what we might gain, rather than what we might share. When we strive for extra, rather than making sure others have enough. When might and right are paramount, rather than unity and harmony. When we come to the table self minded, instead of humbling ourselves as one before you. Help us invite you in, rather than close ourselves off. Help us to live in new and right ways...(*Personal prayers continue in silence.*)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

CALL TO NEW LIVING

*RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE: GLORIA PATRI

#35

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PASSING OF THE PEACE

WE HEAR THE WORD OF GOD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 15:1-21

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This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Chris Vande Bunte

A Lesson from Star Trek

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: *All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly* #419

OFFERING SENTENCES

OFFERTORY: *By Grace I'm Saved*

C. Scheidt, C. Dretzel

*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*

#359

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

COMMUNION PRAYER

WE SING THE HEAVENLY CHORUS: "*Holy, Holy, Holy!*"

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power, God of might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest. Hosanna in the Highest.

SHARING THE BREAD—SHARING THE CUP

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: *When, in Awe of God's Creation*

#688

BENEDICTION

GOD'S BLESSING OF MUSIC

4 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant

4. Ho - ly, God Al - might - y!

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee;
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Thy works praise thee in earth and sky and sea;
 Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the sin - ful hu - man eye thy glo - ry may not see;
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea;

God most ho - ly, mer - ci - ful and might - y!

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y,
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y;

WORDS: Reginald Heber, 1826, alt.
 MUSIC: John B. Dykes, 1861; desc. O. I. Cricket Harrison, 1994

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God, all ho - ly, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
God ev - er - liv - ing, through e - ter - ni - ty.
per - fect in power, in love, and pur - i - ty.
God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three staves: a vocal line, a piano accompaniment line, and a bass line. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line and between the piano and bass lines.

Welcome
to worship

May we listen for
the new word God
has for us today.

The graphic features a central photograph of a bouquet of flowers, including white and pink peonies, orange and yellow flowers, and greenery, arranged in a white pitcher with blue floral patterns. The entire scene is framed by a black background with a yellow and black checkered border.

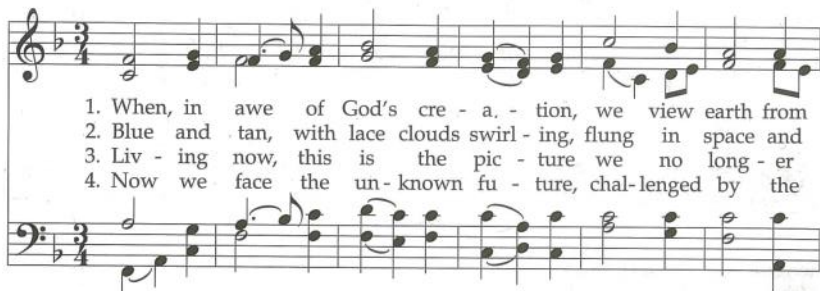
419 All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

1. All who hun-ger, gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
 2. All who hun-ger, nev-er strang-ers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3. 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.

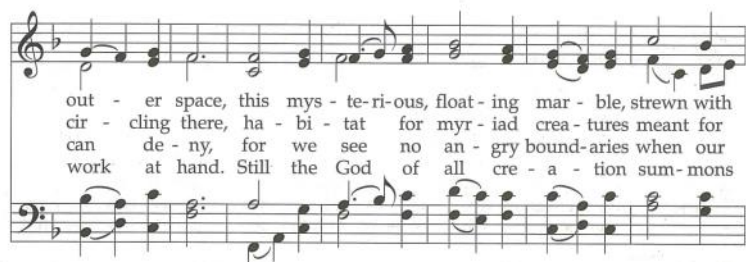
You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mu-nion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.

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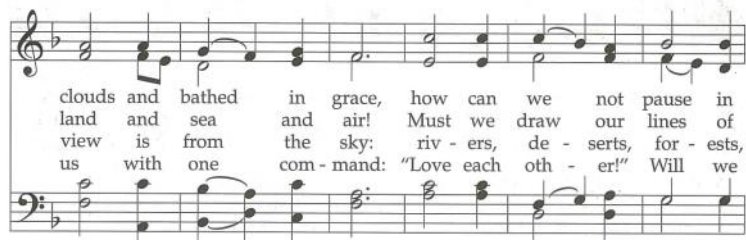


1. When, in awe of God's cre - a - tion, we view earth from
 2. Blue and tan, with lace clouds swirl - ing, flung in space and
 3. Liv - ing now, this is the pic - ture we no long - er
 4. Now we face the un - known fu - ture, chal - lenged by the

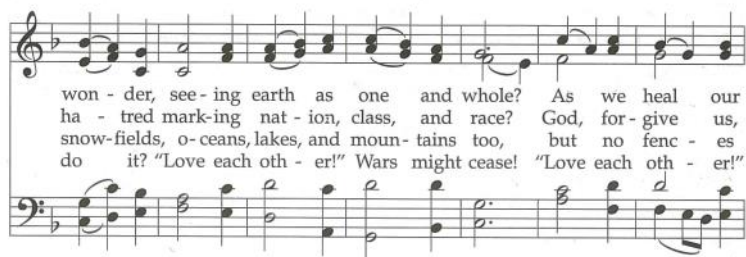
GOD'S WORLD: UNITY OF CREATION



out - er space, this mys - te - ri - ous, float - ing mar - ble, strewn with
 cir - cling there, ha - bi - tat for myr - iad crea - tures meant for
 can de - ny, for we see no an - gry bound - aries when our
 work at hand. Still the God of all cre - a - tion sum - mons



clouds and bathed in grace, how can we not pause in
 land and sea and air! Must we draw our lines of
 view is from the sky: riv - ers, de - serts, for - ests,
 us with one com - mand: "Love each oth - er!" Will we



won - der, see - ing earth as one and whole? As we heal our
 ha - tred mark - ing nat - ion, class, and race? God, for - give us,
 snow - fields, o - ceans, lakes, and moun - tains too, but no fenc - es
 do it? "Love each oth - er!" Wars might cease! "Love each oth - er!"



proud di - vi - sions, may earth's heal - ing be our goal.
 we en - treat you, for all pride of self and place.
 built for bar - ring you from me or me from you.
 Jus - tice fol - lows: "Love each oth - er!" There is peace!



Today's chancel flowers are given in loving memory of little Nana from Jaina & Jason Rakoczy.

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.

Calling all kids: Sunday, May 12, 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.)



"Understanding the Bible" video series begins next Sunday the 12, after service at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. The series will happen again on May 19 & 26. Reach out to Pastor Jake with any questions, jchipka@drchurch.org



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: May 5 ~ May 12

SUNDAY	10:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 5:30 7:00	Worship Service CROP Walk F.e.a.s.t. Service RPM Meeting
MONDAY	6:00 p.m. 7:00	Outreach Meeting Delmar Comm. Orchestra Concert
TUESDAY	6:00 p.m. 7:00	Elders Meeting Consistory Meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Mid-Week Bible Study Bells Rehearsal
THURSDAY	4:00 p.m. 7:30	Visitation Meeting Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY	5:30 p.m.	DRC's Movie Night
SATURDAY	8:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study
SUNDAY	10:00 a.m. 11:15 11:30 2:00 p.m.	Worship Service Kids Chime Rehearsal Reading the Bible Video Lecture Confirmation Class

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

Roseann Lohrey's friends, Kaitlyn
 & Cassidy
 Michelle McIlroy
 Ola Montgomery's brother-in-law,
 David
 Dennis Radliff
 Kathie Shearer
 Judith Suess's brother, Jon Utley
 Julie Tootell's mother, Doris
 Calamaras
 Pastor Chris's mom, Eileen
 Mike Van Kleeck' sister, Carol
 Sickler
 Pat Willey's brother, Tom
 Victims of Conflict

In memory of:	May 3
Matilda Happel Becker	1923
William E. Stewart	1930
Mary Catherine Kunz	1938
Harris Becker	1938
Milford Campbell	1980



CROP Hunger Walk - Today is our CROP Hunger Walk! Walkers will register at the table in the Narthex starting at 12:30 p.m. There is still time to join the walk or to sponsor a walker. See Linda Mayou to sign up. Thanks to all the walkers and their sponsors for participating!



F.e.a.s.t. Worship Service

TODAY

5:30 p.m. Fellowship Time

food theme is "food you can take on a walk"

6:15 Service in the Sanctuary

Enjoy some fellowship time together beginning at 5:30 and from 6:15 to 7:00 p.m. we gather for a time of music, Bible exploration, and prayer. All are welcome and invited to this casual and intimate gathering the first Sunday of each month.





ALL YOUTH EXTRAVAGANZA

Calling all 6th-12th graders ...

All are invited to a fun-filled afternoon of games, snacks, and memorable time together!

Sunday, May 19 | 2-4 pm | Delmar Reformed Church
386 Delaware Ave, Delmar, NY, 12054

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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.