

THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 22nd 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany	8:45 am	Music Room	Sr. Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Sanctuary	Worship Service
	9:45 am	Education Bldg	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Music Room Fellowship Hall	Youth Choir <i>Coffee Hour</i>
Tuesday, January 24th	6:30 pm	Lounge	H & A
	7 pm		Planning Meeting- Sacred Sites Tour
Wednesday, January 25th	7 pm	Music Room	Bells
Thursday, January 26th	7:30 pm	Sanctuary	Sr. Choir Practice
Saturday, January 28th	9 am	Fellowship Hall	Carpet Cleaning
Sunday, January 29th 4th Sunday after the Epiphany	8:45 am	Music Room	Sr. Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 am	Sanctuary	Worship Service
	9:45 am	Education Bldg	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Music Room	Youth Choir
		Room 103	Cherubs
		Lounge	Fostering Families
Fellowship Hall		<i>Coffee Hour</i>	



The Niskayuna Reformed Church
3041 TROY-SCHENECTADY ROAD
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FOUNDED IN 1750

Each member and friend
The Reverend Jason Fulkerson
Paul Alois
Rebecca Benjamin
Andrew Burger
Ellen Gauna
Norma Lovell
Kathy Mausert
Lester Perlee
Wendy Sims
Rick Wallace

Ministers
Pastor
Treasurer
Organist
Director of Music
Church Administrator
Director of Bell Choir
Director of Nursery School
Cemetery Superintendent
Teacher, Nursery School
Church Sexton

NRC Mission Statement

Our mission is to be a family of people seeking to be of help to each other and to our world through the encouragement of God's Spirit and the sharing of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. To that end, we offer opportunities for worship, friendship, personal growth and service.

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation

NISKAYUNA REFORMED CHURCH

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

9:30 am

January 22, 2017

ORDER OF WORSHIP

*Please remember to turn off cell phones or put on airplane mode,
if cell phones remain on, they interfere with the sound system.*

Let the first note of the prelude be a call to quietly prepare for the significance
of the experience that is before you.

Announcements

Prelude	<i>Of The Father's Love Begotten</i>	<i>Held</i>
Introit	<i>Down in My Heart</i> <i>NRC Cherub Choir</i>	<i>Cooke</i>

Votum Lynne Barnard-Avveduti
Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. **Amen.**

The Call to Worship

Our hearts are ready, O Lord, our hearts are ready!

We will sing and make melody! We will awaken the dawn!

We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples, we will sing praises
to you among the nations.

**For your steadfast love is great above the heavens, and your
faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

*Hymn *O Come and Sing Unto the Lord* **29**
(second tune)

- Please keep Kathy & Bill Dzamba and family in your prayers. Kathy's father, Salvatore Durante, passed away this week.
- The carpets in Rooms 103 & 104 were cleaned on January 16th. The second phase of the carpet cleaning will take place on **Saturday, January 28th @ 9 am.** Help is still needed with opening the building for the carpet cleaners, supervision of cleaners (if needed) and locking the building when they are done. Please contact Ellen ASAP if you are able to do this. Keys can be provided!

TODAY

If you are a visitor to our worship service today, we welcome you. May this time of praising God and learning of His plan for our lives be helpful to each of us. If you wish to be identified as a guest, please help us to get to know you by meeting the greeter at the rear of the sanctuary and receive a visitor's bag of information about our church.

- Parents with infants and small children are reminded of the room behind the balcony with an audio system to hear the worship service. There is infant and toddler care in Room 102 of the Education Bldg.
- Our greeter(s) today: Bob & Linda Gardner.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Birthday wishes go out to Anna Pustay and Sydney Whelan.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Worship teams for **January 29**: Ushers: Richard Mizenko, Peter & Thelma Ford & Bonnie Wood; Counters: Paul Sullivan, Glenn Kreig & Dominic Andriano; Greeter(s): Barbara Sim.
- Pastor Jason will be on vacation beginning January 23rd and will return to the office on January 30th. Abby Norton-Levering will be our substitute preacher on **January 29th**.
- With the new year fast approaching, M & SC is looking ahead for volunteers to help serve dinners at the City Mission. Our relationship with this fine organization has existed for many years and provides support to many local families. Our first date is scheduled for **February 21st** from 4:45-6:30 pm. Please join us as we continue this worthy tradition. If interested, please contact Michele Kopp at: [393-0419](tel:393-0419) or mishcata@gmail.com. We'll also be collecting baked goods, which can be dropped off in the kitchen by 3:30 pm that day. Thank you for your support.
- Beginning **February 5th**, please join us for a Sermon Reflection in the Lounge from 11-12, following our Coffee Hour.

*The Salutation and the People's Amen

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcoming of New Members Mike & Suzi O'Brien

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

(continue in silent reflection)

The Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

Words of Assurance

Christ is our peace; those who are divided he has made one. He has broken down the barriers of separation by his death and has built us up into one body, with God. To all who repent and believe he has promised reconciliation.

Call to New Life

As the chosen of God, then, the holy people whom he loves, you are to be clothed in heartfelt compassion, in generosity and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other if one of you has a complaint against another. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, put on love, the perfect bond. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together in one body.

*The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Anthem *Gentle Shepherd* Dresie
The NRC Senior Choir; John Burger, Sharon Rice-Herbst, soloists

THE WORD OF GOD

Junior Sermon

The Interlude

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Teach us your way, O Lord, and lead us on a level path. Teach us, O Lord, to follow your decrees; then we will keep them to the end. Give us understanding, and we will keep your law and obey it with all our hearts. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 27: 1, 4-9 Bible page 503-504 OT

New Testament Lesson 1 Corinthians 1: 10-18 Bible page 166 NT

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

*Hymn *The Church's One Foundation* 437

Sermon "Break the Wall Down"
Rev. Jason Fulkerson

THE RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

The Offering

The Offertory *Jesus, Still Lead on* Peery
The NRC Senior Choir

*Doxology 544 and Prayer of Consecration

The Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

When prompted with "Lord in your mercy"

Respond with "Hear our prayer"

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.***

The Choral Amen

*Hymn *They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love* Insert

*The Benediction

The Benediction Response

*The Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand.

Congregational responses are printed in bold type.