



The Setauket Presbyterian Church

“As active disciples of Jesus Christ, we celebrate and share the love of God among ourselves and with others.”

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

Reformation Sunday

October 25, 2015

9:30 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*We use this time to make the transition between “getting here” and “being here”.
Be aware of being together in silence with others. Feel the spirit of the community.*

Prelude

Ring of the Steeple Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Introit: Light Enters *O Gladsome Light*

Genevan Psalter, 1551

An elder bearing the Word, rather than clergy bearing a cross, is an old Reformed tradition.

Today, this elder joins a child bearing the Light (another name for the Word of God) into the Sanctuary.

* **Call to Worship** (Psalm 119:97, 103, 105)

How I love your teachings, God: I think upon them all the day.

**How sweet are your words to my taste, O LORD,
Sweeter than honey to my mouth!**

Your word is a lamp to my feet

And a light to my path.

* **Hymn 462** *I Love to Tell the Story*

HANKEY

SUMMARY OF THE LAW (Today’s First Reading)

Matthew 22:37-40

in Reformed churches, this “benchmark” always opened worship

Call to Reconciliation

Jesus said: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.

And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

(silence for a moment)

Prayer for Reconciliation



(I’m Sorry Prayer)

Gracious God, we give you thanks this Reformation Day for the Scriptures, through which, by the Spirit, we hear you speaking to us down through the ages. And when you speak, we are like the Apostle Peter: we are so grateful for your Word, yet so much is hard for us to understand; and like Peter, even when we do understand, we still fall short of what you require of us. We have not loved you with all our heart and soul and mind. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Faithful God, forgive us. Send your Spirit among us, that we may truly live as you have called us to live, through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose strong name we pray...

(silent prayer)

Assurance of God's Grace



(God Loves Me Forever)

...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* **Gloria** (sing once in unison, twice in a round)

from Taizé

**(a) Glory to God, glory to God, (b) glory to God in the highest;
glory to God, glory to God; alleluia, alleluia.**

WITH THE CHILDREN: 3RD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

JOY OF THE LAW

Prayer in Response to the Gift of the Word

God of grace,

We love to tell the story of Jesus and his love!

God of generosity,

**We thank you for Bibles given to us so that we may learn and grow,
and take part in the unfolding story of your love for the world.**

God of justice and mercy,

**we pray that we may not only treasure the Bibles given to us, but read them;
and having done so, carry your love to all your children, through Jesus Christ,
our brother, our friend, and our Savior, who taught us when we pray to say...**

The Lord's Prayer

(Children should proceed to their church school class.)

HEARING THE WORD

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...

Second Reading Jeremiah 31:10-14,31-34

Anthem *I Will Arise*

arr. Parker/Shaw

THE SERMON

The Rev. Diane Samuels

* **HYMN 481** *I Believe in God the Father*

GENEVAN 42

Calvin delighted in congregational singing of the Psalms and Creeds. These words are based on the Apostles' Creed, which is associated with Baptism, and set to the Genevan melody for Psalm 42, "As a hart longs for flowing streams," a Psalm associated with Baptism.

MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship Committee

THANKING GOD THROUGH OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

(Please sign the Friendship Roster found at the end of the pew,
noting the name of fellow worshippers when it is returned.)

* **Doxology 606 (alt)**

* **Prayer of Dedication**

Joyful, generous God, all things come from you. With all that we have, and all that we are, we seek to be faithful. Accept our efforts, amend our errors, and guide our ambitions; that our deeds, and our lives, show forth the glory of your kingdom, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

* HYMN 624 (attr. John Calvin) *I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art*

TOULON

* CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION and BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE *Glory Be to the Father*

Scottish chant

POSTLUDE

please rise in body or in spirit; **unison prayers are in bold.*

Large print bulletins, Bibles, hymnals and listening devices are available; please ask a Deacon.

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 - ALL SAINTS' DAY

9:00 Knitting at 9 in the Parlor

9:30 Intergenerational Worship Service with Communion and the Rev. Mary Speers preaching;
Reception of New Members; Childcare (ages 1 - 5); 7th Grade Program Balcony

11:00 Adult Education Class in Jr./Sr. High Room

5:30 All Saints' Service with Communion