

# Abbe Reformed Church

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 12, 2013 – 10:15 AM

## GATHERING IN WORSHIP

Prelude

Call to Worship

*One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

**Many: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

\*Choruses

*His Strength Is Perfect*

*A Perfect Heart*

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\*Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,  
our sins are too heavy to carry,  
too real to hide,  
and too deep to undo.**

*(silence)*

**Lighten our darkness, Lord.  
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;  
open us to your future where we are already changed:  
in Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

\*Words of Assurance

\*Hymn

*Rejoice, the Lord is King*

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\*Sharing in the Peace of Christ

Greeting and Announcements

Children's Time

**The B-I-B-L-E, yes that's the book for me!  
I stand alone on the word of God, the B-I-B-L-E.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Acts 1:1-14

p. 830

Morning Message

*Are we there yet?*

Pastor Noah

## OUR GRATEFUL RESPONSE

Offering

Offertory

*He Touched Me*

Choir

\*Doxology

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn

*A Christian Home*

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\*Benediction

\*Closing Song

**He is Lord, He is Lord!  
He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!  
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord.**

Postlude

Pastors Noah & Kristen Livingston

Jennifer Schruers, Music Director

Eric Legters, Pianist

*\*Congregation please stand as able*

## 2013 Consistory

### Elders

Scott Bensink - Vice President (2015)  
Duane Williams - Clerk (2014)  
Quentin Bensink (2015)  
Willis Koren (2013)  
Nelson TeCrony (2014)  
Norvel Willink (2013)

### Deacons

(2013) Head Deacon - Steve Holthouse  
(2014) Benevolent Treasurer - Mike Einink  
(2015) Eric Dunnewold  
(2015) Brian Jantzi  
(2013) Esther Nickerson  
(2014) Garret Willink

*"In the name of Christ, we welcome you to the fellowship of Abbe Church, its work and worship, its instruction and service, and to its comfort and blessing."*

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### Church Office

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### Faith Community Nurse

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### Pastors' Study

Kristen & Noah – 716.355.8883  
[pastors@abbereformedchurch.org](mailto:pastors@abbereformedchurch.org)

**Prayer Concerns and Celebrations:** Please continue to keep all those who are confined to nursing homes and all those who have ongoing physical problems in your thoughts and prayers, including: *Kevin Fardink, Carol Hunink, Skylar MacDonald, Paige Michael, Melissa, Jacob and Erin Murphy, John and Carol Neckers, Rose Neckers, Karen Nyweide, Luella Stebbins, Paul and Josie TenHuisen, Myrtle Tryon, Kathy Whalen, Bill Wiggers and Ken Wiggers.*

Also remember *Trudy Williams* as she undergoes knee replacement surgery this Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>.

Also continue to keep each of the older members of our congregation in your prayers.

Pray again this week for our congregation and our community as a whole. Remember the *Consistory, our Sunday School, the Teens On Fire Youth Group, Awana, REACH Ministry, MOPS, and Wee Care Preschool.*

Also remember our college students as they finish up the end of this school year.

Continue to pray again this week for our country, for our President, as well as our national, state and local leaders. Let's remember all of the families of those involved in the tragedies that have occurred in our country over the last couple of weeks.

Continue to pray faithfully for the safety of our armed forces in and returning home from various combat zones and for the cause of peace in our world.

Remember again this week to pray for each of our missionaries and mission projects, especially remembering *Dick and Carolyn Otterness*, in Hungary, as we ask that God will continue to bless their efforts as they reach out to others in Jesus' name.

**High School/College Graduates:** Please turn in to the Office the names of any family members that will be graduating from either High School or from College this year so that they may be recognized during a Morning Worship in June. Include future plans whenever possible.

**Consistory Agendas** are available in the Heritage Room for Tuesday evening's meeting.

**Dear Abbe Church Family,**

Thank you so much for all of your thoughts, gifts, visits and prayers! God has blessed us with such wonderful family and friends! We could not have gotten through the last few months without your support and encouragement!

Love, *Scott, Willowe, Rose and Holly*

**Congratulations, Marlea!**

Each year the VFW recognizes the nation's top classroom teachers who emphasize citizenship education and effectively promote America's history, traditions, and institutions. For innovative teaching and dedication to education, Marlea Brown, high school English teacher at Chautauqua Lake Central School, was awarded the 2013 National Citizenship Education Teacher of the Year Award in grades 9-12 for New York State. Nominated by her principal and the Mayville Post, she won first place at the local, county, district, and state levels.

**Women's Ministries Meeting:** May 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be studying Chapter 2 in our study book. All Ladies are welcome.

The annual ACAC picnic will be held on 19 May 2013, at the North Clymer Methodist Church starting at 4PM. All are welcome! For further information please contact Bob Knapp at 355-6102.

**Yard Sale:** Are you doing your Spring cleaning and finding things that you no longer have any use for? How about donating them to the R.E.A.C.H. Ministry Team for a yard sale on June 1, 2013. This sale will be held at the Abbe Reformed Church Fellowship Hall to raise money for the Prayer Quilts that are being given out. Each Quilt uses about \$30 worth of materials to make. This part of the Ministry has been very busy. Please contact Esther Nickerson at 716-355-4131 if you should have any items to donate. Thank you for your continuing support.

Community Durable Medical Equipment Supply 'Closet'

The community medical equipment that was formerly stored above the Clymer-French Creek Library has been relocated.

Gently used medical equipment is available on loan, free of charge.

Equipment available includes: walkers, wheelchairs, crutches, canes, shower chairs, bedside commodes, and more!

To inquire about donating or obtaining equipment please contact:

Leanna Willink, RN, Faith Community Nurse  
Coordinator of REACH Ministry (Health Ministry)

Home: 355-6460

Cell: (716) 499-4163

[reach@abbereformedchurch.org](mailto:reach@abbereformedchurch.org)

**Today:**

10:15 AM - Morning Worship

11:30 AM - Sunday School

**This Week:**

Tuesday - 7:30 PM - Consistory Meeting

Wednesday - 8:00 PM - Choir Practice

Thursday - 1:30 PM - Ladies Bible Study

7:30 PM - Women's Ministries Meeting

**SERVING THE LORD AND US THIS WEEK**

Acolytes Justin Massing and Michael Shampoe

Ushers Brent Deuink and Duane Williams

Greeters Larry and Charlotte Holmstrom

Greeting Elder Quentin Bensink

Nursery Brian and Mary Jantzi

Cameraperson Breanna Summers

Pianist Eric Legters

**SERVING THE LORD AND US NEXT WEEK**

Acolytes Rose Neckers, Kate Honey and Alex Dunnewold

Ushers Eric Heil and Esther Nickerson

Greeters John and Jodi Massing

Greeting Elder Scott Bensink

Nursery Lucinda Neckers and Breanna Summers

Cameraperson Larry McCray

Pianist Eric Legters

**Shut in of the Week:** Darwin TenHaken at Corry Manor**Missionaries of the Week:** Dick and Carolyn Otterness, in HungaryChurch Address: PO Box 249  
595 Clymer-Sherman Rd.  
Clymer, NY 14724Pastors Noah & Kristen Livingston:  
PO Box 272  
Clymer, NY 14724**Deacons report for May 5, 2013**

General Fund \$ 3,615.56

Benevolent 760.00

Major Projects 50.00

Lilies 10.00

Total Offering \$ 4,435.56

Attendance 147

Sunday School 114

Needed per Sunday to meet our Budget in 2013 is \$3,123.00 in the General Fund and \$923.00 in the Benevolent Fund. Needed to date in General is \$56,214.00 and \$16,614.00 in Benevolent.

Received for 18 Sundays is \$49,313.12 in the General Fund and \$16,126.00 in the Benevolent Fund.

**READY FOR THE EPIC QUEST OF A LIFETIME?** Lords and Ladies, your presence has been requested.

A sign-up sheet for Kingdom Rock VBS is located on the table in the back of the Sanctuary.

The Royal Court is filling up fast, so please sign up early for "supreme staffing".

The quest begins July 14-18, 6-8:30pm. If thee has queries, please contact Willowe 355-6345 or Louann 355-2510.

Supplies needed for VBS... We are in need of supplies for crafts and decorating for VBS. The following list of supplies can be placed in the box labeled "VBS Supplies" located in the fellowship hall. Please be aware, these particular items will not be returned. If you have any questions, please contact Willowe or Louann.

\*Puff Paint (fabric paint)

\*Newspaper

\*12 oz. plastic solo cups

\*Left over paints

Items needed for VBS... We are also in need of items for use during the Bible stories. If you are willing to donate the following items, please contact Willowe or Louann directly, and we will be able to ensure the safe return of these items.

\*Plastic swords, shields, and helmets

\*Stuffed sheep

\*Wading pool

***His Strength Is Perfect***

His strength is perfect when our strength is gone;  
He'll carry us when we can't carry on.

Raised in His power, the weak become strong;  
His strength is perfect, His strength is perfect.

***A Perfect Heart***

Bless the Lord who reigns in beauty;  
Bless the Lord who reigns in wisdom and power.  
Bless the Lord who fills my life with so much love,  
He can make a perfect heart.