# Thank you for worshiping with us at Harrisena Community Church

#### **Our Core Values**

At Harrisena, we believe diversity is a blessing.

We believe that the message Jesus of Nazareth brought to humankind is as relevant today as it was 2,000+ years ago. We believe that this message is one of healing and transforming love that breaks down barriers—a message of welcome, inclusion, equality, respect, forgiveness, and care for all people and the earth.

We believe that this message, rather than the particular institutions conveying it, forms the most enduring foundation for a life well lived in other words, a life lived in the divine image.

We believe that each of us is free to understand and worship God in our own ways.

We believe that faith is enriched by human reason, not in conflict with it.

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"Jesus said unto her, **1** am the resurrectio n, and the life: he that believeth in me, thoug he were dead, yet shall be live" John 11:25

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 29, 2020

#### HARRISENA COMMUNITY CHURCH

#### Join us on FACEBOOK LIVESunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. for worship and beginning on 3/31, Prayer onTuesday - Thursday at 12 noon. Phone connections will be available also.

#### **CENTERING WORDS**

"Show me your way, O God, my Shepherd. Open a right path and let me hear your call to follow. Show me your way, O Christ, my Healer. Open my eyes to the needs of my world."

The Gathering

PRELUDE

**GREETING&INVOCATION** 

#### THE WORK OF THE COMMUNITY/HAPPY DOLLAR

#### Awaken to the Word

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

- L: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!
- **P:If** you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.
- L: Hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and great power to redeem.
- P: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits; and in the word of the Lord I hope.
- L: Let us worship God!
- ALL: Amen and amen!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "How Great Thou Art" #51

#### **\*PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION (in unison)**

You are merciful and just in the deliverance of your people, O God. You draw us up out of the depths of distress; you incline your ear as we call on your name. Our souls rest in you and in the promise of Christ's redeeming love. Lay now your hand upon us, and draw us out by your Spirit, that we may sing praises to your name.

#### **\*SILENT PRAYERS**

Proclamation of the Word

Ezekiel 37:1-4 **Psalm 130** Romans 8:6-11 **John 11:1-45** *The Word of God for the people of God.* **Thanks be to God!** 

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

**RESPONSE** *"Give me a Clean Heart"(insert)* 

**SERMON** Dr. Natalie C. Wimberly

Response to the Word

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** 

PRAYER RESPONSE "Cares Chorus"#493

#### **PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS**

Donations can be mailed to Harrisena Community Church, 1616 Ridge Road, Queensbury, NY 12804. We are currently trying to identify online giving as well. We will forward the information to you as soon as we have it set up. Thank you for your continued support of our church family!

#### **PRAYER OF DEDICATION:**

Living God, through these gifts we now give, help our world live. Loving God, through these gifts we now give, help our world love. Nourish others as you have nourished us, with your steadfast presence and your healing grace. *Amen and amen*!

### Sent Forth by the Word

\*HYMN OF DEDICATION "God of the Sparrow" v.1-3#29

**\*BENEDICTION** 

#### **\*RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP/THE PEACE OF CHRIST:**

*All*: As your heart beats with my heart in living God's love, may the peace of Christ be with you.

#### \*POSTLUDETO GOD BE THE GLORY!

Thank you to all those who have shared in worship today! We thank God for your gifts, graces, and presence.

Andrew Bigelow, Army - stateside Derek Dumas – stateside Michael Gusek, Patriot Missile Battery – Middle East Gary Hogan, USA Joseph Hubbard, Army - stateside Corey Ledgerwood, Army - Afghanistan Wes McOueen, USAF – stateside Tony Mitchell, USAF Tyler Monroe, USAF Breanna Moore, USAF - stateside Griffith Parry, West Point Military Academy Todd Payne, Army – stateside James Pearson, USAF Philip Riccio, Army – stateside Pete Ruscitti. USN Brian Schneider, Army – Afghanistan Kelly Thompson, US Health Service Dan Urband, USNG – Afghanistan Mark Wilson, USNG/Spcl Forces - stateside Braden Stormer – stateside

A Special Prayer for peace & health in our time, O Lord.

#### NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS SIXTH SUNDAY IN LENT THE WEEK OF APRIL 5, 2020

Old Testament: Isaiah 50:4-9a Psalm: Psalm 31:9-16 Epistle Reading:Philippians 2:5-11 Gospel:Matthew 26:14-27

#### HARRISENA COMMUNITY CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are still accepting FOOD DONATIONS for **FAMILY SERVICES.** These donations can be left at the front door of the Ed. Building. Open the front door and place them in the entrance between the  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  door. Thank you so much!

<u>Most needed</u>: applesauce, baking items {flour, sugar, cake & frosting mixes}; oatmeal; raisins; cereals; baby food (**no glass**, please); pasta; tomato sauce; canned meats/vegetables/beans; peanut butter; macaroni & cheese; instant puddings; and soups. **Personal items** are also needed: feminine items, toothpaste, deodorant, toothbrushes, soap, etc.

We continue to support Open Door. They have a need for meals on the weekends. We will provide packaged meals to support the weekend feeding program.

If you would like to make donations, please contact the office by phone or email at <u>harrisenachurch@gmail.com</u> or send monetary donations to: Harrisena Community Church, 1616 Ridge Road, Queensbury, NY 12804. Make notation for Missions on the memo line of your check or money order. THANK YOU SO MUCH!

**PRAYER CHAIN:** Do you believe in the power of prayer? Would you like to join others HCC members as we pray together for others? If so, contact Bonnie Nadig and/or contact the church office at harrisenachurch@gmail.com. Join us as we continue to pray for our local and global communities and ourselves.

DRIVE-IN FELLOWSHIP on Sundays in HCC parking lot from 11:00 - 11:30 a.m.

There has been a request that we have a gathering in our cars in the HCC parking lot. People will remain in their cars during this time. If you are interested, let us know. Call and leave a message on the church's phone or

email us. We miss seeing you!

#### **CONVERSATIONS GROUP has been CANCELLED!**

#### IN OUR PRAYERS

Ron Armstrong – The Pines Lillian McDonnell – Glens Falls Center Gordon Wallace, Sr. – Glens Falls Hospital Nancy Wilson – Glens Falls Hospital

Kathleen Dumont

Heather Waldenstrom

Diane Lawson

Jerrod Ogden

Donna Skoll

#### HOME/HOSPITAL (HOSPICE\*)

Sally Busteed Beth Hinckle Amy Ledford-Austin Tom St. Clair Edward Thompson Kenny Wendell

Peter Caswell Teagan Klingenburg McKenzie Monroe Lynn Sawyer Kay Tokarz

#### HOME

| Christine Burke                              | Pattie Chapman       | Ruth Daggs        |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Kimberly Deeken                              | Abigail Evans        | Ken Eshilmen      |
| Shaelyn Fitzgerald                           | Colin Fuller         | Rev. Patti Girard |
| Jim Harney                                   | Jane Lis             | PamiMaack         |
| Robert Marshall                              | Phil Nadig           | Art Norton        |
| Marilyn Pagliuco                             | Diane Parry          | Carmen Rivera     |
| Anne RizziKieara Robinson Marie Scarselletta |                      |                   |
| Susan Shoemaker                              | <b>Richard Smith</b> | Phyllis Straut    |
| Renee Straut                                 | Linda Tripp          |                   |

#### UNSPOKEN PRAYERS (UPDATED WEEKLY): 58

We would like to express our heartfelt condolences to the family of Robert Straut, Sr. You are in our thoughts and prayers. May God bless and keep you, always. We love you!

#### **PRAYER REQUEST FORM**

Use this form to list your request.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

PERSON REASON

WHERE: Hospital,

Home/Hospital, Home

#### Your Name & Phone #\_\_\_\_\_

If you would like a card sent, please include the ADDRESS below:

Or check the box for -Call me for Address.

\*Type of Card: "Get Well," "Sympathy," "Thinking of You," Congratulations," other\_\_\_\_\_

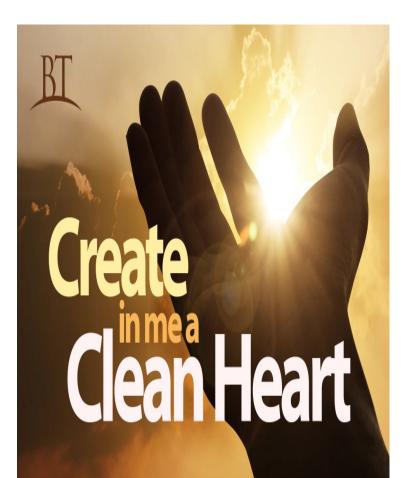
\*If you would like your request on the LONG-TERM PRAYERS, please place a large LT at top of form.

\**If you would like a* **Visit, Transportation**, or **Meals** from *HELPING HANDS*, please **check here:** 

**\*\*Please update your Prayer Concerns in a timely manner. Send information to the Office by mail or call, 518-792-1902.***Thank you.* 

## GIVE ME A CLEAN HEART

Give me a clean heart so I may serve thee. Lord, fix my heart so that I may be used by thee. For I'm not worthy of all those blessings. Give me a clean heart, and I'll follow thee.\*





#### The Lord is My Banner

"And Moses built an altar and named it 'The LORD is my Banner."-Exodus 17:15

When Israel faced the Amalekites in battle at Rephidim it wasn't with overwhelming force, an experienced army, or the best commanders. It was as a transient tribe of herdsmen escaping slavery in Egypt and travelling uncertainly to a promised land they hadn't seen in over four hundred years. They were trespassers travelling through the lands of fierce fighting peoples. They travelled with women, children, herds, and all their possessions. The battle was for survival, for hope, for a future.

But they travelled with something else too, something else that no other nation on earth had – a pillar of fire, a cloud of smoke, the very presence of God. Israel did not fight its battles alone. No matter how inexperienced or overmatched they were they were never the underdogs. No matter how desperate they felt they were never at a loss. The great general, the perfect protector, the LORD was with them. The very name used in Scripture is Jehovah Nissi - "the Lord is my banner."

During the wake of the most recent pandemic, COVID-19, we remember that God is with us as we stay strong, healthy AND take the proper precautions. As God showed the nation of Israel that they were not alone in the battle. We must also remember that God is with us and that God is our banner. The Lord was with them, fought for them, protected and conquered on their behalf, and was their banner. The Lord is with us.

As a faith community, let us pray with confidence for those affected by COVID-19, the coronavirus. As new cases of the coronavirus are reported in other countries and have recently been rising across the United States, let us pray for the recovery of those who are ill, the medical teams caring for the sick, those working to develop a vaccine, those who keep us informed about proper precautions and our part in alleviating COVID-19.

#### I have listed below guidelines provided by the **Center for Disease Control and Prevention, NYS Department of Health and the US Department of Health and Human Services:**

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcoholbased hand sanitizer with 60%-95% alcohol.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your bent elbow when you cough or sneeze.
- Routinely clean frequently touched objects.
- Maintain at least 6 feet between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Stay home and self-isolate from others in the household if you feel sick
- If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical care early.

# SOCIAL DISTANCING IS NOT SPIRITUAL DISTANCING!

**PRAY** for your community, your friends, your family and the world.**READ** the sacred text, **The Holy Bible**.

# SOCIAL DISTANCING IS NOT EMOTIONAL DISTANCING!

**REACH OUT** to neighbors, friends, and family by phone, email, USPS letters, cards and notes.

# SOCIAL DISTANCING IS NOT PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTANCING!

### JOURNAL

WRITE down your hopes and dreams for this time.

### **DEVELOP** a **DAILY GRATITUDE**LIST.

**LETTERS OF RECONCILIATION**: Write letters to members of your family and close friends that help you resolve conflict and/or reconcile relationships.