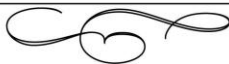
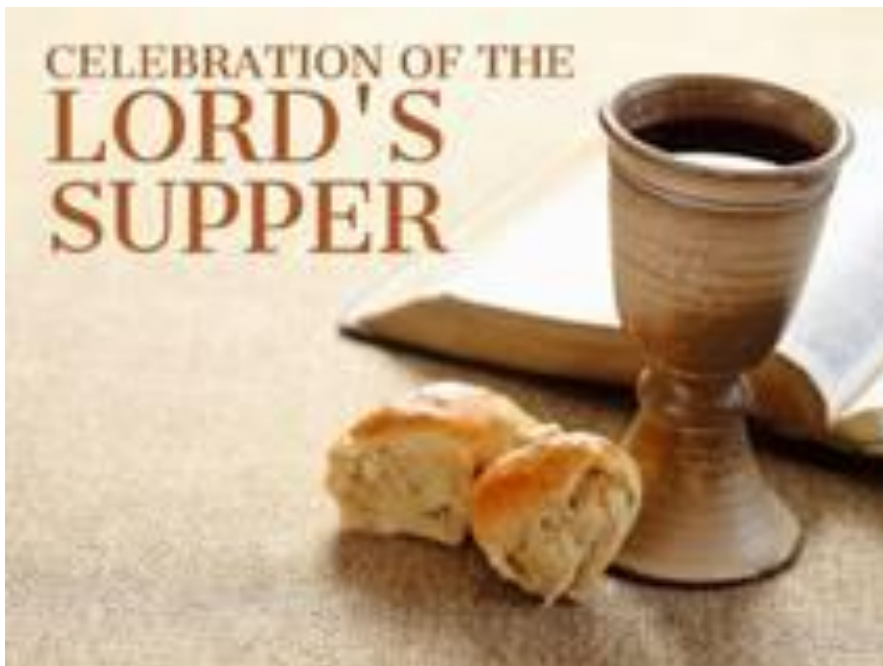


# *The Church in Brielle*

A Congregation of the Reformed Church in America



*Center for Spiritual Wellness*



May 5, 2019

## **WELCOME!**

Please accept a special welcome to this service of worship. God has gathered us as his people and we pray the worship hour will bring refreshment, renewal and inspiration. Guests are encouraged to fill out the *Welcome cards* found in the pew racks. Prayer requests can be written on the flip side of those cards and placed in the collection plate. We will include your prayers in today's service. Please join us for fellowship at our coffee hour following the service. Nursery care (up to 3 yrs. old) and Sunday School are offered during the worship hour. If you are not sure where to find these services, please speak with the usher.

**Please silence your cell phone when entering the sanctuary**  
Large Print Bulletins Are Available From The Ushers

# *Third Sunday of Easter*

*10:00 am*

## **Prelude**

## **Welcoming, Announcements & Greeting**

**Introit** *“Surely, the Presence of the Lord is in this Place”*

## **Call to Worship:**

People of God, we gather here this day to worship our God.

God knows our faith and our fears.

Go understands our assurances and our questions.

Regardless of our faith and fears, our assurances and questions, may God reveal to us God’s own love and presence in all our confidence and doubts.

Let us come into the renewing presence of God, daring God to meet us and surprise us with God’s own presence.

In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, who baffles us by rising from the dead.

Amen!

♪**Song of Praise:** *(please stand)* **“The Power of Your Love”**

## **Children’s Message:**

Don Van Antwerpen

## **Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings**

## **Anthem**

## **Prayer of Dedication:**

**Awesome God of redeeming love and transforming faith, we are claimed by you to be your holy people, and called by you to be your ambassadors of a Kingdom that is pressing in on all sides around us...**

**freeing the enslaved, redeeming the lost,  
healing the broken, liberating the captives  
and opening the eyes of ignorance and doubt.**

*(continued on next page)*

**Because your Kingdom will come and your will shall be done on earth as it is in heaven, we give because we wholeheartedly jump into your Kingdom plan.**

**So, we ask in faith that you would bless us, this offering, and its investment into your Kingdom agenda, so that your kingdom comes, and your will is done.**

**In the name of the Risen Lord, we pray. Amen!**

♪ **Doxology: #809** *(please stand)*

***Nursery care is available for children through 4 years old, but the older children will remain in the service so they will be present for the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.***

♪ **Hymn #782:** *(seated)* **“Come, Share the Lord”**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**The Gospel Reading:** John 20:19-29 Austin Ensor  
*(Page 119 in the New Testament section of your pew Bible.)*

Response to the Lesson: Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.  
All: **Thanks be to God**

**Sermon:** “God of Surprise” Reverend Louis J. LaFazia

**Prayers of Thanksgiving and Concern and The Lord's Prayer**

**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

♪ **Hymn #514:** *(please stand)* **“Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine”**

**Benediction** *(please remain standing)*

**Postlude**

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**Our Kingdom Goals**

**Maximizing the use of our Church Facility**

Stephen Husarik and Ken Olenyik

**Youth, Young Adults and Families**

Don Van Antwerpen, John Linfante, Allison Devereux, Pam Bachler,  
Shannon Nish and Tamara Christiani

**Expand our Mission and Outreach**

Mission and Outreach Ministry under the leadership of Candace Moose

**Provide Support and Counseling Opportunities for our Congregation  
and our Community**

Candace Moose

**Offer Opportunities to Grow the Spiritual and Physical Health of our  
Congregation and our Community**

Lisa Clark and Allison Devereux

**NOTES**