

September 12, 2021, 11am  
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

*All unvaccinated people must wear a facemask covering mouth and nose. The CDC, Cattaraugus County Health Department and Session are currently recommending everyone to wear a facemask while inside.*

God is Good

**Everyday**

And Everyday

**God is Good**

Call to Worship

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it;

**the world and those who live in it.**

O praise the Lord with me,

**let us exalt God's name together.**

Invitation to Discipleship

If you need a community to belong to, if you are thirsty for the word of life and want to live as a disciple of Jesus, join us in his ministry and mission. You are welcome and needed here.

Opening Prayer

**Lord Jesus, give us the honesty to admit our need. Make us bold to reach out for help when we are down and desperate and instill in us boldness to believe that your love is sufficient for our need and your grace reaches out to us in our desperation. Amen.**

Childrens Time

\*Opening Hymn ~ *Will You Come and Follow Me* ~ No. 726

“Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?

Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?”

“Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?

Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?

Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?

Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?”

“Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?”

“Will you love the ‘you’ you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?”

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

## Prayers of the People

### Anthem

### Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture Reading

#### *Deuteronomy 6*

<sup>4</sup>Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. <sup>5</sup>You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. <sup>6</sup>Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. <sup>7</sup>Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. <sup>8</sup>Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, <sup>9</sup>and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

### Gospel Reading

#### *John 1*

<sup>35</sup>The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, “Look, here is the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, “What are you looking for?” They said to him, “Rabbi” (which translated means Teacher), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup>He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o’clock in the afternoon. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which is translated Anointed). <sup>42</sup>He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, “You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter).

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The Word of God  
**The Word of Life**

Message

The Lord's Table

Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is right and our great delight to praise you, O God.

In the beginning of time, you called forth life. You formed us in your image, inviting us to love and serve you.

Foolishly we turned from you and abandoned your ways of justice and mercy. Yet you did not reject us, but continued to call us and claim us as your own.

We were slaves in Egypt, and you freed us.

We were hungry and thirsty in the wilderness,  
and you nourished us with manna and water from the rock.

We had no home, and you led us into the land of your promise.

We worshiped idols of our own making,

and you called to us through the prophets to turn back to you.

At last you come to us in Jesus with the invitation, "Follow me."

Therefore we praise you,

joining our voices with choirs of angels  
and with all the faithful of every time and place,  
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest!**

You are holy, O God of power and might,  
and blessed is Jesus Christ, the one who comes in your name.

In his life, he called unlikely people to follow him: And now he invites us, "Follow me."

As we respond to his invitation let us pray as he taught.

**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.**

Sharing Bread and Cup

\*Hymn ~ *Jesus Calls Us* ~ No. 720

Jesus calls us: o'er the tumult  
of our life's wild, restless sea;  
day by day his sweet voice soundeth  
saying, "Christian, follow me."

Jesus calls us from the worship  
of the vain world's golden store,  
from each idol that would keep us,  
saying, "Christian, love me more."

In our joys and in our sorrows,  
days of toil and hours of ease,  
still he calls, in cares and pleasures,  
"Christian, love me more than these."

Jesus calls us: by thy mercies,  
Savior, may we hear thy call,  
give our hearts to thy obedience,  
serve and love thee best of all.

Blessing

Postlude

## Coffee Hour

(Music permission by One License: 734848-A)

## Prayer List

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|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Martin Hatch            | Frank Jester    | Kim Klein       |
| Barb & Chuck Compher    | Chris Gruver    | Chase Ewoldt    |
| John Depew              | Matt Isenberg   | Avrie Sinesiou  |
| Lewis Christman         | Amanda Waterman | Mary Daugherty  |
| Michael Ahrens & Family | Abigail Craner  | Gretchen Randon |
| Colt Matz               | Craig Polson    | Renee Ensell    |
| Ted Norton              |                 |                 |

*\*\*Please let the office know who can be removed and who needs to be added.  
Thank you for your help! \*\**

Happy Birthday to:  
15 ~ Bryan Petryszak

## CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 9/12/21

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| Sunday – Sept. 12    | 9:35am Adult Discussion<br>11am Worship  |
| Monday – Sept. 13    | 7pm Deacons Meeting  |
| Tuesday – Sept. 14   | 6:30pm Scouts in basement  |
| Wednesday – Sept. 15 | Noon PW Meeting  |
| Thursday – Sept. 16  | 6pm Scouts in basement<br>6:30pm Vespers<br>7:15pm Choir Practice              |
| Friday – Sept. 17    | 10am Coffee & Conversation<br>at Tim Horton's on N. Union St.<br>7pm Bird Club |
| Sunday – Sept. 19    | 9:35am Adult Discussion<br>11am Worship ~ Rev. Dr. Heather McDivitt            |

*If you wish to speak with Pastor Bruce, please call 716-378-6773.*