May 15, 2022, 11 am Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

Choral Introit

God is Good Everyday And Everyday God is Good

Call to Worship

When you collect the bounty given to you by God,
We will leave some for others.
When you deal with your neighbors,
We will judge in righteousness.
When you reason with your neighbor,
We will love our neighbors as ourselves.

Prayer  $\sim$  (Rom. 5:3-5)

And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope: and hope maketh not ashamed; because the Love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Children's Time

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. Hymn ~ *Fill My Cup* ~ No. 699 (*Refrain*) Fill my cup; let it overflow; Fill my cup; let it overflow; Fill my cup; let it overflow; Let it overflow with love.

> Lord, let me be your instrument, Spreading sunshine in the land; Let people see your works in me; Help me live the best I can. (*Refrain*)

It's my desire to live for you And to always walk upright; Give me the strength face each day; Stay with me through each dark night. (*Refrain*)

### Prayers of the People

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.

Presentation of the Offering

#### Doxology $\sim$ No. 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Choral Anthem

Prayer for Illumination

#### Reading

Acts 9:1-22 (KJV)

And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,

<sup>2</sup> And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:

<sup>4</sup>And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

<sup>5</sup> And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

<sup>6</sup> And he trembling and astonished said, Lord, what wilt thou have me to do? And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the city, and it shall be told thee what thou must do.

<sup>7</sup> And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.

<sup>8</sup> And Saul arose from the earth; and when his eyes were opened, he saw no man: but they led him by the hand, and brought him into Damascus.

<sup>9</sup>And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink.

<sup>10</sup> And there was a certain disciple at Damascus, named Ananias; and to him said the Lord in a vision, Ananias. And he said, Behold, I am here, Lord.

<sup>11</sup> And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth,

<sup>12</sup> And hath seen in a vision a man named Ananias coming in, and putting his hand on him, that he might receive his sight.

<sup>13</sup> Then Ananias answered, Lord, I have heard by many of this man, how much evil he hath done to thy saints at Jerusalem:

<sup>14</sup> And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name.

<sup>15</sup> But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:

<sup>16</sup> For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

<sup>17</sup> And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

<sup>18</sup> And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

<sup>19</sup> And when he had received meat, he was strengthened. Then was Saul certain days with the disciples which were at Damascus.

<sup>20</sup> And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.

<sup>21</sup> But all that heard him were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

<sup>22</sup> But Saul increased the more in strength, and confounded the Jews which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is very Christ.

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

Message ~ *Epiphany* ~ Della Moore

Music for meditation

Hymn ~ *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* ~ No. 834 Precious Lord, take my hand; Lead me on, help me stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn. Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the light; Take my hand, precious Lord, Lead me home.

> When my way grows drear, Precious Lord, linger near; When my life is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I fall; Take my hand, precious Lord, Lead me home.

Benediction

Choral Benediction

Postlude

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Today's flowers are given in honor of Steve & Beth (McGonnell) Kalafatich's anniversary, by Mark & Joan McGonnell.

Starting Monday, May 16, the church office will be open and staffed from 10:00 AM until Noon, Monday through Thursday. Phone and email messages left outside of those times will be handled on the next working day.



Prayer List

Margaret Quigley	Emily Kennedy	Matt Isenberg
Amy Trass	Martin Hatch	Craig Polson
David Cross	Colt Matz	Chase Ewoldt
Michael Eade	Barb & Chuck Compher	Avrie Sinesiou
Joseph Kwiatkowski	Kimberley Smith	Gretchen Randon
Dale Isenberg	Michael Ahrens & Family	Renee Ensell

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

Happy Birthday to:Happy Anniversary to:17 ~ Barry Hurley, Diane Trippany15 ~ Beth & Steven Kalafatich20 ~ Jason Braymiller20 ~ Ed & Barb Bigley

#### CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 5/15/22

Sunday – May 15	9:35am Adult Discussion 11am Worship ~ Della Moore, Guest Preacher
Tuesday – May 17	6:30pm Scouts in Basement
Wednesday - May 18	Noon PW Meeting
Thursday – May 19	6:45pm Scouts in Basement 6:45pm Choir
Friday – May 20	7pm Bird Club
Sunday – May 22 <i>Noisy Cans</i>	9:35am Adult Discussion 11am Worship ~ Rev. Aimee Goldmeyer, Guest Preacher

*Please note*: Pastor Bruce is off beginning May 11th through May 22nd. If you wish to speak with Pastor Bruce, please call 716-378-6773.



Join Us For Dinner Out!

Join us at Mickey's on Monday, May 23rd, at 6pm as we share a meal together! Please either add your name to the sign up sheet or call the office to be added.



# **GRADUATE INFORMATION**

The Christian Education Committee is seeking the names of high school and college graduates in our congregation.

If someone in your immediate family is graduating, please fill in the information below. You may put this in the offering plate or drop off in the church office by June 5th.

Graduate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ School Graduating From: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Degree or Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Future Plans:

Submitted By and Relationship to Graduate:

## **ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS!**

Three different scholarships are offered to high school seniors belonging to Olean First Presbyterian Church. For application information please contact Punkie Sinesiou, Christian Education Chair, at 585-968-3217.