

May 22, 2022, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude

Announcements

Noisy Cans (*A collection of change & small bills to support the food pantry*)

Choral Introit

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

God showed Moses the promised land.

God showed John the heavenly city.

The heavenly city shines brighter than the moon or sun

For the glory of God is its light.

God has shown us the way to this city.

Jesus lights our pathway to God. Let us follow.

Opening Prayer

Astonishing God, you give us a vision of the heavenly city, the new Jerusalem, your home among mortals on earth. All people and nations will stream to your city where they will find nourishment, healing, and peace. Even now your blessing shines upon all the earth to help us see a larger vision of your loving care for all creation. And so you call us to move beyond our comfortable circles, and into unfamiliar places, as we seek to share your dream of a world made new in Christ. Amen.

Children's Time

Hymn ~ *God of Grace and God of Glory* ~ No. 307

God of grace and God of glory,

on thy people pour thy power;

crown thine ancient church's story;

bring its bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,

for the facing of this hour,

for the facing of this hour.

Lo! the hosts of evil round us
scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
From the fears that long have bound us
free our hearts to faith and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
for the living of these days,
for the living of these days.

Cure thy children's warring madness;
bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation
to the evils we deplore.
Let the gift of thy salvation
be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by things done and things left undone. We have failed to open our minds and hearts to those who are different from us. At times, we have ignored our neighbors in need and left them hungry, lonely, and scared. Sometimes, we build walls to keep people out of our sacred spaces. Help us see where you are working in the world and inviting us to share our gifts with others. Help us extend kindness, compassion, and hope to all we meet. Amen.

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 ~ 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 ~ *Holy Spirit, Come and Fill Us* ~ J. Martin

Prayer for Illumination

Readings

Acts 16: 9-15

⁹During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us."

¹⁰ When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

¹¹ We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis,

¹² and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.

¹³ On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.

¹⁴ A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.

¹⁵ When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

John 14:23-29

²³Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me.

²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you.

²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

²⁸ You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I am coming to you." If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I.

²⁹ And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe.

Message ~ Rev. Aimee Goldmeyer

Music for Meditation

Hymn ~ *We All Are One in Mission* ~ No. 733

We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.
A single, great commission
compels us from above
to plan and work together
that all may know Christ's love.

We all are called for service
to witness in God's name.
Our ministries are different;
our purpose is the same:
to touch the lives of others
by God's surprising grace,
so every folk and nation
may feel God's warm embrace.

Now let us be united
and let our song be heard.
Now let us be a vessel
for God's redeeming word.
We all are one in mission;
we all are one in call,
our varied gifts united
by Christ, the Lord of all.

Benediction

Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *O Worship the King* ~ L. Smith

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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.

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:

27 ~ Meghan Brenneman

28 ~ Joan Wells, Bev Wright

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 5/22/22

Sunday – May 22	9:35am Adult Discussion
Noisy Cans	11am Worship ~ Rev. Aimee Goldmeyer, Guest Preacher
Monday - May 23	4pm 200th Anniversary Meeting 5pm Burt Meeting 6pm Dinner Out at Mickey's
Tuesday – May 24	6:30pm Scouts in Basement
Wednesday - May 25	6pm Book Club at Perkins
Thursday – May 26	5:30pm Bring Our Own Dinner 6:30pm Vespers 6:45pm Scouts in Basement 7:15pm Bible Study
Friday – May 27	10am Coffee & Conversation at N. Union Tim Hortons
Sunday – May 29	9:35am Adult Discussion 11am Worship

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



CLASS OF 2022

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.