

February 12, 2023, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude ~ *Vocalise* ~ S. Rachmaninoff

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

Choral Introit

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

Happy are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

**Happy are those who keep God's decrees,
who seek the Lord with their whole heart.**

O that my ways may be steadfast
in keeping God's statutes!

**Then I shall not be put to shame,
having my eyes fixed
on the commandments of the Lord.**

Opening prayer

O Lord our God,
you have given us your law
to teach us how to live in peace,
to be faithful in our relationships,
and to be trustworthy in our words.
Help us to take the extra step
in rejecting violence,
loving our neighbors,
and speaking the truth,
that we may be reconciled to you
and to one another;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*The Mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young
people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by
instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.*

The Scout Oath

On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law;
to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally
straight.

The Scout Law

A Scout is: Trustworthy
Loyal
Helpful
Friendly
Courteous
Kind
Obedient
Cheerful
Thrifty
Brave
Clean
Reverent

Children's Time

Hymn ~ *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* ~ No. 475

Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

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

Anthem ~ *All Things Bright and Beautiful* ~ Joh Rutter

Prayer for Illumination ~ No. 455

Listen to the word that God has spoken;
listen to the One who is close at hand;
listen to the voice that began creation;
listen even if you don't understand.

Readings

Psalm 119

¹Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.
²Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart,
³who also do no wrong, but walk in his ways.
⁴You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.
⁵O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes!
⁶Then I shall not be put to shame, having my eyes fixed on all your commandments.
⁷I will praise you with an upright heart, when I learn your righteous ordinances.
⁸I will observe your statutes; do not utterly forsake me.

Matthew 5:21-37

²¹“You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not murder’; and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’ ²²But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, ‘You fool,’ you will be liable to the hell of fire. ²³So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. ²⁵Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. ²⁶Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

²⁷“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall not commit adultery.’ ²⁸But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. ²⁹If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. ³⁰And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell. ³¹“It was also said, ‘Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.’ ³²But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

³³“Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, ‘You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’ ³⁴But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, ³⁵or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. ³⁶And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. ³⁷Let your word be ‘Yes, Yes’ or ‘No, No’; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

The Word of God
The Word of Life

Message

Music for meditation

Hymn ~ *Kum ba Yah* ~ No. 472

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!
Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!
Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah!
O Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone’s crying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone’s crying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone’s crying, Lord, kum ba yah!
O Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone’s singing, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone’s singing, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone’s singing, Lord, kum ba yah!
O Lord, kum ba yah!

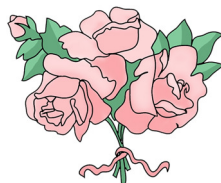
Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah!
Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah!
O Lord, kum ba yah!

Benediction

Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Psalm 19* ~ Benedetto Marcello

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In memory of our mothers, Ruth Smith and Ann Neff.
Loved and missed by Rip & Sandi Smith and family.

Prayer List

Margaret Quigley	Emily Kennedy	Matt Isenberg
Barbara Compher	Martin Hatch	Craig Polson
Joe Gullo	Colt Matz	Chase Ewoldt
Dale Isenberg	Diane Trippany	Avrie Sinesiou
Joseph Kwiatkowski	Alyssa Daly and Family	Gretchen Randon
Amy Ruland	Punkie Sinesiou	Renee Ensell

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

Christian sympathy is shared with Janie Pitcher and her family on the death of her brother David.

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 2/12/23

Sunday – Feb. 12	9:30am Sunday Bible Study 11am Worship ~ Scout Sunday Noon ~ Deacons Meeting
Tuesday - Feb. 14	6:30pm Scouts
Thursday - Feb. 16	5:30pm Bring Your Own Dinner 6:30pm Vespers 6:30 Scouts 7pm Choir 7pm Bible Study
Friday - Feb. 17	10am Coffee and Conversation at North Union Tim Hortons 7pm Bird Club
Sunday – Feb. 19	9:30am Sunday Bible School 11am Worship

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



Dinner Out

**Monday, February 20th at
5:30pm at Sprague's**

**Join us for food, fellowship
and fun!**



**Join us at 7pm on
February 22nd for an
Ash Wednesday Service in**