

March 5 2023, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude ~ *Jesu, meine Freude* ~ J. S. Bach

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

Choral Introit

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

I lift up my eyes to the hills—

from where will my help come?

My help comes from the Lord,

who made heaven and earth.

Opening prayer

O Lord,

as we gather here to worship in this place,

assure us of your presence through the Holy Spirit,

that we may be led to follow you

this day and always.

In the name of Christ we pray. Amen.

Children's Time

Hymn ~ *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* ~ No. 611

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,

God of glory, Lord of love!

Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,

opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;

drive the dark of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness,

fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee;

earth and heaven reflect thy rays;

stars and angels sing around thee,

center of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain,

flowery meadow, flashing sea,

chanting bird and flowing fountain,

call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus
which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o'er us,
joining all in heaven's plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.

Presentation of the Offering ~ *Loose offerings on Communion Sunday support the Deacons' missions.*

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 ~ *Two Communion Meditation* ~ Jay Althouse

Prayers of the People

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 ~

Philippians 1:3-11

³I thank my God for every remembrance of you, ⁴always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy ⁵for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart, for all of you are my partners in God's grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the tender affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰to help you to determine what really matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

Matthew 6:5-8

⁵“And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. ⁶But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

⁷“When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him.

The Word of God
The Word of Life

Message

Music for meditation

The Lord's table

Great 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 truly right and our greatest joy
to give you thanks and praise,
O God of mercy and might.
In your wisdom, you made all things
and sustain them by your power.
You have called forth men and women in every age
to be your servants and speak your word.
When we rebelled against your call
and turned from your ways,
in your love you called us back to you.
You delivered us from captivity,
and made covenant to be our sovereign God.
You sent prophets to call us to justice and compassion.
Therefore we praise you,
joining our voices with the choirs of heaven
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 majesty,
and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord,
in whom you have revealed yourself,
our light and our salvation.

Baptized in Jordan's waters,
Jesus took his place with sinners
and your voice proclaimed him your beloved.
Your Spirit anointed him
to bring good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives,
to restore sight to the blind,
to free the oppressed.
He lived among us in power and grace,
touching broken lives with your healing peace.
By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection
you gave birth to your church,
and made with us a new covenant
by water and the Spirit.
O God, as you once claimed us in the Spirit's waters
and number us among your own beloved,
give us power to do your work, to show your love,
and to live holy and joyful lives.
Keep us faithful in your service
until Christ comes in final victory
and we shall feast with all your saints
in the joy of your eternal realm.
Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
We pray the prayer 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.

The Communion of the People

Closing Hymn ~ *We Praise You, O God* ~ No. 612

We praise you, O God,
our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion
our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you;
we kneel and adore you;
we bless your holy name;
glad praises we sing.

We worship you, God of
our fathers and mothers;
through trial and tempest
our guide you have been.
When perils o'take us,
you will not forsake us,
and with your help, O Lord,
our struggles we win.

With voices united
our praises we offer
and gladly our songs of
thanksgiving we raise.
With you, Lord, beside us,
your strong arm will guide us.
To you, our great Redeemer,
forever be praise!

Benediction

Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Vater unser* ~ J. S. Bach

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*Today's flowers are giving in loving memory
of my parents, Lucille and Richard Galey,
by Martha Nenno.*



Time to Restock the Freezer

Our freezer is in need of baked goods for Coffee Hour. If you're baking (or out shopping) and would like to contribute something for a future Coffee Hour, we would appreciate it! Please bring your goodies packaged and prepared to go straight into the freezer. Thank you in advance!

Dinner Out
Wednesday, March 29th, 5:30pm
at Grand Slam



Join us for food, fellowship and fun!

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! ***

Happy Birthday to:

8 ~ Ryan Evans

11 ~ Kara (McGonnell) Miller

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 3/5/23

Sunday – March 5	9:30am Sunday Bible Study 11am Worship ~ Communion Noon Potluck Lunch
Monday - March 6	5pm Session
Tuesday - March 7	6:30pm Scouts
Wednesday - March 8	5:30pm CE Meeting 7pm MEF Meeting
Thursday - March 9	5:30pm Bring Your Own Dinner 6:30pm Vespers 6:30 Scouts 7pm Choir 7pm Bible Study
Friday - March 10	10am Coffee and Conversation at North Union Tim Hortons 7:30pm Fish Club
Saturday - March 11	2pm Wada Concert
Sunday – March 12	9:30am Sunday Bible School 11am Worship

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