

May 19, 2024, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church



Prelude ~ *Prelude Sombre* ~ Gordon Young

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

*Please sign the friendship pads and include your contact info, email, phone, and text.
We want to make sure we can better communicate with you.*

Choral Introit

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

Come! Let us speak plainly and boldly of our faith.

**The Spirit of God descends upon us,
and Christ's promise to us is fulfilled.**

The expression of the Spirit's power
in our community is a wonder to behold.

**We each have a different voice,
yet we witness God's joy together! Amen.**

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, you come among your people as One who fashioned all things,
who, face-to-face, revealed your knowledge of our lives, and whose presence brings assurance and hope. Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love so that in hearing and seeing the gifts of this life, we may know the way to live in thanksgiving; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Hymn ~ *For the Beauty of the Earth* ~ No. 14

For the beauty of the earth,
for the glory of the skies,
for the love which from our birth
over and around us lies:

Refrain:

Lord of all, to thee we raise
this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale, and tree and flower,
sun and moon, and stars of light: (*Refrain*)

For the joy of ear and eye,
for the heart and mind's delight,
for the mystic harmony
linking sense to sound and sight: (*Refrain*)

For the joy of human love,
brother, sister, parent, child,
friends on earth, and friends above,
for all gentle thoughts and mild: (*Refrain*)

For thyself, best gift divine
to the world so freely given;
for that great, great love of thine,
peace on earth and joy in heaven: (*Refrain*)

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

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 ~ Pentecost offering received today

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 ~ *Trust and Obey* ~ Daniel Towner

The Passing of the Peace

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

Pslam 104:24-35

²⁴O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

²⁵Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.

²⁶There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.

²⁷These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

²⁸when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

²⁹When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

³⁰When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.

³¹May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—

³²who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke.

³³I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

³⁴May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

³⁵Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

Acts 2:1-21

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷“In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. ¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

The Word of God
The Word of Life

Message

Music for Meditation ~ *Walla-Kye* ~ Mana-Zucca (no applause, please)
David Battistoni, Saxophone

Hymn ~ *All Things Bright and Beautiful* ~ No. 20

Refrain:

All things bright and beautiful,
all creatures great and small,
all things wise and wonderful,
the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens,
each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors;
God made their tiny wings. (*Refrain*)

The purple-headed mountain,
the river running by,
the sunset, and the morning
that brightens up the sky: (*Refrain*)

The cold wind in the winter,
the pleasant summer sun,
the ripe fruits in the garden,
God made them every one. (*Refrain*)

God gave us eyes to see them,
and lips that we might tell
how great is God Almighty,
who has made all things well. (*Refrain*)

Benediction

Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Fanfare on an Original Theme* ~ Gilbert Mastin

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Today's Liturgist is Marlene Lang.

Today's Greeters are Louie McClure and Sandi Smith.

Today's Ushers are Gary Gruver and Dave Shults.

Thank you to the Sunday School for leading Worship today!



During the month of May, First Presbyterian Church will be collecting diapers for Operation Warm Hearts of Olean, a nonprofit providing new clothing, books, and hygiene and personal supplies to children birth to 18. Please bring in packages of diapers (especially needed are sizes Newborn through 5). Our goal is to collect 50 packages of diapers—enough to supply a month's worth of diapers for each child!

Did you know...

~ one in three children under the age of 3 live in families struggling to make ends meet?

~ disposable diapers are required for daycare and that a national survey says working parents miss, on average, four days of work a month due to a shortage of diapers?

Prayer List

Margaret Quigley	Emily Kennedy	Matt Isenberg
Judy Sanchez	Martin Hatch	Craig Polson
Joe Gullo	David	Chase Ewoldt
Dale Isenberg	Diane Trippany	Avrie Sinesiou
Joseph Kwiatkowski	Alyssa Daly and Family	Renee Ensell
Ken Stebbins	Punkie & Craig Sinesiou	Kim Whitney
Judi Blair	Barbara Compher	Carol Bess
Thomas Burian	Warren Hauser	Kay Allin

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

Happy Anniversary to:
20 ~ Ed & Barb Bigley

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 5/19/24

- Sunday – May 19 9:30am Bible Study
11am Worship, Sunday School leading Worship
- Tuesday - May 21 10am Brunch at La Dolce Vita
6:30pm Scouts
- Wednesday - May 22 4pm Burt Meeting
5pm Book Club at Perkins
- Thursday - May 23 4pm Worship Team
5:30pm Bring Your Own Dinner
6:30pm Vespers
7pm Choir
7pm Bible Study
- Friday - May 24 10am Coffee & Conversation at N Union Tim Hortons
- Sunday – May 26 9:30am Bible Study
Noisy Cans 11am Worship, Cynthia Wickwire Lundquist preaching

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