

June 2, 2024, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude ~ *Priere a Notre Dame* ~ L. Boellmann

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

Choral Introit

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship ~

The God who has searched us and knows us,
who is acquainted with all our ways,
that God calls us each by name.

Speak, Holy One, your servants are listening!

The God who liberated slaves from Egypt,
the Lord of the Sabbath who bids us rest,
that God empowers us
to make Jesus' life visible in our very bodies.

Speak, Holy One, your servants are listening!

Let us sing aloud to God, our strength,
and shout for joy to the God of Jacob.

Opening prayer

O God of Creation and Sabbath, You know us better than we know ourselves.
You formed our inward parts and wrote the book of all our days; you made the Sabbath for us and revealed to us your glory and our identity in the face of Jesus Christ, who healed and fed his people. May we accept your invitation to Sabbath rest, not a rest that comes after all that we can accomplish, but the rest of those who have been set free, even as you bring about a world in which all creation can cease from striving, through the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Children's Time

*Hymn ~ *Sing Glory to the Name of God* ~ No. 10

Sing glory to the name of God,
whose holy splendor shines abroad.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Enthroned above the crashing waves,
the God of grace and glory saves.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The name of God is full of might:
resounding thunder, flashing light.
Alleluia, alleluia!

The wilderness cannot contain
the echoes of the great refrain:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The name of God is wild and free,
awhirl in holy mystery.
Alleluia, alleluia!
A secret wrapped in smoke and fire,
still chanted by the temple choir:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

May God forever be our peace;
may hymns of glory never cease:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Let all the faithful people come;
sing praise to God, the Three-in-One:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Reception of New Members
Christine Barardi
Kathleen Jahnke

Prayers of the People

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 ~ *For the Joy of Music* ~ Natalie Sleeth

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

Deuteronomy 5:12-15

¹²Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. ¹³Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁴But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. ¹⁵Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Mark 2:23-3:6

²³One sabbath he was going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. ²⁴The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" ²⁵And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? ²⁶He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." ²⁷Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; ²⁸so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

¹Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. ²They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. ³And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." ⁴Then he said to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. ⁵He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. ⁶The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

The Word of God
The Word of Life

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

Thank you for your faithfulness from generation to generation and especially for the gift of your son, Jesus Christ. He walks with us along the way and fills our hearts with love. He breaks bread with us and opens our lives to experience grace. He covers us with healing and pours out love with abandon

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

Prayer after Communion

*Hymn ~ *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* ~ No. 688

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;
stoop to my weakness, mighty as thou art,
and make me love thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies,
no sudden rending of the veil of clay,
no angel visitant, no opening skies;
but take the dimness of my soul away.

Hast thou not bid us love thee, God and King;
all, all thine own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
I see thy cross; there teach my heart to cling.
O let me seek thee, and O let me find!

Teach me to feel that thou art always nigh.
Teach me the struggles of the soul to bear,
to check the rising doubt, the rebel sigh.
Teach me the patience of unanswered prayer.

Teach me to love thee as thine angels love,
one holy passion filling all my frame;
the baptism of the heaven-descended Dove,
my heart an altar, and thy love the flame.

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Largo* ~ G.F. Handel

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Today's Greeters are Susan Hausman and Cindy Dutton.

Today's Liturgist is Karen Bowersox.

Today's Ushers are Martha Nenno and Joan McGonnell.



Today's flowers are given by Rip and Sandi Smith.

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 Birthday to:

3 ~ Colin Evans

6 ~ Mark Harris

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 6/2/24

Sunday – June 2 <i>Communion Sunday</i>	9:30am Bible Study 10:15am Session Meeting 11am Worship
Monday - June 3	4pm Session Meeting
Wednesday - June 5	5pm Dinner Out at Angees
Thursday - June 6	5:30pm Bring Your Own Dinner 6:30pm Vespers 7pm Choir 7pm Bible Study
Friday - June 7	10am Coffee & Conversation at N Union Tim Hortons
Sunday – June 9	9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship ~ Youth Sunday Noon Potluck Lunch

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