

September 22, 2024, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude ~ *Offertoire* ~ Theodore DuBois

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 communicate better with you.*

Noisy Can ~ *A collection of small bills and change to support the Olean Food Pantry.*

Choral Introit

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

In this time set apart for worship,
the Holy Spirit invites us:

Draw near to God,

who is steady and sure.

Draw near to God,

who welcomes those often overlooked.

Draw near to God,

who draws us together,
threads woven in a shared fabric of faith.

Let us worship the Lord!

Opening Prayer

It says in the Bible, O God, that you created the world through your Word. Your Word is powerful! And so are our words. They can heal, create a smile, be a declaration of love; but they can also hurt and destroy a sense of self-worth. Give us your wisdom, God of the Word, so that as a church and as individuals, we use our words to build up and not to destroy. **Amen.**

Children's Time

*Hymn ~ *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* ~ No. 263

All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!
Bring forth the royal diadem,
and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
ye ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe
on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!
To him all majesty ascribe,
and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all!
We'll join the everlasting song,
and crown him Lord of all!

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.

Minute for Mission ~ Chris Norton, Peace and Global Witness

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 ~ *Wonder, Love and Praise* ~ Ray Hatton

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

Psalm 54

¹Save me, O God, by your name, and vindicate me by your might.

²Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.

³For the insolent have risen against me, the ruthless seek my life; they do not set God before them. Selah

⁴But surely, God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life.

⁵He will repay my enemies for their evil. In your faithfulness, put an end to them.

⁶With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you; I will give thanks to your name, O LORD, for it is good.

⁷For he has delivered me from every trouble, and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.

Mark 9:30-37

³⁰They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it;

³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again."

³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

The Word of God

The Word of Life

Message

Music for meditation

*Hymn ~ *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky* ~ No. 69

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? (*Refrain*)

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? (*Refrain*)

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Psalm 19* ~ Benedetto Marcello

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Today's Ushers are Chris Burton and Louie McClure.

Today's flowers are given in loving memory of my brother,
Jeremiah Dahlgren given by John Dahlgren.



Dinner Out at Moonwinks

September 24th at 5pm

Join us for food, fellowship and fun!
Sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall.

Articles and events for the October
newsletter and calendar are due
Monday, September 23rd.



This is a QR Code that will take you to the Compelling
Preaching survey that Pastor Bruce has been talking
about. You may use this or the link provided in the
emails and texts.

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	Sylvia Lynch	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:

27 ~ Lanna Waterman, Sean Evans

28 ~ Mark Bowersox, Barbara Busack

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 9/22/24

Sunday – Sept 22	9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship
Tuesday - Sept 24	5pm Dinner Out at Moonwinks 6:30pm Scouts
Wednesday - Sept 25	5pm Book Club at Perkins
Thursday - Sept 26	4pm Worship Team Meeting 5pm Finance Meeting 5:30pm Bring Your Own Dinner 6:30pm Vespers 6:30pm Scouts 7pm Choir 7pm Bible Study
Friday - Sept 27	10am Coffee & Conversation at N Union Tim Hortons
Sunday – Sept 29	9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship

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