

October 6, 2024, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude ~ *Priere* ~ Jean Langlais

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.*

Thank you for Participating in the Compelling Preaching research project.

Choral Introit

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

**Our creator promised from the beginning
that we would not be alone.**

How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

**Our redeemer proclaimed
that everyone is welcome.**

How majestic is God's name in all the earth!

Our sustainer speaks to us still.

Opening Prayer

God of courage, give us the strength to speak out for people in need. Help us to believe that you are still present and active in this world and that your grace remains as an everlasting force in our lives. In Jesus Christ we pray. **Amen.**

Children's Time

*Hymn ~ *You Who Dwell in the Shelter of the Lord* ~ No. 43

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
who abide in his shadow for life,
say to the Lord, "My refuge,
my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain:

And he will raise you up on eagles' wings,
bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun,
and hold you in the palm of his hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
and famine will bring you no fear:
under his wings, your refuge,
his faithfulness your shield. (*Refrain*)

You need not fear the terror of the night,
nor the arrow that flies by day;
though thousands fall about you,
near you it shall not come. (*Refrain*)

For to his angels he's given a command
to guard you in all of your ways;
upon their hands they will bear you up,
lest you dash your foot against a stone. (*Refrain*)

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 ~ *All Good Gifts* ~ 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

Psalm 8

¹O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

²Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger.

³When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established;

⁴what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?

⁵Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.

⁶You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet,

⁷all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field,

⁸the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

⁹O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Mark 10:1-16

¹He left that place and went to the region of Judea and beyond the Jordan. And crowds again gathered around him, and, as was his custom, he again taught them.

²Some Pharisees came, and to test him they asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?” ³He answered them, “What did Moses command you?” ⁴They said, “Moses allowed a man to write a certificate of dismissal and to divorce her.” ⁵But Jesus said to them, “Because of your hardness of heart he wrote this commandment for you. ⁶But from the beginning of creation, ‘God made them male and female.’ ⁷For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, ⁸and the two shall become one flesh.’ So they are no longer two, but one flesh. ⁹Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

¹⁰Then in the house the disciples asked him again about this matter. ¹¹He said to them, “Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; ¹²and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery.”

¹³People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

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**

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 ~*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* ~ No. 275

A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing.
Our helper he, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
doth seek to work us woe.
His craft and power are great,
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing,
were not the right man on our side,
the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?
Christ Jesus, it is he.
Lord Sabaoth his name,
from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled,
should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed
his truth to triumph through us.
The Prince of Darkness grim,
we tremble not for him.
His rage we can endure,
for lo, his doom is sure.
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly powers,
no thanks to them, abideth.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also.
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still.
His kingdom is forever.

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Suite in D* ~ Henry Purcell

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Today's Ushers are Martha Nenno and Joan McGonnell.

Today's Greeter is Nathaniel McClellen.



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.



We would like to encourage using ceramic cups instead of disposable cups during coffee hour and meals. This would decrease cost and trash. Current mugs that are on the mug trees will be placed on trays in Fellowship Hall. If you already have a mug please label it with your name, and hang it on one of the mug trees. If you don't have a mug, you can either bring one in and label it, or you can pick an unused cup, label it, and hang it on one of the mug trees. Disposable cups will remain available as needed.

— Fork — *2nd* — Spoon —
SUNDAY
luncheon

Next Sunday, October 13, is our 2nd Sunday Luncheon. If you are able to, please bring a dish to pass. If not, plan to attend anyway!

Please bring in candy by Sunday, October 27th, for us to hand out on Halloween.



It's baking season!! Baking some goodies - cookies, bread, something else yummy? Why not bake a little extra and donate to our Sunday Coffee hour? Wrap them up for the freezer and label with the date, please. Or did you find a good deal while shopping for goodies? We'll happily accept those too!! MEF thanks you for your generosity!

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:

7 - Molly Petryszak

8 - Peg Darrow

10 - Kathleen Jahnke, Diane Clark

12 - Miles Oncken

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 10/6/24

Sunday – Oct. 6	9:30am Bible Study <i>Communion</i> 11am Worship
Monday - Oct. 7	4pm Session
Tuesday - Oct. 8	6:30pm Scouts
Wednesday - Oct 9	4pm MEF Meeting 5pm CE Meeting
Thursday - Oct. 10	1pm Deacons Meeting 5:30pm Bring Your Own Dinner 6:30pm Vespers 6:30pm Scouts 7pm Choir 7pm Bible Study
Friday - Oct. 11	10am Coffee & Conversation at N Union Tim Hortons 7:30pm Fish Club
Sunday – Oct. 13	9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship Noon Pot Luck Lunch

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