

June 29, 2025, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

We welcome Davis Creach

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

God is our refuge and strength

Our help and our steadfast Rock.

God breathes life into us in the very beginning

And sustains our life with every breath.

Hold fast to the Rock of Ages, all you children of God,

And rejoice that God holds us all in Love.

Let us worship God!

Opening Prayer

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires, known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Declaration of Pardon ~ Ps. 103:17

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. I declare to you, in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

*Hymn ~ *We Gather Together* ~ No. 336

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.
Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
thou, Lord, wast at our side; all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;
thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

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.

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

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 46

¹God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

³though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. Selah

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

⁶The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

⁷The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah

⁸Come, behold the works of the Lord; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

⁹He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰“Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.”

¹¹The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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 ~ *God is With Us*

Music for Meditation

*Hymn ~ *My Country, 'Tis of Thee* ~ No. 337

My country, 'tis of thee,
sweet land of liberty,
of thee I sing:
land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrims' pride,
from every mountainside
let freedom ring.

My native country, thee,
land of the noble free,
thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
thy woods and templed hills;
my heart with rapture thrills
like that above.

Let music swell the breeze,
and ring from all the trees
sweet freedom's song.
Let mortal tongues awake;
let all that breathe partake;
let rocks their silence break,
the sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to thee,
author of liberty,
to thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright
with freedom's holy light;
protect us by thy might,
great God, our King.

*Benediction

Postlude

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**Starting Next Sunday, July 6th,
Summer Worship Time is 10am**



Prayer List

Margaret Quigley	Emily Kennedy	Matt Isenberg
Judy Sanchez	Martin Hatch	Craig Polson
Joe Gullo	Mark Newcomb	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	Bruce Levine
Dee Lorentz	Ron Register	Aileen Abbott

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

Happy Birthday to:

June 30 ~ Marlene Lang

July 5 ~ Nathaniel McClellan

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 6/29/25

Sunday – June 29

11am Worship ~ Davis Creach

Friday - July 4

Happy 4th of July

No Coffee & Conversation

Sunday – July 6

10am Worship

Communion

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

Please note: Pastor Bruce is off from June 28th until July 5th.

Request from PW

Alexus Fisk, who recently moved to California, is expecting a baby girl in November! The Presbyterian Women would like to initiate a card shower to wish her well and help her prepare by sending Walmart gift cards. If you wish to participate, please send your card to:

Alexus Fisk
1545 W. Victoria St.
Rialto, CA 92376



What's Happening This Summer

Tuesday, July 15th

Dinner Out at Napoli's at 5

Thursday, July 31st

Concert in Park at Lincoln Park

Bring your own dinner at 5

Not Norman concert 6-8

Tuesday, August 19th

Dinner Out at Twist and Shake at 5

(Rain alternative Friendly's)