

October 12th, 2025, 11 am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude ~ *Give to Our God Immortal Praise* ~ Wilber Held

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

God is Good

Everyday

And Everyday

God is Good

Call to Worship

Give thanks to the Lord with your whole heart.

Great are the works of the Lord!

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.

Praise God

Call to Confession

Let us come to God and lay our burdens down as we confess our sins.

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, we are still standing in the grace of Christ. Because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the holy spirit, we are set free to love God and neighbor, and to work for the reconciliation of the world. We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God.

Our God Is an Awesome God ~ No. 616

Our God is an awesome God
who reigns from heaven above
with wisdom, power, and love;
our God is an awesome God!

Prayer of the Day

Our God of our Past, Present, and Future, O God our Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer, help us to trust you and live hopeful lives, that we might know you more fully. Amen.

Children's Time

Hymn ~ *Morning Has Broken* ~ No. 664

Morning has broken
like the first morning;
blackbird has spoken
like the first bird.
Praise for the singing!
Praise for the morning!
Praise for them, springing
fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall
sunlit from heaven,
like the first dewfall
on the first grass.
Praise for the sweetness
of the wet garden,
sprung in completeness
where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight!
Mine is the morning,
born of the one light
Eden saw play!
Praise with elation;
praise every morning,
God's re-creation
of the new day!

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

Anthem ~ *Flying Free* ~ Don Besig

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

Mark 7:9-13

⁹Then he said to them, "You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition! ¹⁰For Moses said, 'Honor your father and your mother,' and, 'Whoever speaks evil of father or mother must surely die.' ¹¹But you say that if anyone tells father or mother, 'Whatever support you might have had from me is Corban' (that is, an offering to God), ¹²then you no longer permit doing anything for a father or mother, ¹³thus nullifying the word of God through your tradition that you have handed on. And you do many things like this."

Exodus 20:12

¹² "Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

The Word of God
The Word of Life

Message ~ *Honor your Father and Mother*

Music for Meditation

*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 ~ *God of Grace and God of Glory* ~ Wilbur Held

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Today's flowers are given in loving memory of my parents,
Don and Peg Bergreen, by Betsy and Doug Price.



Plan to stay after worship today
for our pot luck luncheon.
All are welcome!

Prayer List

Joe Hovey	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
Cataleya Casas	Ron Register	Sally Belloli
Jan Norton		

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

Happy Birthday to:

12 ~ Miles Oncken

14 ~ Punkie Sinesiou, Susan Hausman

17 ~ Michaela Bigley

**For those wishing to send a card to Alexis Fisk ~ 1545 W Victoria St.
Rialto, CA 92376**

CHURCH CALENDAR WEEK OF 10/12/25

Sunday - Oct. 12	9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship Noon Pot Luck Lunch
Tuesday - Oct. 14	6:30pm Scouts
Thursday - Oct. 16	5:30pm BYO Dinner 6pm Scouts 6:30pm Vespers 7pm Choir 7pm Bible Study
Friday - Oct. 17	10am Coffee & Conversation at Marlene Lang's 118 Orleans Ave, Olean 5pm Bird Club Dinner
Sunday - Oct. 19	9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship

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

Wednesday, October 22nd at Noon

All women are invited to join us for the first
Presbyterian Women's (PW) meeting of the fall.

We share a brown bag lunch at noon, followed by a brief
meeting. Then Pastor Bruce leads us in a Bible Study.

Usually we meet on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

October is an exception.



**PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN**

**Please bring in candy for us to hand
out Halloween night.
Please bring donations in by
Sunday, October 26th.
Join us Halloween night from
6pm until 8pm.**



The PW Mitten Tree will be up until
Sunday, October 26th. Donations
of mittens, hats, scarves and socks are
appreciated. Collected items will be
donated to the Olean Food Pantry.

**Dinner Out at The Wing
Wednesday, Oct. 22nd at 5pm**

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

