

May 3, 2026, 11am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude ~ *Where There's Love at Home* ~ Roger Wilson

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

*Please sign the ritual of friendship found at the ends of the pews.
If you are new here, we would like to get to know you.*

Choral Introit

God is good

Every day

And every day

God is good

Call to Worship

God is our rock and refuge!

**Nothing can shake me
from God's steadfast love.**

Our God is a fortress of justice!

**No weapons of oppression
can loosen a single brick.**

Prayer of the Day

God, the great architect, designing a world where no one is left out: You established Jesus as the cornerstone for a temple where the Holy Spirit roams freely, going forth to all people.

Redesign our churches and nations to imitate your heavenly temple, where there is no center and no margin. Begin by redesigning our hearts as we worship you this day. Amen.

*Opening Hymn ~ *The Church's One Foundation* ~ No. 321

The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord.

She is his new creation
by water and the word.

From heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride.

With his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth.

One holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder
this world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up: "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore:
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth has union
with God, the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion
with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy!
Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly,
may live eternally.

Call to Confession

Let us come before God in a spirit of confession.

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 Forgiveness

Hear the Good News of the Gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

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!

Children's Time

Prayers of the People

Presentation of the Offering

On Communion Sunday, any loose offerings are given to the Deacons for their missions.

**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 ~ *Go Into the World* ~ Natalie Sleeth

Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

**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.**

Scripture Readings ~

Psalms 119:15-32

25 My soul clings to the dust; revive me according to your word.

26 When I told of my ways, you answered me; teach me your statutes.

27 Make me understand the way of your precepts, and I will meditate on your wondrous works.

28 My soul melts away for sorrow; strengthen me according to your word.

29 Put false ways far from me; and graciously teach me your law.

30 I have chosen the way of faithfulness; I set your ordinances before me.

31 I cling to your decrees, O LORD; let me not be put to shame.

32 I run the way of your commandments, for you enlarge my understanding.

John 14:1-14

14 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. 2 In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also.

4 And you know the way to the place where I am going." 5 Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7 If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." 8 Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." 9 Jesus said to

him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?" 10Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves.

12Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. 13I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

The Word of God
The Word of Life

Message ~ Teddy McClellan

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 ~ *To God Be the Glory* ~ No. 634

To God be the glory;
great things he has done!
So loved he the world
that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life
an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate
that all may go in.

Refrain:

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord;
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord;
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father
through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory:
great things he has done!

Great things he has taught us;
great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing
through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher
and greater will be
our wonder, our transport,
when Jesus we see. (*Refrain*)

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Little Postlude in Bb* ~ Colin Curtis

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New Life & Growth Meeting
TODAY
Following Worship

Minutes from retreat available in
Fellowship Hall.

Join us for

*National Day of Prayer
Noon at Lincoln Park*

ALL are welcome!



*National Day
of Prayer*

Prayer List

Joe Hovey	Emily Kennedy	Matt Isenberg
Judy Sanchez	Martin Hatch	Craig Polson
Joe Gullo	Mark Newcomb	Chase Ewoldt
Sally Belloli	Diane Trippany	Avrie Sinesiou
Joseph Kwiatkowski	Alyssa Daly and Family	Renee Ensell
Ken Stebbins	Punkie & Craig Sinesiou	Kim Whitney
Judi Blair	John & Rachel Wheaton	Carol Bess
Thomas Burian	Sylvia Lynch	Bruce Levine
Cataleya Casas	Ron Register	Dennis Whittaker
Don Caldwell	Phil Smith	

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

Church Calendar for the week of 5/3/26

- Sunday – May 3 9:30am Bible Study
 11am Worship
 Noon New Life & Growth Meeting
 2:30pm Eden Heights Service
- Monday – May 4 4pm Session
- Tuesday – May 5 6:30pm Scouts
- Wednesday – May 6 6:30pm Scouts
- Thursday – May 7 Noon National Day of Prayer at Lincoln Park
 5:30pm BYO Dinner
 6pm Scouts
 6:30pm Vespers
 7pm Bible Study
 7pm Choir
- Friday – May 8 10am Coffee & Conversation at Tim Hortons
 7:30pm Fish Club
- Saturday – May 9 8am Men’s Breakfast at RocketCup Coffee
- Sunday – May 10 9:30am Bible Study
 11am Worship



Birthdays

3 Lucas Burton
 7 Gary Gruver



Anniversaries

3 Mark & Joan McGonnell

Dinner Out at *Angee's*

Monday, May 11th at 5pm

Join us for food, fun, and fellowship!

Sign up in Fellowship Hall.



Please Note:
Potluck Sunday will be the *3rd*
Sunday in May.

Join us Sunday, May 17th after
Worship. Bring something if
you can. Plan to come either
way!

Men's Breakfast

8:30am Saturday, May 9th

RocketCup Coffee

