

May 10, 2026, 11am
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Prelude ~ *Prayer* ~ L. Niedermeyer

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

Jesus said, "If you love me,
you will keep my commandments."

Risen Lord,

give us your Advocate,

the Spirit of truth, to abide in us as we abide in you.

Jesus said, "I will not leave you orphaned;
I am coming to you."

Risen Lord,

we will watch for your coming.

Because you live, we will live in you.

Prayer of the Day

You alone, O Lord, are the Maker of heaven and earth. In you we live and move and have our being. We are your children, and you are our God. Teach us to turn away from false idols and to turn to you in faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who is risen from the dead. Amen.

*Opening 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.

Call to Confession

Let us confess our sins before God, the source of grace and peace.

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: God loves you, and you 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

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.

Update for the Congregation ~ Andrea Oakley

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 ~ *Glory to God Almighty* ~ Jay Althouse

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 ~

Psalm 66

1 Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

2 sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise.

3 Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.

4 All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name." Selah

5 Come and see what God has done: he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.

6 He turned the sea into dry land; they passed through the river on foot. There we rejoiced in him,

7who rules by his might forever, whose eyes keep watch on the nations— let the rebellious not exalt themselves. Selah
8Bless our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard,
9who has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.
10For you, O God, have tested us; you have tried us as silver is tried.
11You brought us into the net; you laid burdens on our backs;
12you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water; yet you have brought us out to a spacious place.
13I will come into your house with burnt offerings; I will pay you my vows,
14those that my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble.
15I will offer to you burnt offerings of fatlings, with the smoke of the sacrifice of rams; I will make an offering of bulls and goats. Selah
16Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for me.
17I cried aloud to him, and he was extolled with my tongue.
18If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.
19But truly God has listened; he has given heed to the words of my prayer.
20Blessed be God, because he has not rejected my prayer or removed his steadfast love from me.

John 14:15-21

15“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. 16And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. 17This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

18“I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. 19In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. 20On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.”

The Word of God
The Word of Life

Message

Music for Meditation

*Hymn ~ *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* ~ No. 366

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion;
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
let us all in thee inherit;
let us find the promised rest.
Take away the love of sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver;
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.

Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude ~ *Grand Choeur* ~ F. Boely

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Please stay after and join us for Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall.



Today's flowers are in loving memory of our mothers, Peg Bergreen

and Millie Price, by Doug and Betsy Price.



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!

Volunteer Opportunity

Harvest Field Café

(soup kitchen type work)

Saturdays June 20th & July 18th

10am – 4pm, 2hr time slots

Sign-up Sheet in

Fellowship Hall



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	Julie Barns

*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 5/10/26

Sunday – May 10	9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship
Monday – May 11	5pm Dinner Out at Angee's
Tuesday – May 12	5pm Burt Meeting 6:30pm Scouts
Wednesday – May 13	4pm MEF Meeting 5pm CE Meeting 6:30pm Scouts
Thursday – May 14	4pm Deacons Meeting 5:30pm BYO Dinner 6pm Scouts 6:30pm Vespers 7pm Bible Study 7pm Choir
Friday – May 10	10am Coffee & Conversation at Tim Hortons 7pm Bird Club
Sunday – May 17	9:30am Bible Study 11am Worship Noon Potluck Lunch



Birthdays

12 Portia Harris, Meredith Lang
14 Phil Smith



Anniversaries

15 Steven & Beth (McGonnell) Kalafatich

Dear Church Family,

We want to share an update about our church directory. In the next few weeks, we'll be moving from our printed directory to **Instant Church Directory** (a secure, members-only directory you can access on a computer, tablet, or smartphone)! We'll take this step slowly and make sure everyone has help.

Why are we making this change? It helps us stay connected, keeps information current, and reduces the need for re-printing.

- **Up to date:** Quick updates to address/phone/email.
- **Easy to use:** Search by name; call or email easily.
- **Works on a computer:** No smartphone required.
- **Printed PDF:** A printed version of the directory will be available to those who prefer it.

What about security and privacy? The directory is not public on the internet—only approved church households can access it. If you have questions or concerns, please reach out to me—I'll be happy to talk through them with you.

Here's what we need from you right now: Please fill out an information form in the **Fellowship Hall** so we can confirm your household details before the directory is released.

Photos: You can send one in, bring one to scan, or we can take a new one:

- Email a photo: oleanfpc@wny.twcbc.com
- Bring a printed photo for me to scan (we'll return it).
- Need a new photo? See Lanna or me.

Help is coming: Once we're ready to release the directory, we'll host a **Tech Day** (after a service) to help you get set up and learn the basics (access on phone/tablet/computer, first-time login, finding families, and privacy questions). If Tech Day doesn't work—or if you'd prefer help one-on-one—I'm happy to meet with you anytime.

Thank you for helping us keep our church family connected. If you have questions about the directory or would like help with the information form, please see me. For photo help, you can see Lanna (or me). We'll share the release date and Tech Day details as soon as everything is ready.

With gratitude,
Andrea