

August 2, 2026, 10am
Rev. Marilyn Hale, Guest Preacher
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Children are always welcome in worship. An asterisk () indicates those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold type** indicates a congregational response.*

Prelude ~ *Brother James' Air* ~ Dale Wood

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

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

God is good

Every day

And every day

God is good

Call to Worship

In this place, in this time of worship,
we feel the presence of God.

In our words, in our song,
we sing the beauty of God.

In each person, in each soul,
we see the face of God.

Prayer of the Day

O God, who calls us to healing and wholeness, prepare our hearts to receive your invitation of restoration - with you, with one another, and with ourselves. Let this time in which we gather be the space where we can wrestle with our questions and our pain, even as we find assurance in your presence and power; for the sake of Christ our Savior. Amen.

*Opening Hymn ~ *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* ~ No. 32

I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day.

The moon shines full at God's command,
and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord
who filled the earth with food.
God formed the creatures through the Word,
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,
Where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread,
or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flower below
but makes thy glories known.
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from thy throne,
while all that borrows life from thee
is ever in thy care,
and everywhere that we can be,
thou, God, art present there.

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!

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

Special Music ~ “Minuet” from *L’Arlesienne Suite* ~ Georges Bizet

Sheryl Soborowski, flute

Rick Snyder, piano

Passing of the Peace

Prayer for Illumination ~ *Listen to the Word That God Has Spoken* ~ 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.

Scripture Readings ~

Isaiah 55:1-5

¹Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.

Matthew 14:13-21

¹³Now when Jesus heard this, he withdrew from there in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. ¹⁵When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶Jesus said to them, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They replied, “We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

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 ~ *Breathe on Me, Breath of God* ~ No. 286

Breathe on me, Breath of God;
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with thee I will one will,
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine eternity.

*Benediction

Postlude ~ *Chanson Religiense* ~ Gordon Young

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Please stay after worship and join us for Coffee Hour in Fellowship Hall next to the Sanctuary. All are welcome!

Please let Pastor Bruce or Andrea Oakley know if you would like a large print bulletin available to you for future services.

Prayer List ~ *Please keep these friends and family members in prayer.*

Joe Hovey	Emily Kennedy	Matt Isenberg
Phil Smith	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	Julie Barnes
Don Caldwell	Scott Zink	Kristen Gibbs

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 8/2/26

Sunday – Aug 2 10am Worship ~ Rev. Marilyn Hale

Communion 2:30pm Worship at Eden Heights

Sunday – Aug 9 10am Worship ~ Rev. Marilyn Hale



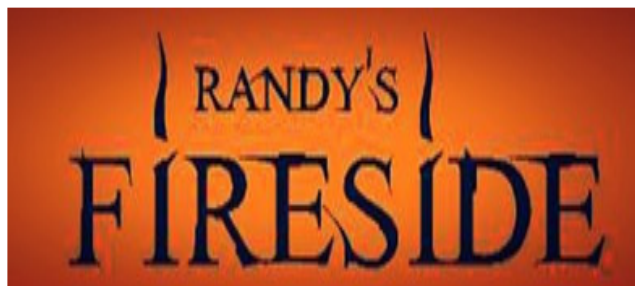
Birthdays

2 Ashley Haynoski

5 Kristen Gibbs



Anniversaries



Dinner Out

Tuesday, August 18th, 5pm

Please sign up in Fellowship Hall.
Join us for food, fellowship
and fun!