

October 11, 2026, 11am  
Olean First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Dr. Bruce Levine, Pastor  
Rick Snyder, Organist

*Children are always welcome in worship. Following Children's Time, children are invited to Sunday School.  
An asterisk (\*) indicates those who are able are invited to stand. **Bold type** indicates a congregational response.*

Prelude

Good Morning Saints

Announcements

*Please sign the friendship pad 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

Praise the Lord!

**Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;**

**God's steadfast love endures forever.**

Remember us, O Lord,

when you show favor to your people;

**let us know the blessing of your chosen ones**

**and the gladness of those you love.**

Prayer of the Day

God our redeemer, as you showed mercy to your people when they worshiped a false idol,  
be gracious to us and forgive us when we fall into temptation, that we may repent and return  
to worship and serve you alone. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

\*Opening Hymn ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!* ~ No. 1

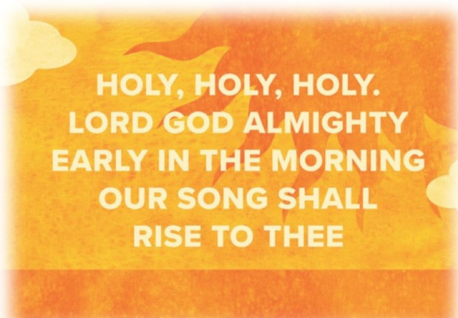
Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.



**HOLY, HOLY, HOLY.  
LORD GOD ALMIGHTY  
EARLY IN THE MORNING  
OUR SONG SHALL  
RISE TO THEE**

Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,  
though the eye of sinfulness thy glory may not see,  
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,  
perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity

#### 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.**

#### 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

We sing *Happy Birthday* to Peg Darrow for her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday



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 ~

*Matthew 22:1-14*

<sup>1</sup>Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: <sup>2</sup>“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. <sup>3</sup>He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. <sup>4</sup>Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ <sup>5</sup>But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, <sup>6</sup>while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. <sup>7</sup>The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. <sup>8</sup>Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. <sup>9</sup>Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ <sup>10</sup>Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. <sup>11</sup>“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, <sup>12</sup>and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. <sup>13</sup>Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ <sup>14</sup>For many are called, but few are chosen.”

*Psalms 23* ~ King James Version

<sup>1</sup> The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

<sup>2</sup> He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

<sup>3</sup> He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

<sup>4</sup> Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

<sup>5</sup> Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

<sup>6</sup> Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

The Word of God

**The Word of Life**

Message

Music for Meditation

\*Hymn ~ *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me* ~ No. 438

Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
let me hide myself in thee.  
Let the water and the blood  
from thy wounded side which flowed  
be of sin the double cure,  
cleanse from guilt and make me pure.

Not the labors of my hands  
can fulfill thy law's demands.  
Could my zeal no respite know,  
could my tears forever flow,  
all for sin could not atone.  
Thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring;  
simply to thy cross I cling;  
naked, come to thee for dress,  
helpless, look to thee for grace;  
foul, I to the fountain fly;  
wash me, Savior, or I die.

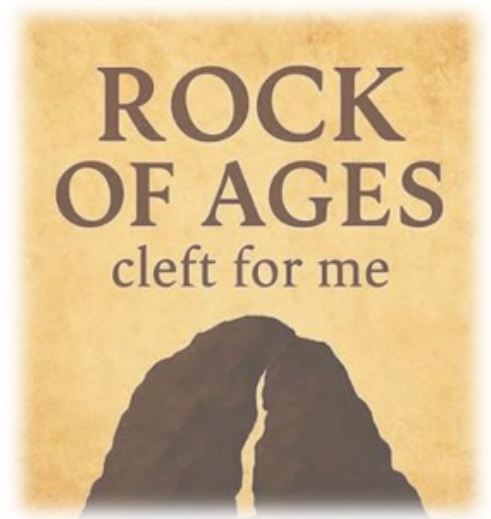
While I draw this fleeting breath,  
when my eyelids close in death,  
when I soar to worlds unknown,  
see thee on thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me,  
let me hide myself in thee.

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction

Postlude

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

**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          | Pete Reding             | 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   | Kristen Gibbs  |
| Thomas Burian      | Sylvia Lynch            | Bruce Levine   |
| Cataleya Casas     | Ron Register            | Julie Barnes   |
| Don Caldwell       |                         |                |

*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 10/11/26**

Sunday – Oct. 11      9:30am Bible Study  
                                 11am Worship  
                                 Noon Potluck Lunch

Tuesday – Oct. 13      Noon Presbyterian Women Meeting

Wednesday – Oct. 14      4pm MEF Meeting  
                                 5pm Christian Education Meeting  
                                 6:30pm Scouts

Thursday – Oct. 15      4pm Worship Team Meeting  
                                 5:30pm Bring Your Own Dinner Fellowship Meal  
                                 6:30pm Scouts  
                                 6:30pm Vespers Chapel Service  
                                 7pm Bible Study  
                                 7pm Choir

Friday – Oct. 16      10am Coffee & Conversation at Tim Hortons  
                                 7pm Bird Club

Sunday – Oct. 18      9:30am Bible Study  
                                 11am Worship



**Birthdays**

12 Miles Oncken  
14 Punkie Sinesiou, Susan Hausman  
17 Michaela Bigley

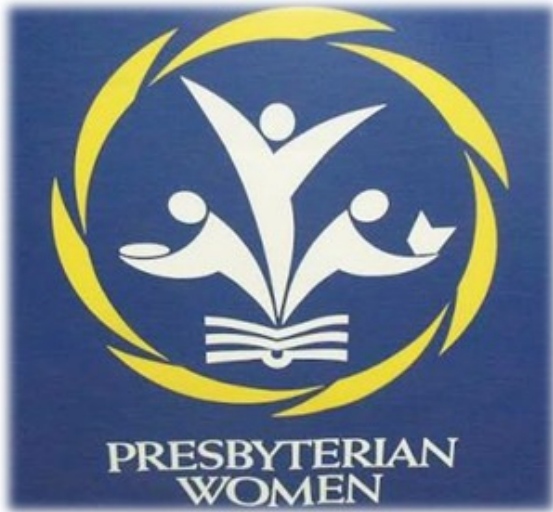


**Anniversaries**

Today after Worship

**Second Sunday  
Potluck Lunch**

All are welcome!  
Please stay and join us.



**Presbyterian Women Meeting**  
Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>, at Noon

All Women Invited

We will meet with our brown bag lunches in Fellowship Hall. After the meeting portion, Pastor Bruce will lead a study on a Parable.

Dinner Out  
Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, at 5pm

**Sprague's**

The sign-up sheet is in Fellowship Hall. Join us  
for food, fellowship and fun!  
All are welcome.





We are collecting candy in the small conference room to hand out at church on Halloween night.

All are welcome to come see the ghosts and goblins, princesses and superheroes! 6pm – 8pm

The PW Mitten Tree is up and will stay up for the winter. Donations of mittens, hats, scarves and socks are appreciated. Collected items will be donated to the Olean Food Pantry.



Shoe boxes are available in Fellowship Hall and include a list of suggestions for gifts. Remember they appreciate a \$10 donation to help cover the shipping charge.

Boxes are due to the church by Sunday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.

# Psalm 23 Word Search

Matthew 22:1-14

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