



Welcome to those who have worshipped in this place for years.
Welcome to our first time guests.
Welcome to all generations, families, single people and couples.
Welcome to those who have no church home, need strength, have doubt, want to follow Christ or do not believe.

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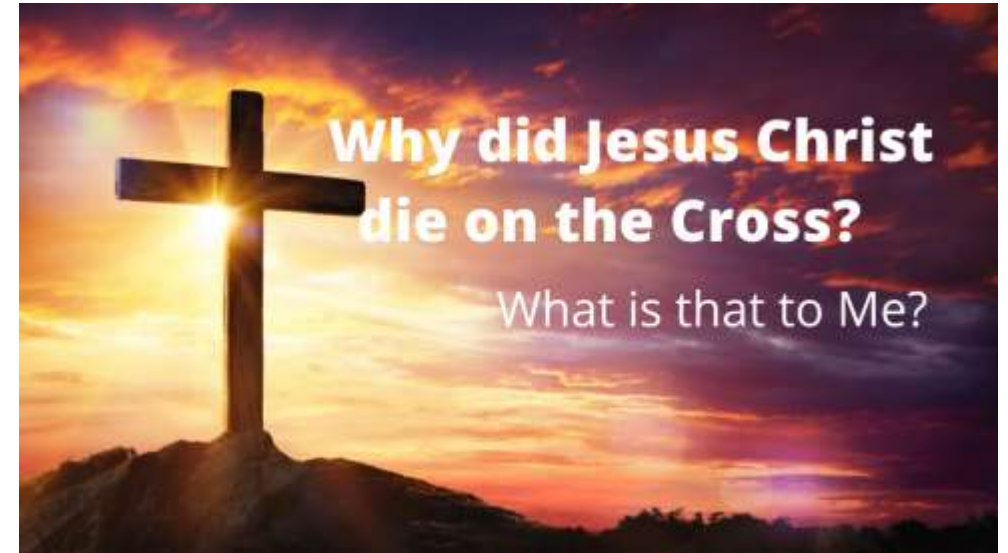
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For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6:23

Our Mission Statement

The vision of the members of Oneida First Presbyterian Church is to LIVE God's plan for our family, our community and our world. TOGETHER with God's grace and guidance, we will reach out and sow the LOVE of Jesus Christ.



The Church At Worship
 First Presbyterian Church of Oneida
 October 20, 2024
 Pastor Michael L. Yeoman

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

† Job 38:1-7 (34-41)

† Hebrews 5:1-10

† Mark 10:35-45

PRELUDE "Gnossienne No. 3" Satie

MORNING GREETINGS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTROIT "Kum Ba Yah" (Spiritual)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We are servants in training, gathered to learn and listen.

People: We serve the Triune God, Ruler of All Creation.

Leader: Our service requires us to do things that do not make sense to this world.

People: We serve God the Creator, who creates abundance.

Leader: Our service requires us to share our resources with the needy and vulnerable.

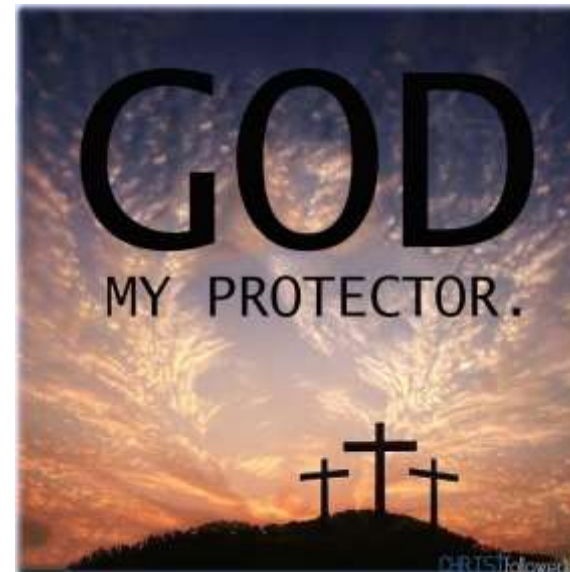
People: We serve God the Redeemer, who redeems us from our sinfulness.

Leader: Our service requires us to preach the good news of the Gospel in word and deed.

People: We are servants of God, sealed in our baptism as disciples of Christ.

Leader: Come, let us worship God!

***OPENING HYMN** "Fairest Lord Jesus" #306



Our Comfort and Protector

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

Psalm 91:11

As a child, I remember singing the song, "He Has The Whole World in His Hands." This song was comforting to me. It taught me that my God was omnipotent, omnipresent, and omniscient. God can do whatever God wants, whenever God is ready.

Our role is to trust God in every aspect and scenario of our lives. There is constancy with God. God sees us through the storms of life no matter how devastating they may be.

God has left us with many promises in the sacred text, showing that God will never leave or forsake us. We serve a God who never sleeps or slumbers. There are abundant examples of God's faithfulness. And God gives us Jesus, the amen and the yes to God's promises.

From "These Days"; October 17th, 2024



These Days for October, November, and December are in and can be found in the Narthex, Sanctuary and Hall way outside the Boardroom.

Our Daily Bread for September, October, and November is now available in the Sanctuary, Narthex and Hallway outside the Boardroom.

FOOD PANTRY

Our food pantry stock is getting low. We are asking for donations of non perishable goods and personal paper products. Many people in the Oneida area live on fixed income and inflation is making it difficult for them to keep basic food staples in their own pantries. You can drop off your donations during Sunday services or drop them off during the week. If you drop them off during the week please call in advance so that John will know you are coming. Thank you for your continued support of this important mission.



Prayer shawls

Prayer shawls are available for anyone who needs a little extra comforting and support. They are stitched by church members. They are on the stage in the auditorium.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Today, Gracious God, we are reminded of a story in your scripture when two followers of Jesus failed to understand the cost of discipleship. Help us have a clearer understanding of that cost and to treat it not as a burden but as a gift that has the ability to transform our lives and the lives of others in our community. Amen.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

In humility and honesty, let us gather before our gracious God and ask for his forgiveness of those things that we have done and those things that we should have done but didn't – those things that separate us from God.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God of Servant Leadership, so often we fight over and complain about the silliest of things, who's more important, who's more influential, who's more worthy of love and respect. How exhausted you must get from our incessant bickering. Forgive us for the moments when we've lost sight of what's truly important. Forgive us for the moments when we've given into our selfish natures. Forgive us for the moments when we've turned your gospel into a platform for our self-promotion. Help us prioritize the mission of the Church over and above our egos. Lord, in your mercy, hear our confession. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Friends, God will not let our sin separate us from God's love! No amount of bickering or selfishness can remove the fact that we are saved through Jesus Christ! I announce to you that our sins are forgiven.
All: Thanks be to God!

***GLORIA PATRI**

“Glory Be to the Father”

#579

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

CHILDREN'S TIME

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM

“Wondrous Love”

(Gardner)

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

OLD TESTAMENT	Job 38:1-7 (34-41) The Word of the Lord	OT 458 <i>Thanks be to God</i>
EPISTLE	Hebrews 5:1-10 The Word of the Lord	NT 207 <i>Thanks be to God</i>
GOSPEL	Mark 10:35-45 The Gospel of Jesus	NT 44 <i>Thanks be to God</i>
SERMON	<i>“Leave Your Ego At the Door”</i>	Pastor Mike
*HYMN	<i>“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”</i>	#101

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (From a Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.

In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage.

Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. Amen.

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

LONG TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

Donna Ausman	Wendy Holtz
Jude Alexander (Mancarella’s great nephew)	Millie Johnson
Abby Bartell	Victor Johnson
Kevin Bedford	Dan King (Pastor @ New Life Assembly of God)
Brody	
Richard Brown	
Marty Canning	Jean Kowalik
Pam Corrington	Florence LaRock
Timothy Carver (Jen Bailey’s Father)	Jason Maycock (Sandy Glynn’s brother)
Elizabeth Coulby	Suzie Meraz
Cora Cramer (Ethel Abbott’s sister)	Michelle Newman
Fran Dowd (Jim Sweet’s sister)	Becky Nichols
Peggy Eastman	Michael O’Bryan (Mike’s Brother in law)
John Ferguson	Mike Oot
Robert Feldmann (Melinda’s Father)	Audrey Opperman (Cathy’s Mother-in-law)
Jillian Felt	Tom Panasci
Andy Froass	Elli Pfluke
Don Fuller (Stephanie Gwilt’s Father)	Dan & Claudia Rayome
Pat Grabow (Chrissy Thompson’s Mom)	Debbie Shaw
Becky Grasso	Brian Stites
Mary Gwilt (Dan’s mother)	Sue
	Judy Sweet
	Millicent Vidal
	Jan Whiting

SHORT TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

Janet Franklin (Kim DeRuby’s mom)	Steve Reed
Aimee Dryer	

If you have a prayer need, there are cards in the pews. Fill it out and hand it to an usher. If you know of anyone who is sick, in the hospital, or in need of our prayers, PLEASE call the Church Office, 363-7590. Please let us know also when they are healed and can be taken off the prayer list.

**FAMILY AND FRIENDS
WHO ARE GRIEVING FOR:**

Rosalind Lawrence (Sandy houseman's Sister)
Josiah Carrier (Nancy James' Grandson)

SPECIAL CONCERNS:

All first responders, nurses, doctors and
healthcare professionals.

All victims and survivors of gun violence.

The Citizens of Ukraine

Pray for those who are serving overseas and our
Police/Fire Safety personnel.

Israel and all victims of terrorism

All victims of recent Hurricanes.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS: Pray for those
who are stationed in non-combat zones:

Jack Sharkey, Mark Sia, Nicholas Young, Philip
Messina, Ryan Geer, John Goodwill, Errol
Crossman, Corey Reed, Michael McMahon,
Andrew Fargo, Jim Jennings, Michelle Ludwig,
Peter Thompson, Dylan McClelland,
Sean Fuller Jr.

Those serving in combat zones:



MISSION EMPHASIS:

Presbyterian Peace Fellowship of the PC(USA)

ELDERS

CLASS OF 2024

Randy Bonville
Frank Kordziel
Lucille Merriman
Pat Thorpe

CLASS OF 2025

CLASS OF 2026

Paul Mancarella
Perry Tooker IV

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2024

Cindy Bonville
Sue Kordziel
Rachel Mancarella
John Merritt
Kathy Nichols
Janet Sarensky
Jennawade Skellham
Sharon Warren
Michelle Yeoman

CLASS OF 2025

Kristin Tooker

CLASS OF 2026

THE LORD's PRAYER (sung)

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

OFFERTORY

"Gymnopédie No. 2"

Satie

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***CLOSING HYMN**

"Abide with Me"

#543

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

"Vesper Hymn"

(Longfellow)

POSTLUDE

"Gnossienne No. 4"

Satie



Thank you for worshipping with us today! Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the auditorium.





The Tech Team is in **urgent** need of **projectionists** to assist with Sunday Services - **No experience necessary!**

Our Projection Team is going to be down to 2 individuals. We cannot sustain this program at this level. Without additional volunteers there may be Sundays without Projection/Facebook.

Please prayerfully consider your calling to help.

See Pastor Mike to discuss this further!

LOCAL CHURCHES NEED OUR HELP

First Presbyterian Church of Rome - Devastated by a recent tornado that destroyed their sanctuary they are going to try to rebuild. They need help financially. Please prayerfully consider a donation. You can put your donation in an envelope and place it in the offering plate marked **ROME PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH RESTORATION FUND** in the memo. You can also send checks directly to them and note same in Memo Line - address: Rome Presbyterian Church - 108 W. Court Street, Rome NY 13440. Mail is checked daily.

Oneida Baptist Church - The Oneida Baptist Church is in crisis, Their church building needs immediate repairs to avoid closure due to present external building safety concerns identified by the Oneida City Fire Marshall. They need \$150,000 by month's end to begin critical masonry and other repairs to the church building. You can send your donation marked "**Emergency Building Restoration**" to Oneida Baptist Church 242 Main St., Oneida, NY 13421 or securely through their website oneidabaptistchurch.com



In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16

The Per Capita for 2025 is \$46.04



Ushers for October
October 6th
October 13th
October 20th
October 27th

Early voting hours for City of Oneida at St. Paul's United Methodist Church 551 Sayles St

Sat Oct 26-27 polls open from 9AM to 5 PM

Monday Oct. 28 noon to 8 pm

Tues Oct. 29 9am -5pm

Wed Oct 30 noon to 8 PM

Thur Oct 31 9am-5pm

Fri Nov 1 9am -5pm

Sat & Sun Nov 2 & 3 9 am to 5 pm



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mon-Sarina Archer

Wed-Amanda Burdick

Quiet bags are available in the Sanctuary under the information table. If you take one please return the clip board in the bag when you leave the church.

Thank you!





SAVE THE DATE.

Festival of Christmas.

Saturday, November 23. 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

With the following rooms

Harriet's Boutique - Becky Ewen

Shop around the corner - Sarah and Deb Owens

Gingerbread Shop—Cathy Opperman

Cookie Corner—Becky Williams

Christmas Cottage 304 - Carol Miller and Barb Arnold

Nutcracker Sweet - Chrissy Thompson

Wood shop - Dan Gwilt

Pins and needles—Laura Reckentine and Sue Kordziel

Pollys pantry - Kathy Nichols and Ginny Drake

Chicken and Biscuit luncheon - Frank and Janet Sarensky

Quilt made by Laura Reckentine, Sue Kordziel, Chrissy Thompson

Painting by Tom Donegan

Ticket distribution and sale- Rachel Mancarella

Notable contributions by Nancy James and daughter Lori every year, thank you so much!

This years Festival is honoring our special friend and generous donor of jams, jellies, candy and more. Vicki DuChene passed away this year and we are sure she is in Heaven making the best Jam ever! We love and miss you Vicki!

Please take a minute to ask what you can do, or make, and be sure to spread the word. We need to let everyone know the Festival is happening!

Save the date! Saturday November 23 9 a.m.-3 p.m.



Free Musical Concert by Local Musicians

2PM- Sunday October 27

Gethsemane Episcopal Church

320 Park St. Sherrill

A canned food item for Verona food pantry would be appreciated

Performances by:

Matt Selby - Piano

Zach Hirst - Violin

Rocky Feola - Vocals &Guitar

Trey Feola - Vocalist

Vicky Stockton-Allen - Organ & Flute

Janet Stengel- Trombone

Judy Reilly - Scottish Small Pipes

Dan Skinner - Scottish Small Pipes

*****Followed by Cider and Donuts in Parish Hall*****



Collection Assistants for October/November

October 20th-Kim DeRuby

October 27th-Frank Kordziel

November 3rd-Paul Mancarella

November 10th-Lucille Merriman



Scripture Readers for October/November

October 20th-Pat Thorpe

October 27th-Paul Mancarella

November 3rd-Barb Schwartz

November 10th-PerryTooker IV



Coffee Servers for October/November

October 20th-Carol Musgrove

October 27th-Art and Sharon Pierce

November 3rd-Perry & Kristen Tooker

November 10th-Perry Tooker & Joyce Messenger



Projection Team for October/November

October 20th-Trish Vrooman

October 27th-Trish Vrooman

November 3rd-Dan Gwilt

November 10th-Trish Vrooman



LIFE at ONEIDA

Week of October 20th-October 27th

Sunday, October 20th
10 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Harvest Brunch
11:30 a.m. Deacons

Monday, October 21st

Tuesday, October 22nd

Wednesday, October 23rd
3:00 p.m. The Connection
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
Living Waters Youth Group

Thursday, October 24th

Friday, October 25th

Saturday, October 26th

Sunday, October 27th
10 a.m. Worship



25th Annual GRAB a COAT Event!

“No neighbor should be without a COAT”

Saturday, November 9, 2024

9:00 am until 12:00 noon

Oneida First United Methodist Church

116 West Grove Street (corner of Main and Grove)

ALL coats, snow pants, and boots are available FREE of charge!

To DONATE:

A DONATION BOX IS SET UP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ONEIDA

- ALL sizes (infant through adult XXXL) of new or gently used coats, snow pants, and boots are welcome.
- Drop off items between 9:00 am and 12:00 noon on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays at the Grove Street entrance (starting Monday, September 30 through Wednesday, November 6).
- VOLUNTEERS needed!

To SHOP:

- Please enter and register through the Main Street doors
- First-come, first-served
- ALL items FREE of charge and MUST go!
- ALL are welcome!

Please contact the church office at 315-363-2450 or email oneidafirstoffice@gmail.com with s or to volunteer.



If anyone is in need of a pastoral visit or knows of a congregation member who would like a visit, please let Pastor Mike know. (315) 761-2721



PEACE & GLOBAL
WITNESS OFFERING

(formerly Peacemaking Offering) will start on September 15. Please support the efforts of the Presbyterian Church so that peace may abound throughout the world. As you contribute to the offering consider the difference your generosity can make. Offering envelopes will be available in the pews.

Harvest brunch

Fellowship will be hosting a Harvest Brunch on Sunday
October 20th following service.

Menu:

Chicken Salad & Ham Salad Sandwiches

2 Breakfast Casaroles

Baked Apples

Assorted Muffins

Gluten free options will be available.

We will need volunteers for serving, clean-up and set up.

Stay tuned for further details.

St. John's Episcopal Church, Oneida, NY

Annual Harvest Dinner

Sunday, October 27th—11:30 a.m. until gone

\$12 per dinner includes-

Turkey, Stuffing, Potatoes, Vegetable, Carrot Salad

Cranberry Sauce, and Pie

Take outs only!!!!

Deliveries available



Upcoming Blood Drives For October

Tuesday, October 22nd: Holy Cross Academy
Oneida, NY.
8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 24th: First Presbyterian Church
Cazenovia, NY.
1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Friday, October 25th: St. Paul's United Methodist Church
Oneida, NY.
12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Here is Carol Wells' new contact information. I am sure that she would love to hear from her friends.

Home of Good Shepherd
Rm A 201
400 Church St
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
Ph# 518 -306-5397

Here is Millicent Vidal's new contact information. I am sure that she would love to hear from her friends.

108-27
160th Street 2nd floor
Jamaica, NY 11433

If you know of anyone who needs to be added to the Deacon's military service list please let Jennawade know, or call into the office so that we can keep our list updated. The Deacons routinely send out cards and packages to our military friends.