



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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I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will
never go hungry. Whoever believes in me will never
go thirsty

John 6:35

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
Sunday, August 4, 2024 10:00 AM
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost
Pastor Michael L. Yeoman

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS



Psalm 51:1-12



Ephesians 4:1-16



John 6:24-35

PRELUDE

MORNING GREETINGS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the bread of life."

People: We are hungry for the bread of heaven.

Leader: Jesus said, "The bread of God gives life to the world."

People: We are hungry for eternal life.

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

People: We are here to become what we already are: the body of Christ, food for a hungry world.

*OPENING HYMN

"I Come With Joy"

#370

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of forgiveness and new beginnings, you feed our hearts with compassion, and nourish our souls with the bread of heaven. As Jesus fed the hungry crowds, knowing that they needed both physical bread and the bread of heaven, fill us with your generous spirit and make us one with Christ. Amen.



The Beautiful One

He had no beauty or majesty. . . .

By his wounds we are healed



Isaiah 53:2, 5

For more than 130 years, the Eiffel Tower has stood majestically over the city of Paris, a symbol of architectural brilliance and beauty. The city proudly promotes the tower as a key element of its magnificence.

As it was being built, however, many people thought little of it. Famous French writer Guy De Maupassant, for example, said it had a "a ridiculous thin shape like a factory chimney." He couldn't see its beauty.

Those of us who love Jesus and have entrusted our hearts to Him as our Savior count Him as beautiful for who He is and what he's done for us. Yet the prophet Isaiah penned these words: "He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him" (53:2).

But the towering majesty of what He did for us is the truest, purest form of beauty that humans will ever know and experience. He "took up our pain and bore our suffering" (v.4). He was "pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed" (v.5).

We'll never know anyone as beautiful-as majestic-as the one who suffered for us on the cross, taking the unspeakable punishment of our sins upon Himself.

That's Jesus. The Beautiful One. Let's look to Him and live.

(From "Our Daily Bread", July 31st, 2024)

Volunteers Needed!!!

We will need volunteers to help make lunches for overdose awareness day on Saturday August 31st. We will be making lunches here at 9:00 a.m. and then going over to Higinbotham Park around noon to help spread awareness and help feed the community. If you can spare the morning and afternoon to help spread awareness and feed some people, please contact Pastor Mike or the church office.

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FOOD PANTRY

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Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way. But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully to Christ's invitation. Let us seek God's forgiveness so that we may know more deeply the joy God intends

Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would us be. Amen..

Relentlessly God seeks us out. With abundant grace and boundless mercy, God seeks us out. This is good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

ALL: Thanks be to God

“Glory Be to the Father”

#579

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

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Psalm 51:1-12
The Word of the Lord

OT Page 492
Thanks be to God

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Ephesians 4:1-16

The Word of the Lord

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Thanks be to God

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John 6:24-35

The Gospel of Jesus

NT Page 92

Thanks be to God

SERMON	“Whole Food Not Junk Food”	Pastor Mike	LONG TERM PRAYER CONCERNS	
*HYMN	“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”	#369	Jude Alexander (Mancarella’s great nephew)	Jean Kowalik
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional Version) I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.		Abby Bartell	Florence LaRock
			Kevin Bedford	Jason Maycock (Sandy Glynn’s brother)
			Brody	Suzie Meraz
			Richard Brown	Michelle Newman
			Marty Canning	Becky Nichols
			Pam Corrington	Michael O’Bryan (Mike’s Brother in law)
			Timothy Carver (Jen Bailey’s Father)	Mike Oot
			Elizabeth Coulby	Audrey Opperman (Cathy’s Mother-in-law)
			Cora Cramer (Ethel Abbott’s sister)	Tom Panasci
			Fran Dowd (Jim Sweet’s sister)	Dan & Claudia Rayome
			Peggy Eastman	Debbie Shaw
			John Ferguson	Brian Stites
			Robert Feldmann (Melinda’s Father)	Judy Sweet
			Jillian Felt	Louise Thompson
			Andy Froass	Jan Whiting
			Don Fuller (Stephanie Gwilt’s Father)	
			Pat Grabow (Chrissy Thompson’s Mom)	
			Becky Grasso	
			Mary Gwilt (Dan’s mother)	
			Alison Hilgenberg (Phyllis Little’s Daugther)	
			Wendy Holtz	
			Millie Johnson	
			Victor Johnson	
			Dan King (Pastor @ New Life Assembly of God)	
WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD			SHORT TERM PRAYER CONCERNS	
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE			Janet Franklin (Kim DeRuby’s mom)	
THE LORD’S PRAYER (unison)	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		Perry Tooker III	Elli Pfluke
*DOXOLOGY				
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION				
CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S SUPPER				
INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE				
GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING				
	Pastor: The Lord be with you			
	All: And also with you.			
	Pastor: Lift up your hearts.			
	All: We lift them to the Lord.			
			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:**

ELDERS

CLASS OF 2024

Randy Bonville
Frank Kordziel
Lucille Merriman
Pat Thorpe

CLASS OF 2025

Kim DeRuby

Robert Stokes
Dan Meyers

Terri Johnson
Richard Carrier Sr.

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.

Isreal and all victims of terrorism

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:

North Gage Presbyterian Church, Utica

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

Elli Pfluke

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly right and our greatest joy..... (continued) You spoke through prophets calling us to turn from our willful ways to new obedience and righteousness. You sent your only Son to be the way to eternal life.....

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name.

All: "Sanctus"

***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. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: You are holy, O God of majesty and blessed is Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord. He took upon himself the weight of our sin and carried the burden of our guilt... (continued) ,, Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Pastor: Praise to you, Lord Jesus

All: Dying you destroyed our death.

Rising you restored our life.

Lord Jesus come in glory.

Pastor: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the Living Christ and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord Jesus on the night of his arrest took bread, and after giving thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

The body of Christ broken for you. **(The bread is taken by all.)**

In the same way he took the cup, saying: This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.

The blood of Christ - The cup of salvation. **(The juice is consumed at this time)**

Every time you eat this bread and drink from this cup, you proclaim the saving death of the risen Lord until he comes in glory.

COMMUNION HYMN **“One Bread, One Body”** **#530 (Purple)**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord, thank you for being the Bread of Life. With the joy of salvation, we come to you with gratitude for all that we have. Open our eyes and the eyes of all to see you as the only Bread for spiritual hunger but, also, to see your presence in the faces of all who have physical hunger. Grant, that we who have received the Sacrament of his Body and Blood may abide in him, and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN** **“Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing”** **#538**

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Let us go from this place trusting that in Jesus Christ God is with us and for us in every place. May the grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and abide with you this day and forevermore. Amen.

POSTLUDE



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



Who Am I?

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:18

Robert Todd Lincoln lived under the extensive shadow of his father, beloved American president Abraham Lincoln. Long after his father’s death, Robert’s identity was engulfed by this father’s overwhelming presence. Lincoln’s close friend, Nicholas Murray Butler, wrote that Robert often said, “no one wanted me for secretary of war; they wanted Abraham Lincoln’s son. No one wanted me for minister to England; they wanted Abraham Lincoln’s son. No one wanted me for president of the Pullman Company; they wanted Abraham Lincoln’s son.”

Such frustration isn’t limited to the children of the famous. We all are familiar with the feeling of not being valued for who we are. Yet nowhere is the depth of our value more evident than in the way God loves us.

The apostle Paul recognized us for who we were in our sins, and for who we become in Christ. He wrote, “at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly” (Romans 5:6). God loves us because of who we are-even at our worst! Paul wrote, “God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us” (v.8). God values us so much that He allowed His Son to go to the cross on our behalf.

Who are we? We’re god’s beloved children. Who could ask for more?

From “Our Daily Bread”, August 11th, 2023

Communion for
September will be held on
September 8th, the
second Sunday of the month

August 9th 5:00-till Gone



Lasagna Dinner
\$13
A special benefit for the
Rome Presbyterian Church
AUGUSTA PRESBYTERIAN
2345 Rt. 26, Oriskany Falls, NY



Upcoming Blood Drives For July

Thursday, August 8th: Oneida YMCA
Oneida, NY
12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Charles Miller American Legion
Canastota, NY
1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Cazenovia American Legion Post 88
Cazenovia, NY
1:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.



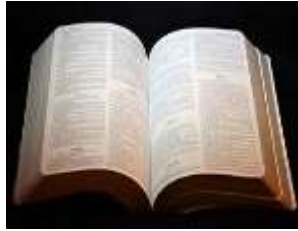
We will be launching a new website soon. Before we can advance though we need YOUR help. We are looking for people of all ages and interests to help us have a vision of what the new website could look like and what we would like to see on it.

We also need to determine what we want carried over from our current site to the new site.

It is our expectation that the new website will be much more user friendly and allow us to make changes and updates on a timelier basis.

Please prayerfully consider your role in this – You do not have to be a member of the church, all friends of the church are welcome to these discussion.

Time is of the essence so please let Pastor Mike know ASAP of your interest.



Collection Assistants for August

August 4th-Frank Kordziel

August 11th-Paul Mancarella

August 18th-Lucille Merriman

August 25th-Perry Tooker IV

Scripture Readers for August

August 4th-Barb Schwartz

August 11th-Ian Farwell

August 18th-Lou White

August 25th-Frank Kordziel

Coffee Servers for August

August 4th-Kim & Jerry DeRuby

August 11th- Barb Schwartz & Jennawade Skellham

August 18th-Stephanie & Dan Gwilt

August 25th-Becky Ewen & Michelle Yeoman

Projection Team for August

August 4th-Ian Farwell

August 11th-Dan Gwilt

August 18th-Trish Vrooman

August 25th-Ian Farwell



LIFE at ONEIDA ***FIRST PRESBYTERIAN***

Week of August 4th-August 11th

Sunday, August 4th
10 a.m. Worship
Communion

Monday, August 5th
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

Tuesday, August 6th

Wednesday, August 7th
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts
Living Waters Youth Group

Thursday, August 8th

Friday, August 9th

Saturday, August 10th

Sunday, August 11th
10 a.m. Worship



!!A way to help local families in July!!



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.



FROM THE JANETH P. WHITING COMMUNITY CENTER

While there has been an assortment of groups that have used the facility, we want to reach out to other groups to increase the center's benefits to the community and our congregation. Pastor Mike has been trying to contact groups, but this is not the best use of his time. We are looking for volunteers who can help get groups in such as support groups that give the community and our church members the opportunity to connect with others who share similar concerns and experiences battling chronic diseases such as cancer, heart, stroke, etc.

Other possibilities are groups that offer seminars for the elderly on internet safety and phone scams, or classes for caregivers, etc. Information from Community Action on HEAP and low-income home improvements.

- * Programs offered through the Office of the Aging
- * Foster Parent Information Meetings.
- * Hospice Grief Counseling & Support
- * Social opportunities for Seniors– Weekly card/board games and socialization.
- * Small Group Gatherings:
- * And the list can go on and on.

Your help is greatly needed in this area. If interested, please have a chat with Pastor Mike as soon as possible.



**The next session meeting will be August 20th @
6:30 p.m.**

**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**

Senior Adult Bible Study

Will resume on Wednesday, September 4th at 1:00 p.m.

Janeth P. Whiting Community Center

211 Stone Street, Oneida

Fellowship, Friendship, Faith Formation

Call the First Presbyterian Church of Oneida

For information—315-363-7590

During the summer months there will be fans available at each entrance for your use. Please return them after the service. The fans were made years ago and some of our current college students made them.



PRAYER MISSION AUGUST - HOSPICE

The goal is to provide comfort care for persons facing the end of life.

The medical and staff members seek to bring symptoms of the illness under control. The care is most frequently administered in the patient's home but with the addition of the Siegenthaler Center, this hospice now has four units for more intensive care in a setting which is modern, bright, and attractive. There is a kitchen for residents to meet with their families and make or warm up a dinner prepared elsewhere. There are also lounge and recreational areas and various nursing care facilities.

In-home clients receive a visit from a nurse every two weeks with more frequent attention as necessary or requested. Other services are provided as requested, e.g. counseling for patient or family, and a visit from the chaplain. The patient is "captain of the ship" which means they receive the kind of care they desire as opposed to being in a less personal and medically driven environment.

SUMMER MUSIC SCHEDULE

AUGUST

4th-Hymn Along
11th-TBD
18th-Jenelle Patchin
25th-Stephanie Gwilt and John Merritt

SEPTEMBER

1ST-Hymn Along
8th-Owen Paz



Ushers for August

August 4th

Lou White

Paul Mancarella

Rachel Mancarella

August 11th-TBD

August 18th-TBD

August 25th-TBD



The Per Capita for
2024 is \$45



These Days for July, August, and September are in and can be found in the Narthex, Sanctuary and Hall way outside the Boardroom.



Our Daily Bread for June, July, and August is now available in the Sanctuary, Narthex and Hallway outside the Boardroom.

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!





As part of our 180th year celebration we are inviting everyone to write down some short memorable moments or events that you can recall at the First Presbyterian Church of Oneida. We will compile these into a booklet that will be distributed during our anniversary celebration on September 29th. Please send these to: oneidafirstpres@oneidafirstpres.org and put **180th Anniversary Memories** in the subject line. You can also mail them to the church or place it in the offering plate on Sunday. Deadline for submission is September 15th. Early submissions are appreciated.



In the run up to the 180th Anniversary Celebration, you will find when you are in church, that there are bulletin boards with interesting facts and memories of what The First Presbyterian Church has done for and with the community of Oneida. The boardroom also has many pieces of memorabilia for you to look at.

