



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

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ISAIAH 6:8

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? . . . I
said, “Here am I, Send me!”

I saiah 6:8

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

Sunday, September 5, 2021

10:00 a.m.

Doug Lippert

Guest Pastor

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

15th Sunday after Pentecost

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

LECTIONARY: Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23, and Psalm 125
Isaiah 35:4-7a and Psalm 146
James 2:1-10 (11-13) 14-17, Mark 7:24-37

PRELUDE

Cello Suite No.1 in G Major

J.S. Bach

Arr. Bruce Nelson

MORNING GREETINGS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

O God, you are infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, glorious in holiness, full of love and compassion, abundant in grace and truth. Your works everywhere praise you, and your glory is revealed In Jesus Christ our Savior. Therefore, we praise you, blessed and holy Trinity, one God, forever and ever. AMEN

**Please Stand, if able
Please turn off your cell phones.*



A Neighborhood of Equals

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ?

James 2:1

If you pay attention to Jesus, you can't help but notice that Jesus pays attention to rich and poor folks alike. He speaks with and touches those others avoid (Luke 5:12-13). He eats with tax collectors and sinners (Luke 15:2) but also with Pharisees and scribes (Luke 14:1-24). He heals the sick without first asking if they can afford to pay or if they qualify for his charitable acts. He shares his teaching stories with both the educated and uneducated.

The early church maintained that same commitment to diversity. In Christ, external differences don't matter, and people from a variety of backgrounds and social classes are invited to see one another as beloved brothers and sisters.

Reading James, we discover that this sort of diversity is not easy to create or to maintain - even in a church. It is far easier to allow our fellowship to be defined and shaped by money, power, and social standing instead of by the radical love of the God who made us all and loves us equally. That's a major misunderstanding of God's plan - and a sin too.

(From "Our Daily Bread" August 20th, 2021)

**Friday, September 10 - St. Paul's United Methodist Church
Oneida, NY.
1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**



This is an early reminder that you and your child can begin now to collect items that will fit in a shoebox. This month, as you're out shopping, pick up one or two items at a time and gradually fill up your shoebox. Gear gifts for each box to a boy or girl. Ages per shoebox are 2-4 years, 5-9 years or 10-14 years. There are brochures on the Stone Street table which give you ideas what to put in your shoebox, and what are items that you can't put in. This is the best time of year to pick up school supplies, as they are all on sale. This year we have an anonymous donor who will pay shipping for the boxes. If you decide that you still wish to pay postage, it is \$7, put it in the box, and put a sticky note on the outside of the box saying the postage is inside.

We will have OCC shoeboxes available in the board room, over by the coffee pot, and there will be new brochures on the Stone Street table very soon. If you use a regular shoebox, wrapping is not necessary; however, do put a label (found on the back of the OCC brochure) denoting boy or girl and age on the shoebox and put a strong rubber band around the box. If you wish to wrap the box in brightly colored paper, please wrap the top and bottom of the box separately and put the label on it denoting boy or girl and age with a rubber band around it. Don't include breakable items, liquid items, chocolate, perishable items or toy weapons, etc.

***FIRST HYMN** *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* #372

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

All too often, Lord, we act as if the resurrection never took place, as if the grave of Christ still holds Him, as if His Messiahship had failed, as if, therefore, we are still in our sins, without hope in the world. Help us, O God, to express the joy of the resurrection, to exemplify the power of new life, to express openly the transformation within, to overcome all obstacles, to know we can do all things through Christ, who strengthens us. AMEN

***WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

*** GLORIA PATRI** *Glory Be to the Father* #579

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

***SECOND HYMN** *Blest Are They (v.1-4)* #172
(Purple Hymnal)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 125:1-5 OT Page 540

NEW TESTAMENT Mark 7:24-30 NT Page 40

SERMON *A Mother's Plea* Doug Lippert

***THIRD HYMN** *Open My Eyes, that I May See* #324

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

DIRECTIONS OF OUR GIFTS AND OFFERINGS

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

All that we have is a gift from your abundance. It is not possible for us to repay even a portion of that which you shower upon us. The beauty of wildflowers which you sprinkle on the ground before us as we walk declare your majesty. The gift of your Son to save us is the ultimate expression of your love. May our offerings to your church be used to spread Christ's message of hope to the world around us. AMEN



***DOXOLOGY** **#592**

COMMUNION (Please follow along on the screen)

INTAMATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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*

***CLOSING HYMN** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!* **#341**

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE GOD

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Thank you for worshipping with us today!



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| Barb Arnold | Jean Kowalik |
| Bill Ausman | Florence LaRock |
| Bryce Bechtel (friend of Zach Thompson) | Maribeth Matthews |
| Steve Blair (friend of Ginny Pendleton) | Jason Maycock (Sandy Glynn’s brother) |
| Anthony Bonacci | Tom Panasci |
| Eleanor Breckenridge (Sue Borchardt’s mom) | Mary Patricia |
| Bob Butler | Doug Rosekrans |
| Pam Carrigan | Rich Snyder (Jennifer Colvin’s neighbor) |
| Scott Colvin | Eugene Sweet (Jim’s brother) |
| Glade Cook Jr. (nephew of Warrens) | Judy Sweet |
| Jonathon Eastman | Harold Thompson |
| Maria Erdo | Betty Thorpe (Jim’s aunt) |
| John Ferguson | Grace Warren |
| Jillian Felt | Jan Whiting |
| Becky Grasso | Christopher Wuest |
| Sherry Harrison | Bill Young |
| Joyce Helms | Jerry Karen |
| Jamie Hubbard | Michelle Angelia |
| Wendy Holtz | Heather |
| Millie Johnson | Patrick Vicky |
| Horace Keller | |

SHORT TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

Frank Kordziel

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

Richard Colvin Leif Nicolaisen

CLASS OF 2021

Becky Williams
Randy Bonville
Doug Lippert
Carol Wells
Lucille Merriman
Mike Merriman

CLASS OF 2022

Blakelynn Fox
Eli Pfluke

SPECIAL CONCERNS:

All first responders, nurses, doctors and healthcare professionals dealing first hand during this global pandemic.

The Pastor Nominating Committee: Jenn Colvin, Kim DeRuby, Paul Mancarella, Lucille Merriman, Jan Whiting and Andy Williams

Pray for those who are serving overseas: the U.S. Armed Forces in Afghanistan; and our Police/Fire Safety personnel.

Special prayers for the students and teachers who are returning to classrooms in the upcoming weeks

CLASS OF 2023

Paul Mancarella
Nancy Rinehard
Jan Whiting

DEACONS

CLASS OF 2021

John Merritt
Jennawade Skellham
Cindy Bonville
Chrissy Thompson

CLASS OF 2022

Rose Lockwood
Doug Lockwood
Kathy Nichols

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS: Pray for those who are stationed in non-combat zones: Sebastian Powers, Stephen Cafalone, Kiernan Manner, Jack Sharkey, Mark Sia, Zane Mechalke, Howard Bantle, Nicholas Young, Philip Messina, Ryan Geer, John Goodwill, Errol Crossman, Corey Reed, Michael McMahon, Andrew Fargo, Jim Jennings, Colin Whitcome, Michelle Ludwig, Peter Thompson



MISSION EMPHASIS:

First Presbyterian Church, Rome



PRAYER MISSION SEPTEMBER

Liberty Resources is one of Central New York's most diversified and trusted human service agencies. It was founded in 1978 by a concerned group of citizens who wished to develop community based services in Madison County. Providing residential and non-residential services to individuals and families, their present services include Mental Health; Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities; services for individuals living with HIV/AIDS, families and youth involved in the child welfare system, domestic violence services; services to persons in recovery; and diversified case management services. Liberty Resources strives for excellence in all areas – as an employer, service provider, and a corporate citizen of the CNY community.



I wanted to thank everyone for prayers and cards. Everything is progressing at a slow rate but what the doctors expected. It will

take time, but I am slowly starting to recover.

Frank Kordziel

Jan Whiting Update:

Jan has been moved to the Nottingham Assisted Living facility in Jamesville NY.

If you would like to send a card or letter the address is;

The Nottingham

1303 Nottingham Rd.

E123 Attn: Jan Whiting

Jamesville, NY. 13078

Deb has requested that no visitors come at this time as Jan is getting accustomed to her new surroundings. However, the cards and notes that she receives helps her with her reading and voice exercises.

The Whiting family is grateful for the thoughts and prayers. There will be more updates coming as Jan progresses through her rehabilitation.

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.



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

St. Peter's Lutheran Church is searching for its next Nursery School Executive Director, to begin instruction in January 2022. The mission of St. Peter's Nursery School is to provide a loving and accepting atmosphere in order to help each child develop emotionally, socially, intellectually, physically and spiritually. Its goals are to help children to know the love of Jesus Christ, to teach children about the world God created, to build a foundation for future learning with social skills and academic knowledge, and to provide the benefits of early childhood education to our community. If this mission and goals speak to you, God might be calling you to serve in this way! Contact Pastor Katie Yahns (315-363-5211, pastor@stpetersverona.org) for more information (including full job description and requirements) and submit a resume to the Nursery School Board to apply. A degree in early childhood education (or comparable field) is required for this position. St. Peter's Lutheran Church is located at 4897 Old Oneida Road in Verona.



BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- Sun - Nancy Rinehard
- Mon - Carol Wells
Frank Kordziel
- Wed - Michelle Yeoman
Melinda Phoenix-Heart
- Thu - Jim Baker
- Sat - Jim Campanie

Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

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There will be a Presbyterian Women's meeting on Tuesday, September 14th at 10:00 a.m. We hope to see you there!

STAY WELL AND SAFE.

UPCOMING LEADERS OF WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 5TH DOUG LIPPERT

SEPTEMBER 12TH GAIL COLLINS

SEPTEMBER 19TH ROGER WILLIAMS

SEPTEMBER 26TH DAVE SCHELLHASE

COFFEE/FELLOWSHIP HOUR HAS RETURNED!!!!!!!

Don't forget to go to the auditorium after today's service for some refreshments and fellowship. There will be cookies, coffee, tea, water and lemonade.

First Presbyterian Church of Oneida

Guidelines for Church Services

Entry – All entries will be open for your convenience.

Masks – Masks are to be worn if you have not been fully vaccinated.

Collection plates – Collection plates will be at all entry and exit points.

Hand Sanitizer – There will be hand sanitizer at all entry and exit points. There are also individual bottles in the pews.

Communion – Communion will resume in September.

Drinking Fountain – The drinking fountain will be covered and unavailable until further notice.

Coffee Servers – Coffee hour will resume on July 11th.

Nursery – Nursery services are available. Parents must accompany their children while they are in the nursery.

Live Streaming – You can still watch the service on FB live. The IT committee is currently working on a way to broadcast services for live streaming. We will update the progress of that in the future.

HEPA filters - There are 4 filters located in the Sanctuary that filter and exchange the air every minute.

The staff of First Presbyterian Church of Oneida welcome you back to worship. We will do all that we can to make your worship as stress free as possible. If you have any questions concerning these guidelines feel free to email the office oneidafirstpres@oneidafirstpres.org, or call 315-363-7590.



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



LIFE at ONEIDA

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Calendar for Sept. 5th - Sept. 12th

Sunday, September 5th
10 a.m. Worship

Mon, September 6th
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

Tue, September 7th

Wed, September 8th
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts

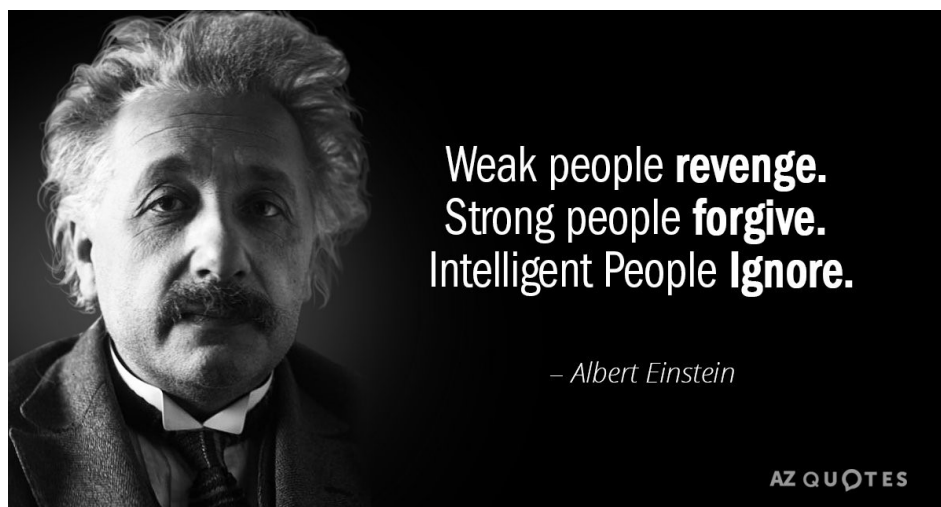
Thu, September 9th
3:30 p.m. Connection

Fri, September 10th

Sat, September 11th

Sunday, September 12th
Communion
9 a.m. Sunday School
10 a.m. Worship





**PEACE & GLOBAL
WITNESS OFFERING**

(formerly Peacemaking Offering) will start on September 12. 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.

Birthdays

Sept. 1	Blakelynn Fox
Sept. 2	Sandy Glynn, Elizabeth Tooker, Austin Williams
Sept. 3	John Musgrove
Sept. 5	Nancy Rinehard
Sept. 6	Carol Wells, Frank Kordziel
Sept. 8	Michelle Yeoman, Melinda Phoenix-Heart
Sept. 9	Jim Baker
Sept. 11	Joe Campanie
Sept. 13	Brian Baker, Abram Colvin
Sept. 14	Ginny Drake
Sept. 16	Judy Parker
Sept. 22	Georgia Merritt
Sept. 23	Debbie Owens, Bill Young
Sept. 25	Joe Todd
Sept. 27	Ann Oot
Sept. 29	Benjamin Bailey, Matt Winchell
Sept. 30	Jim Opperman, John Merritt

Anniversaries

Sept. 18	Bill and Donna Ausman
Sept. 19	Bill and Dolores Young
Sept. 20	Bob and Pam West Mike and Michelle Yeoman
Sept. 22	Chuck and Ginny Pendleton Brian and Kathy Gay

