



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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Lord, we pray for veterans who carry the weight of loss and grief. Comfort them in their sorrow and surround them with Your peace that surpasses understanding.

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, May 25, 2024 10:00 AM

Remembrance Sunday

Pastor Michael L. Yeoman

WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS



Psalm 46



Romans 12:9–21



John 14:25–27

PRELUDE

“Andantino in Db”

By Edwin H Lemare

MORNING GREETINGS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTROIT

“We Have Come Into His House”

by Ballingerh

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Today we remember those who gave their lives in service and sacrifice.

People: *We honor their courage and pray for peace.*

Leader: We remember the cost of war and the pain of loss.

People: *We give thanks for their lives and entrust them to God's care.*

Leader: Let us worship the God who brings hope, healing, and peace.

People: *We come to remember—and to worship.*

***OPENING HYMN**

“Lift Every Voice and Sing”

#563

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Gracious and loving God, on this day we pause to remember those who have gone before us—those who gave their lives in the midst of conflict, and those whose faithful witness still echoes through our lives.



A Day to Honor Life

“We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters.” 1 John 3:16

Memorial Day – to some it’s merely the beginning of summer and to others it’s a solemn day to remember those who have passed from this life. However, to the war veteran and to the families of fallen soldiers, Memorial Day carries significance so deep that words cannot express their hearts.

When we look into the eyes of those who still mourn these once vibrant men and women, we often sense their loneliness and pain. We hear them choke back tears as they simply say the ranks and names of their military brothers and sisters at a Memorial Day service. White gloves, dress uniforms, rigid posture, and perfectly precisioned salutes represent the reverence and respect flowing from within. Those who have been personally affected by war understand and appreciate this day of remembrance.

In an often quoted Memorial Day speech given in 1884 by Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr., the speaker ended his address with these words, “Our dead brothers still live for us, and bid us think of life, not death -- of life to which in their youth they lent the passion and joy of the spring. As I listen, the great chorus of life and joy begins again, and amid the awful orchestra of seen and unseen powers and destinies of good and evil our trumpets sound once more a note of daring, hope, and will.”

The American soldier who gave his or her life for U.S. citizens to enjoy life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness won’t be telling us how to observe the holiday. But I believe that Holmes’ proposition to “think of life, not death” would honor the fallen soldier. Their sacrifice follows the example of Jesus Christ laying down His life for our freedom. It’s selfless love for others – not so others can mourn forever, but live!

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.



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

We give thanks for their courage, their service, and their love. Even as we remember loss, we trust in your promise of peace that passes understanding. Make us people of hope and healing, bearing fruit that lasts in a world that longs for restoration. Through Christ our risen Lord. Amen.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

We come to God as we are: messy, joyful, imperfect, guilty, righteous. But most of all, we come to God as ourselves, human, in need of proclaiming, confessing, forgiving, in need of community. Let us come to God with all we are

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord, you call us to come to you in the world, but we disobey you. We choose power and profit over the acts of love that you exemplify for us again and again. We are content to work within systems that oppress instead of working to change things. We forget that everything comes from you, and that we are just stewards of what you have given. We seek out mountain tops instead of being among your people. Forgive us Lord, for the times that we forget your call to fully follow your example in the world. Embolden us to live fully in your call: to love our neighbor.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

God blesses us, again and again, despite the times that we mess up, despite us ignoring God. Friends, know and believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ, we 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

“Simple Gifts/Pachelbel’s Canon”

arranged by Moore

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

PSALM

Psalm 46

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The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

EPISTLE	Romans 12:9–21	NT Page 151
	The Word of the Lord	<i>Thanks be to God</i>
NEW TESTAMENT	John 14:25-27	NT Page 103
	The Gospel of Jesus	<i>Thanks be to God</i>
SERMON	<i>“The Church That Remembers”</i>	Pastor Mike
*HYMN	<i>"Amazing Grace How Sweet the Sound"</i>	#280

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Supremacy of Christ – (Colossians 1:15-20)*

We believe that Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him, all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him, God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

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

OFFERTORY	<i>“Prelude in C-minor”</i>	<i>By J.S. Bach</i>
*DOXOLOGY		
*PRAYER OF DEDICATION		
*CLOSING HYMN	<i>“O Beautiful for Spacious Skies”</i>	#564



These Days for April, May and June are in and can be found in the Narthex, Sanctuary and Hall way outside the Boardroom.



Our Daily Bread for March, April, May is now available in the Sanctuary, Narthex and Hallway outside the Boardroom.

The Per Capita for
2025 is \$46



BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY

On Sunday June 1st we will be honoring our recent graduates
and scholarship winners during the service.

We hope to see you there!!!

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE

"Irish Blessing"

By Spevacek

"If Not For You"

By Bob Dylan

Our guest accompanist today is Peter Walter.

*Please consider staying a few minutes to listen to the beautiful postlude music
provided by our wonderful accompanist Brian Snyder.*



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

The staff of First Presbyterian Church
hopes that you have a safe and happy
Memorial day.

Scholarship Applications



It's that time of year again! The scholarship applications will be available on website, by email, or mail or in person. They can either be returned by email or mail or in person. Take one, fill it out, and bring it back either to the church office or you can hand it to one of the Deacons by Sunday, May 18th. If you have any questions, please contact either Kristi Tooker or John Merritt at the church office. The applications will be available from mid April to the middle of May.



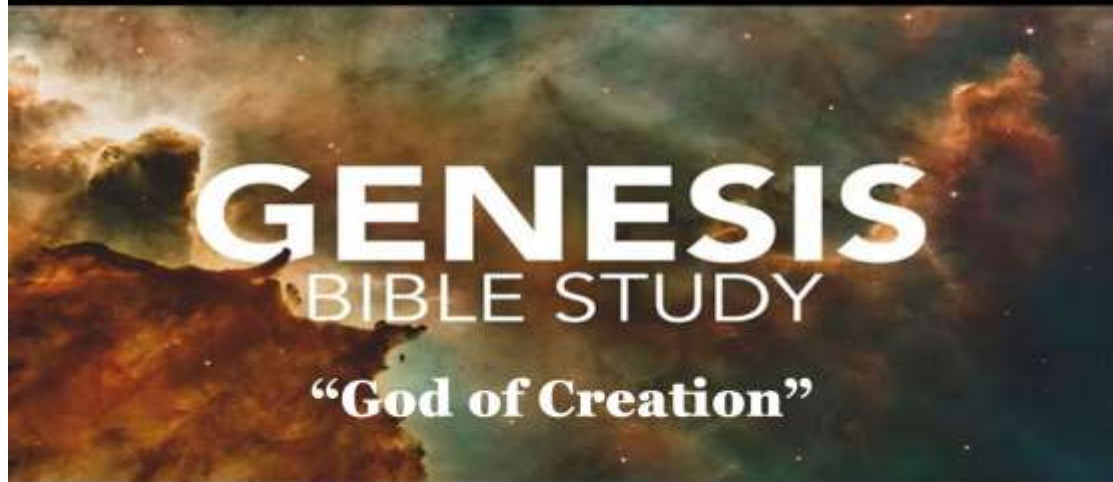
LONG TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

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| Jude Alexander (Mancarella's great nephew) | Becky Grasso |
| Fred Bavo (Jennawade's Uncle) | Wendy Holtz |
| Kevin Bedford | Jim Hotaling |
| Brody | Millie Johnson |
| Richard Brown | Victor Johnson |
| Marty Canning | Dan King (Pastor @ New Life Assembly of God) |
| Ed Cieslak (Friend of John Merritt) | |
| Timothy Carver (Jen Bailey's Father) | Jean Kowalik |
| Elizabeth Coulby | Florence LaRock |
| Cora Cramer (Ethel Abbott's sister) | Laurie Mudge |
| Fran Dowd (Jim Sweet's sister) | Michelle Newman |
| Emeri Dryer (Maggie's grand daughter) | Becky Nichols |
| Peggy Eastman | Michael O'Bryan (Mike's Brother in law) |
| John Ferguson | Mike Oot |
| Robert Feldmann (Melinda's Father) | Tom Panasci |
| Linda Felix | Elli Pfluke |
| Jillian Felt | Dan & Claudia Rayome |
| Andy Froass | Debbie Shaw |
| Don Fuller (Stephanie Gwilt's Father) | Brian Stites |
| Pat Grabow (Chrissy Thompson's Mom) | Millicent Vidal |
| | Jan Whiting |

SHORT TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

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.

Next Senior Bible Study Begins May 7th 1:00 PM



GENESIS
BIBLE STUDY
“God of Creation”

JANETH P. WHITING COMMUNITY CENTER



Just a reminder from the deacons

The first Sunday of the month is the loose change collection. If you have any loose change laying around the house bring it in and put it in the collection plate. That change will go to help feeding Local families and stocking local food pantries.



LIFE at ONEIDA
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Week of May 25th-June 1st

Sunday, May 25th
10 a.m. Worship
Remembrance Sunday

Monday, May 26th
Memorial Day Office Closed

Tuesday, May 27th

Wednesday, May 28th
3:00 p.m. Connection Youth Group

Thursday, May 29th
6:30 p.m. Session Meeting
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Friday, May 30th

Saturday, May 31st


Sunday, June 1st
10 a.m. Worship
Communion
Baccalaureate Sunday



ONEIDA AREA CIVIC CHORALE PRESENTS

Let There be Peace

Sunday,
June 1, 2025,
4:00 pm
Oneida High School
Auditorium



100 Voices Directed by Mark Bunce, Accompanied by
Jared McFarlin, Collaborative Pianist and Guest Musicians.

 \$10.00 Donation: Tickets Available from Chorale Members or scan the QR code to purchase tickets on Event Brite . Please visit our Facebook/Instagram pages or website (www.oneidachorale.org) for further information and ticket outlets.

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TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW

THE ONEIDA AREA CIVIC CHORALE WILL PRESENT “LET THERE BE PEACE”, A SELECTION OF MUSIC FROM Europe, Africa, and North America centering on peace in the world. The concert will be on Sunday, June 1, 2025 at 4:00 PM at Oneida High School Auditorium, Seneca Street, Oneida. The 110 voice Chorale, a community chorus under the direction of Mark Bunce, will be accompanied by Jared McFarlin on piano and joined by guest musicians. Tickets for the concert are \$10 and are available from Chorale members, at the door, and on the Chorale Website through EventBrite. Please refer to the OACC website (www.Oneidachorale.org) or Facebook page for additional information.

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

ELDERS

<u>CLASS OF 2025</u> Randy Bonville Frank Kordziel Lucille Merriman Pat Thorpe	<u>CLASS OF 2026</u> Paul Mancarella Perry Tooker IV
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CLASS OF 2027

DEACONS

<u>CLASS OF 2025</u> Sue Kordziel Rachel Mancarella John Merritt Kathy Nichols Jennawade Skellham Kristin Tooker Michelle Yeoman	<u>CLASS OF 2026</u>
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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

California Wild Fire victims

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS: Pray for those who are stationed in non-combat zones:
Zach Carpenter, Jason Murphy, Jack Sharkey, Mark Sia, Nicholas Young, Philip Messina, Ryan Geer, John Goodwill, Errol Crossman, Corey Reed, Andrew Fargo, Jim Jennings, Peter Thompson, Dylan McClelland, Sean Fuller Jr.

Those serving in combat zones:

MISSION EMPHASIS:
Church of the Lakes, Inlet



May Prayer Mission

One Great Hour of Sharing is the single largest way that Presbyterians come together to work for a better world by advancing the causes of Justice, resilience, and sustainability.

Through One Great Hour of

Sharing.....we stabilize, we strengthen those who are weak, we connect.

Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs,

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Presbyterian Hunger Program

Self-Development of People

There are three ways to give:

Through local donations to your church

Donate by credit card online at pcusa.org/give-oghs

Text OGHS to 91999

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.



Upcoming Blood Drives For May

Thursday, June 5th: Cazenovia American Legion

Cazenovia, NY

1:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Friday, June 6th; St. Paul's United Methodist Church

Oneida, NY

12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



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!



Birthdays

June 2 Bill Ausman
June 3 Andrew Opperman
June 7 Peter Oot
June 8 Cindy Bonville
June 12 Karen Leclau
June 13 Cathy Opperman
June 14 Jack Arnold, Georgia Fox,
Frank Sarensky
June 16 Linda Fox
June 17 Andrew Williams
June 18 Janet Sarensky
June 19 Donna Ausman
June 25 Mildred Johnson, Carol Miller,
Becky Williams, Bryn Mancarella
June 26 Marilyn Kingsley
June 30 Judy Floyd

Anniversaries

June 16 Randy and Cindy Bonville
June 27 Jack and Barb Arnold
Mike and Ann Oot
Ken and Ginny Drake
Dan and Gail Lehman
June 30 Jim and Dorothy Hotaling

**ONEIDA
BAPTIST
CHURCH**

**GRATEFULLY
WELCOMES**



**THE
MASTER'S
TOUCH
CHORALE**

COME CELEBRATE

OUR GOD'S

SENDING OF THE

**JUNE 7TH 3PM
242 MAIN ST.
ONEIDA**

HOLY SPIRIT!



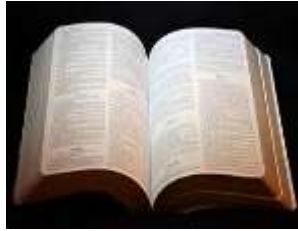
Collection Assistants for May/June

May 25th-Frank Kordziel

June 1st-Randy Bonville

June 8th-Lucille Merriman

June 15th-Paul Mancarella



Scripture Readers for May/June

May 25th-Pat Thorpe

June 1st-Barbara Schwartz

June 8th-Paul Mancarella

June 15th-Perry Tooker IV



Coffee Servers for May/June

May 25th-No Coffee Service

June 1st-Joy and Dylan Bartell

June 8th-Carol Miller and Janet Sarensky

June 15th-Doug & Rose Lockwood



Projection Team for May/June

May 25th-Dan Gwilt

June 1st-Paul Mancarella

June 8th-Trish Vrooman

June 15th-Dan Gwilt



PRAYER MISSION JUNE Gideons' International

The Gideons' International is an Association of Christian business and professional men and their wives dedicated to telling people about Jesus through sharing personally and by providing Bibles and New Testaments. While they are known worldwide for their work with hotels, they predominantly share Scriptures in schools and colleges, prisons and jails, hospitals, and medical offices. To date, they have placed 1.9 billion Scriptures and are on their way to 2 billion with your support. Follow them on that journey, as The Gideons' partner with churches anywhere, to reach the unreached everywhere. Please pray for them and learn more about how you can help at <http://www.gideons.org>

LAST DAY OF CHOIR

June 22nd will be the last day of choir until September. To show the congregation's appreciation for the lovely music that the choir brings each week, Fellowship will be holding a brunch that day following the service. The menu will include : Pork Sliders, Tossed Salad, Pasta salad, and watermelon. Tea, Coffee, and Lemonade will be available.

We hope to see you there!!!



*Our Carnations this Remembrance Sunday 2025
are given in memory of:*

*Betsy Anderson
Ralph Archer Sr.
Agnes Archer
Charles and Gertrude Arnold
Charles Barrett
Rita Barry
David Bonville
William & Norma Bonville
Mary Brittingham
C. Grant Brittingham
Richard Brown Jr.
Richard Brown Sr.
Irene Burns
Bob & Linda Butler
Rev. Bob Campbell
Gene Campbell
Donald & Annarose Catello
Mabel Catello
Rev. Archie Clark
Marjorie Clark*

*Hank Clark
Cora Clark
George Clark
Charles Clark
Gertrude Clark
Roberta Clark
Ruth Clark
Dorothy Clark
Helen Clark
Carl Clark
Brewster Clark
Theodore Clark
Mary Clark
Virginia Clark
Wally Clark
Walter Clark
Bob Colway
Christine Crandall
Sharon Dausman
Stacy Schaub DeClair
Peg Dreyer*



*Sharon Thorna
Betty Thorpe
Margaret Schuler Thorpe
Paulie Thorpe
Paul & Eleanor Thorpe
Nancy Tianello
Rick Tianello
Mary Kay Tracy
John & Rose Tomaino
Flossie & Eliot Turnbull
Sophia Walters
Gordon Wedge
Rev. Richard & Fran Weld
Barrie White
Cele White
Jim White
Tom White
John White
Ellen White
Philip White
Ruth & Theron Whipple
Alta & Robert Williams
Michael Wilczak
Thomas Wilczak*

*Adele Wolf
Paul Wolf
Robert A Wolf
Blanche Yorton
Bill Young*



Helen McCulley

Darla McGlynn

Dave Mellon

Al & Zaida Merrell

David & Sharon Merrell

Don & Jennie Merrell

Frank & Gladys Merrell

Herb & Betty Merrell

Larry Merrell

Pat & Willard Merrell

William & Mary Merrell

Edward Merriman

Arch & Helene Merritt

Joseph Merritt

Jane Merritt

Don Miller

Rev. James & Ginny Morley

Joanne Pelton

Harold & Gertrude Petrie

Edie & Herman Piersma

Katherine Pugh

Elaine Randall

Richard Randall

Dorothy Rann

Francis Rayome

Ethel Resseger

Mae Ripley

Harold and Ginny Root

Gladys Salemy

Megan Sandel

Gloria Sarensky

Edward Sarensky

Don and Ruth Schaub

Bob & Nora Schuler

Frederick (Bill) Seifert

Doris Seifert

William Seifert

Carl Skellham

Loretta Skellham

Clearance Skellham

Bill & Jan Spaulding

Paul and Frankie Spaulding

Rev. Cathy Stevenson

Doris & Jerry Streeter

Harriet Swallow

Judy Sweet

Bob and Betty Sweezy

Gil & Dot Thibaudeau



John DuChene

Vicki DuChene

Frank and Marie DuChene

Louis DuChene

Ralph Duchene

Owen & Annie Edwards

Ray & Anne Edwards

Janet & Joseph Farr

Thelma Flanders

Glen & Marilyn Fish

Mary and Larry Ford

Lonnie Fox Sr.

Merritt Fox

David Fox

Caleb Fox

Claretta Fox

Lewis Fox

Nettie Fox

Robert Fox

Susan Froass

Larry Franklin

Mr. and Mrs. Graham

Kara Sweet Gobron

Annette Grasso

Joseph Guadagno

Pat Heller

Sharon Ruth Hotaling

Jim Houseman

Walt & Pauline Houseknecht

Michael D. Hrim

Sarah Hrim

Helen & Paul Humphrey

Bob & Colleen Hyland

Ida Jacobyanski

Brian Lachut

Anna Latteri

Charles Latteri

Donna and Debbie Lighthall

Doug Lippert

Allan Little

Amy Little

John And Rhea Lindsey

Margaret Mancarella

Joseph Mancarella

Nancy Markowski

Peter Markowski

Raymond Markowski

Stella Mayer



2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 10 a.m. Worship Communion Baccalaureate Sunday	2	3	4 1 p.m. Seniors Bible Study 3 p.m. Connection 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts	5	6	7 5:30-8:00 p.m. Restoration Fellowship
8 10 a.m. Worship 11:15 a.m. Team Meetings	9 6:00 –8:00 p.m Activ8 Her (manse)	10	11 1 p.m. Seniors Bible Study 3 p.m. Connection 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts	12	13	14
15 10 a.m. Worship Father’s Day	16	17	18 1 p.m. Seniors Bible Study 3 p.m. Connection 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts	19	20	21 5:30-8:00 p.m. Restoration Fellowship
22 10 a.m. Worship Last Day of Choir 11:15 a.m. Fellowship Brunch Deacons meeting	23 6:00 –8:00 p.m Activ8 Her (manse) NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	24 6:30 p.m. Session meeting	25 1 p.m. Seniors Bible Study 3 p.m. Connection 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts	26	27	28
29 10 a.m. Worship	30					