



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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They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them

Acts 2:3-4

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

June 8, 2025

Pastor Michael L. Yeoman

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP



Genesis 11:1-9



Acts 2:1-21



John 14:8-17, 25-27

PRELUDE “Come Down, O Love Divine Prelude and Fugue on “Down Ampney”
Arr. by William Phemister

MORNING GREETINGS, JOYS AND CONCERNS

INTROIT “Come to Us, Spirit of God” by David Haas

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!

People: *We are gathered in this place to be filled with the fire of God’s love.*

Leader: The Spirit is moving—rushing like wind, stirring our souls, opening our mouths.

People: *We are ready to receive the power of God and speak the good news.*

Leader: Let every nation and tongue hear the wonders of our God.

People: *We are one body, many voices, made alive by the Spirit!*

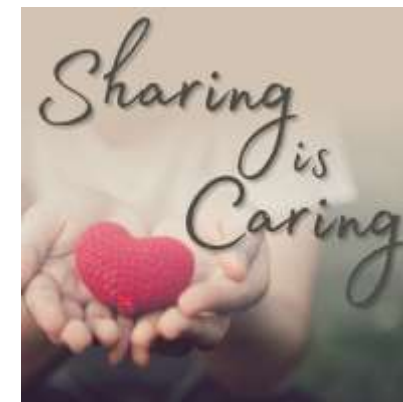
Leader: Come, let us worship the God who sends the Spirit to dwell among us.

All: *Come, Holy Spirit! Come, and make all things new!*

***OPENING HYMN**

“Let Every Christian Pray”

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A Generous Heart

Do not forget to do good and to share with others.

Hebrews 13:16

When soccer star Sadio Mane from Senegal was playing for Liverpool in the English Premier League, he was one of the world's highest-paid African players, making millions of dollars per year. Fans spotted a picture of Mane carrying an iPhone with a cracked screen and joked about him using the damaged device. His response was unflustered. “Why would I want ten Ferraris, twenty diamond watches , and two jet planes?” he asked. “I starved, I worked in the fields, played barefoot, and didn’t go to school. Now I can help people. I prefer to build schools and give poor people food and clothing. . . [Give] some of what life has given me.”

Mane knew how selfish it would be to hoard all his prosperity when so many of his neighbors back home struggled under crushing conditions. Hebrews reminds us that this generous way of life is for all of us, not only for those who are wealthy. “Do not forget to do good and to share with others,” the writer says, “for with such sacrifices God is pleased” (13:16). Nurturing a generous heart isn’t only the right thing to do, but according to Scripture, generosity also makes God smile. Who doesn't want to make God pleased?

Generosity isn’t defined simply by how much we give. Instead, generosity refers to the posture of our heart. One thing we can do that’s “pleasing to [God] (v.21) is to simply open our hands and share what we have.

From “Our Daily Bread”, June 12, 2025

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

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Come, Holy Spirit— like a rushing wind, breathe new life into your church. Like a cleansing fire, burn away all that keeps us from you. On this day of Pentecost, fill our hearts with your power, our minds with your truth, and our mouths with your praise. You spoke through prophets and disciples; speak through us now. You united strangers into one body; make us one in Christ today. You sent your people out with boldness; send us with courage and compassion to bear witness to your love. In the name of Jesus Christ our risen and ascended Lord, Amen.

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

On the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit moved with power and purpose, yet we often resist that same Spirit in our lives. Let us come honestly before God, confessing the ways we have closed ourselves off from the transforming wind and fire of grace.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)**

Spirit of the Living God, we confess that we have stifled your movement in our lives. You come with power, but we cling to our weakness. You speak through dreams and visions, but we silence your voice with doubt and fear. You burn with justice and joy, but we prefer comfort and control. Forgive us, O God. Break down the walls we have built, breathe new life into our weary hearts, and set our souls ablaze with your holy fire. Come, Holy Spirit—make us bold again. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear the good news: God's Spirit is not limited by our failures or fears. Even now, the wind of grace blows freely, and the fire of love still burns bright. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and set free.
All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

“Glory Be to the Father”

#579

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

CHILDREN’S TIME

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

ANTHEM *“Spirit, Come and Make Us One”* by Lee Dengler & Herb Frombach

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

OLD TESTAMENT	Genesis 11:1-9 The Word of the Lord	OT 8 Thanks be to God
NEW TESTAMENT	Acts 2:1-21 The Word of the Lord	NT 111 Thanks be to God
GOSPEL	John 14:8-17, 25-27 The Gospel of Jesus	NT 102 Thanks be to God
SERMON	“What Am I Supposed to Do With This Gift?” Pastor Mike	
*HYMN	“Spirit”	#319

***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



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

The Per Capita for
2025 is \$46

THANK YOU!!!!

Pat would like to thank everyone who paid ther per capita for 2025



REMINDER!!!!!!!!!!

Starting this month the monthly Team Meetings will be held on the
Second Sunday of the month.

THE LORD's PRAYER (in 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 “*Holy Spirit, Truth Divine (SONG 13)*” Arr. by David Paxton

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN “*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*” #315

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE “*Send Us Your Spirit*” by David Haas

POSTLUDE “*O Worship the King*” (LYONS) Arr. by Larry Shackley

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.



Our Graduates




LONG TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

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

SHORT TERM PRAYER CONCERNS

Xander Darrow

Debra Skellham


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.


From the Choir Director


As I finish up my first year here at OFPC, my next task is to schedule special talent presentations for the summer months when the choir is taking a well-deserved break! "Special Talents" is not restricted to music; in addition to singing and playing an instrument, there are many ways to praise God: liturgical dance, ASL interpretation of favorite hymns or worship songs, a poem or short literary work that speaks to the wonder of your faith, etc. Being a part of the church service as a young musician was the best experience to allow me to grow in skill as well as overcoming stage fright. It's a great opportunity for up-and-coming students to share, families can get together as well. No one is too young or too old, or not accomplished enough to share. There is also no requirement to be "good" at what you do--just the desire to give back to the Lord a part of the wondrous gifts He has given you. Brian is available to accompany, rehearsals will be set up, and if there is any interest in putting together the No-Commitment Choir, that is definitely a possibility! Perhaps we can pull out the handbells and put something together with just a couple of practices! I have lots of suggestions and ideas, so please talk to me after services, email me at bjseaton@usa.net or call 315-225-9452 and let's work something out.

TALK SAVES LIVES: AN INTRODUCTION TO SUICIDE PREVENTION

Talk Saves Lives is the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's leading education program on suicide prevention, covering the scope of the issue, warning signs, risk factors, and proven prevention strategies.

 Monday, July 21, 2025
10:00-12:00 pm

 Oneida Public Library
459 Main St, Oneida

 This session is 45-60 minutes and will be followed by a brief discussion of suicide prevention.

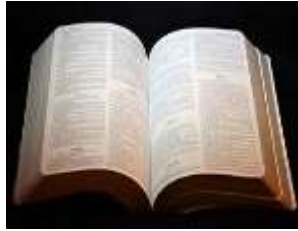
 Contact Us
315.697.3947



Please call or scan QR code to register for this free training.



SUICIDE
PREVENTION
COALITION
OF MADISON COUNTY
1114 EAST 104TH



Collection Assistants for June

- June 8th-Lucille Merriman
- June 15th-Paul Mancarella
- June 22nd-Randy Bonville
- June 29th-Frank Kordziel

Scripture Readers for June

- June 8th-Paul Mancarella
- June 15th-Perry Tooker IV
- June 22nd-Lou White
- June 29th-Frank Kordziel

Coffee Servers for June

- June 8th-Carol Miller and Janet Sarensky
- June 15th-Doug & Rose Lockwood
- June 22nd-Ian and Michele Farwell
- June 29th-Leigh and Joe Silkowski

Projection Team for June

- June 8th-Trish Vrooman
- June 15th-Dan Gwilt
- June 22nd-Paul Mancarella
- June 29th-Trish Vrooman

ELDERS

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

CLASS OF 2027

DEACONS

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

CLASS OF 2027

**FAMILY AND FRIENDS
WHO ARE GRIEVING FOR:
Mildred Johnson (Nancy James' sister-in-law)**

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:
Forest Presbyterian Church, Lyons Falls



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!!!



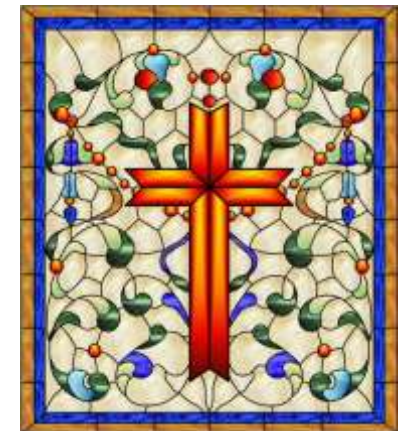
Upcoming Blood Drives For May

Thursday, June 12th: Charles Miller American Legion
Canastota, NY
2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
Verona, NY
12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Friday, June 13th; Oneida American Legion
Oneida, NY
12:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Sherrill Community Activity Center
Sherrill, NY
1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.



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.

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!



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 June 8th-June 15th

- Sunday, June 8th
10 a.m. Worship
11:15 a.m. Team Meetings
- Monday, June 9th
6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Activ8 HER (JWCC)
- Tuesday, June 10th
- Wednesday, June 11th
1:00 p.m. Seniors Bible Study
3:00 p.m. Connection Youth Group
- Thursday, June 12th
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice
- Friday, June 13th
- Saturday, June 14th
Restoration Fellowship 6:00-8:00 p.m. (JWCC)
- Sunday, June 15th
10 a.m. Worship

