

## THE PEOPLE GATHER

### **GATHERING MUSIC & THE RINGING OF THE BELL**

#### **WELCOME**

Barry Walch, Greeting Elder

*Please Stand And Greet Your Neighbors!*

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **CHORAL INTROIT**

Jeanne-Minette Cilliers

#### \* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

*One:* The doors are open; the good shepherd calls.

Come to find a place of comfort and safety.

*Many:* We turn away from our weariness and fear;

We leave behind our anxiety and cares.

*One:* There is bread here to feed the entire world;

there are still waters to refresh every soul.

*Many:* We would devote ourselves to learning and praying.

We seek to live in genuine community

*One:* There are tasks for all of glad and generous heart.

Find strength in this hour to follow Jesus' steps.

*Many:* Praise God for this time apart;

praise God for refreshment and renewal.

#### \* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #150 "As With Gladness Men of Old" NPH

\* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

O God, it is so easy to stray from the best we know. Before we realize it, we are lost in our fears, dominated by life's shadows, and preoccupied with our own suffering. We complain of our lot, even though our cups overflow with your goodness and mercy. We are reluctant givers and ineffective followers. Turn us around, God, for we want to be disciples. Amen.

\* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

\* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles' Creed**  
(Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

\* **GLORIA PATRI** (Unison) #581 NPH

\* **THE PEACE** (Response: "And also with you.")

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Acts 2:42-47

Pg. 120 NT

### **TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART**

*(Children Leave For Church School Afterwards.)*

### **ANTHEM**

**SERMON** "Strangers, Neighbors, Friends, and Family - Our Church"

Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

### **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #610 "O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing" (vs. 1, 2, 4)

### **RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP**

*(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)*

### **OFFERING**

*(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs as you exit the sanctuary following worship.)*

### **SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER**

*(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)*

\* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison, Inside Cover of the Hymnal.)

\* **SACRED MUSIC** #708 "We Give Thee But Thine Own" NPH

\* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION** (Seated)

### **POSTLUDE**

HaEun Yang

*\* Congregation standing; as each person desires.*



*The members and friends of the Canton First Presbyterian Church on the Park are hereby called to a meeting of the congregation today, immediately following worship. The agenda for the meeting will be the election of a Deacon, and the consideration and approval of church By-Laws.*

## PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer John Goetze, Jimmy Gibson, Doug Wingerath, Patti LaRock, Marcia Hayden, Bev and Jerry Findley, Bob Fraser, Wanda Renick, Mark and Nancy Brown, Carolyn O'Connor, Bill and Karen Parker, Lew Shepard, Marilyn Coir, Christa Lyon, Vern and Arvilla Aldous, Rich Denison, Colleen Grant, Janet Favro, and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; those serving our nation and their families who support them; parents raising children and children caring for parents.

Director of Music	Jeanne-Minette Cilliers
Pianist	HaEun Yang
Church School Director:	Andrea Montgomery
Congregational Coordinator	Linda Potter
Office Coordinator:	Christy Dekay

**The password for our church wifi network is: Lakew00d4331a**

### AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

- |                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Sunday 4/26/26   | - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)<br>- Bring a Friend To Church Day<br>- Congregational Meeting (11:15 a.m. Sanctuary)<br>- Strategic Planning Elder Meeting (12 p.m. CR) |
| Monday 4/27/26   | - Session Meeting (7 p.m. Conference Room)  |
| Tuesday 4/28/26  | - Evening Book Group (7 p.m. FH)  |
| Thursday 4/30/26 | - Choir Practice (7 p.m. Choir Room)  |
| Sunday 5/3/26    | - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)<br>- Deacon and Food Offering<br>- Communion  |

**Birthdays:** Tim Cryderman (Tuesday); Jimmy Gibson (Wednesday); Rachel Syvertsen (Saturday)

# The First Presbyterian Church on the Park

The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)



**they broke bread  
at home and  
ate their food  
with glad and  
generous hearts,  
praising God and  
having the  
goodwill of all  
the people.** Acts 2:46-47, NRSV

17 Park Street  
Canton, New York 13617  
Christy Dekay, Office Coordinator  
Office@ChurchOnThePark.org  
Hours Tuesday & Thursday 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Phone: (315) 386-2570  
www.ChurchOnThePark.org  
Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro, Pastor  
RevMike@ChurchOnThePark.org  
Mornings M-W & By Appointment

Founded March 1807 - Celebrating Over 200 Years Of Embracing The Grace!

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

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 & 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.

## **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessing flow.  
Praise Him (God) all creatures here below.  
Praise Him (God) above ye heavenly hosts.  
Praise Father (Creator), Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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.