

# *First Presbyterian Church of Dryden*

*Established 1808*

*Sunday, September 3, 2023*



*We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ,  
feed the hungry, welcome the stranger,  
and love our neighbors as ourselves.*

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AND THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES EACH ONE A GIFT SO THAT ALL PEOPLE MAY BE HELPED.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:7 WE

PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, & GATHERING PRAYER

✝ HYMN                    “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”                    #354

✝ CALL TO WORSHIP

Call:                    Lord, make us catalyysts of your shalom.

**Response:**        *Where rage consumes, help us establish love.*

Call:                    Where insults bruise, help us soothe wounds.

**Response:**        *Where strife separates, help us come together.*

Call:                    Where skeptics mock, help us affirm hope.

**Response:**        *Where worry overwhelms, help us feed faith.*

Call:                    Where shadows hover, help us sing life.

**Response:**        *Where hearts weep, help us weep alongside.*

Call:                    Lord, may we comfort others, even when we are dispirited.

**Response:**        *May we accept all people, even when we are rejected.*

Call:                    May we cherish your children, even when we are abandoned.

**Response:**        *For by scattering seeds, we yield the harvest.*

Call:                    By restoring justice, we are freed.

**Response:**        *By laying ourselves down, we are found. Amen.*

✝ HYMN                    “How Firm a Foundation”                    #275

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY        Leadership Lesson

WELCOME FRIENDS AT HOME



## Welcome to our Church!

Thank you for worshiping with us. If you are a visitor, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card, which you will find in the pew rack. You can place the card in the offering plate. Let us know if we can assist you.

### Church Calendar

Sun. Sep. 3 10:00 a.m. Worship (**Last day of summer hours**)  
Mon. Sep. 4 Labor Day Office and Kitchen Cupboard closed  
Wed. Sep. 6 5:00 p.m. Kitchen Cupboard  
Fri. Sep. 8 11:00 a.m. Kitchen Cupboard  
Sun. Sep. 10 **10:30 a.m.** Worship (**Fall hours begin**)

### For Prayer

Dave Gross, Dave & Kathleen Gross's daughter and son-in-law,  
Gretchen and Andy Durand, and baby Eamon.  
Sarah Wilkins Kulas and Rhonda Haftman (Larry King's sister).

**WEB Snack for September:** Instant oatmeal packets

**Next-to-New/Rummage sale** will be held on **October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>**. If you would be willing to help, please let Sue Bahny know or sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall.

Planning Meeting: Sunday, October 8, after coffee hour  
Set-up: Tuesday, October 10 (tbd)  
Donations: Wednesday, October 11, 9:00 a.m. – noon; and  
Thursday, October 2, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Sale: Friday, October 13, 10:00 a.m.– 2:00 p.m.  
Saturday, October 14, 9:00 a.m.- noon

**Parking Lot & Driveway Repair Drive** - The cost for repair work to the driveway and parking lot is \$20,960. Please give/pledge any contributions with a note, "Parking Lot Drive". Any support is greatly appreciated.

### Sunday Servants

<u>Ushering:</u>	Fran Sincerbeaux	<u>AV System:</u>	Tim & Dave Parsons
<u>Music Director:</u>	Scott Miller	<u>Flowers:</u>	Fran Sincerbeaux
<u>Preacher:</u>	Nancy Didway	<u>Greeter:</u>	MJ Uttech

*All for the glory of God.*

# Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

## Verse 1:

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

## Refrain:

Leaning (on Jesus), leaning (on Jesus),  
Safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning (on Jesus), leaning (on Jesus),  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

## Verse 2:

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
O, how bright the path grows from day to day,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

## Refrain

## Verse 3:

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

## Refrain

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman

Music: *Showalter*, Anthony J. Showalter

## How Firm a Foundation

### Verse 1:

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say than to you He has said,  
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

### Verse 2:

“Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed,  
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

### Verse 3:

“When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply:  
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine.

### Verse 4:

“The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose  
I will not, I will not desert to its foes;  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I’ll never, no, never, no, never forsake!”

Text: Rippon’s *Selection of Hymns*, 1787

Music: *Foundation*, Traditional American melody; Caldwell’s *Union Harmony*, 1837

## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessing flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.

Text: Thomas Ken

Music: Old Hundredth, Genevan Psalter, 1551; attributed to Louis Bourgeois

# Here I Am, Lord

## Verse 1:

I, the Lord of sun and sky,  
I have heard My people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

## Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard You calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord, if You lead me.  
I will hold Your people in my heart.

## Verse 2:

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them;  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak My word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

## Refrain

## Verse 3:

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
Till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give My life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

## Refrain