

OPEQUON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



GOD ISN'T FINISHED WITH US YET!

2016 Summer Worship & Preaching Series

WELCOME! This historic church began worship on these grounds in 1732 and was organized in 1736. We are dedicated to “prayerfully equipping disciples of all generations to be Christ’s hands, heart and feet in the world.” We are strengthened today by your presence whether guest or member. Go forth, blest and renewed because you were here this day!

INFORMATION FOR OUR GUESTS

To get the most out of your visit, may we recommend you familiarize yourself with the following:

- **We encourage you to share requests for prayer.** You may do so by completing the pink form found in the pew rack and placing it in the offering.
- **Trust your children to the care of our dedicated, loving workers!** The nursery rooms are located through the Gathering Area, down the Gallery and through the Dell Room. An usher will be happy to escort you. Our nursery ministry cares for infants and toddlers to age three.
- **Worship Bags are available for children ages 3-kindergarten.** These bags, located in the back of the Sanctuary, should not be taken to Children's Worship. Please return the bag and supplies to the bin when you are leaving.
- **Look forward to taking part in a Sunday School class each week.** Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. each Sunday. There are classes for all ages and interests.
- **Restrooms and a coat rack** are located off the Gathering Area, just outside the Sanctuary.
- **A water fountain** is located off the Gathering Area.
- **Large-print hymnals, Bibles and bulletins** are available from an usher.
- **Personal hearing assistance devices** are available from an usher if you would like to use one.
- **Transportation can be provided to worship.** Call the church office, 662-1843, before 12:30 p.m. on Friday.

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SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 12, 2016

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

Please use this time to prepare for the worship of God.

Please complete the Friendship folder and pass it along during the greeting.

PRAYER REQUEST forms are inside the pew racks—please place in offering plate.

†All who are able, please stand.

Bold print—all respond

THE CHURCH BELL RINGS

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ENTRANCE OF THE WORD AND THE LIGHT

†GATHERING SONG NO. 626 *As the Deer*

†CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 146)

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Happy are those who help is in the God of Jacob.

The Lord sets prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind.

God lifts those who are bowed down and loves the righteous.

God watches over strangers and upholds widows and orphans.

Praise the Lord, God of all generations.

Brothers and sisters, we have met to worship. Let us adore the Lord our God.

†HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 396..... *Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

(Please be seated for prayer)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Happy are those whose hope is in the Lord their God, who lifts up those who are bowed down. Let us humble ourselves and confess our sin.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, forgive us. We are blind to our own brokenness, yet focused on the failings of others. We are deaf to the cries of those who need us, numb to the need of those who hurt. We are silent when words are needed, impotent when action is required. Lord, hear our anguish, pity our brokenness, speak life and forgiveness to our weary souls.

MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Beloved, hear the good news: through Christ we are forgiven! Our hope is in the Lord our God, who keeps faith with us forever. God’s mercy is everlasting!

LITANY OF PARDON

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

†THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 71 *Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me*

†PASSING OF THE PEACE (Please share this prayer with those near you.)

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC..... *In The Hands of the Lord*

Jennie Wright, soprano, Susan Homan, accompanist

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 50:15-21 Pew Bible p. 42

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Philippians 1:12-19.....Pew Bible p. 953

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN..... “Under Construction”

Nursery (Ages Infant – Age 3)

†HYMN NO. 463..... *How Firm a Foundation*

SERMON..... “Turning Stumbling Blocks into Stepping Stones”

Pastor David R. Witt

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN NO. 488 *I Was There to Hear Your Boring Cry*

†THE DOXOLOGY (Hymnal No. 606) AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00) Adalyn Ann Dantro

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

(Hymnal No. 35, we say "debts" and "debtors" in the prayer.)

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

†HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 838..... *Standing on the Promises*

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 748 *Go with Us, Lord*

**Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.**

†POSTLUDE

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY

8:30 a.m.

Acolyte: Sydney Burton
Beadle: Betty Chicklo, June Malone
Bell Ringer: Mo Mohler
Greeters: Heather & Mark Leonard
Hospitality: Dom Cafaro, Heide Mohler
Liturgist: Tom Tandy
Ushers: Cheyenne & Sydney Burton, Pat Heavner,
Brayden Rockwell, Dick Widell

11:00 a.m.

Acolyte: Jonathan Lightcap
Beadle: Dan Cammer
Bell Ringer: Kristin Blake, Bailey Cooper, AnnMarie & James Kelly
Greeters: Holly & Nathan Lightcap
Hospitality: Betty Ganoë, Debi Hodgson
Liturgist: Jack Drumheller
Nametags: Dulcie Reed
Ushers: Adalyn Astorino, Jason Hathaway, Kyle Homan,
Jonathan Lightcap, Bill Robinson, Addison Williams

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 12-19, 2016

TODAY

8:30 a.m.: Morning Worship
9:45 a.m.: Spiritual Growth Class—Bageant Room
9:45 a.m.: Acolyte, Beadle, Usher, Greeter Training—Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.: Morning Worship, Baptism
4:30 p.m.: Vacation Bible School

THIS WEEK

Monday: WLT Kids—10:00 a.m.—Gathering Area
Vacation Bible School—4:30 p.m.
Men of Opequon—6:00 p.m.—Winchester Royals Game
ESL—7:00 p.m.

Tuesday: Tuesday Morning Mission—9:30 a.m.
—Home of the Baccarys
WLT Kids—10:00 a.m.—Gathering Area
Vacation Bible School—4:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Staff Meeting—9:30 a.m.—Bageant Room
WLT Kids—10:00 a.m.—Gathering Area
TVOR Lunch Bunch—12:00 Noon
Vacation Bible School—4:30 p.m.
Wiffleball—7:00 p.m.—Body Renew

Thursday: WLT Kids—10:00 a.m.—Gathering Area
Vacation Bible School—4:30 p.m.

Friday: WLT Kids—10:00 a.m.—Gathering Area

Saturday: Men's Lectio Divina—8:00 a.m.—Bageant Room
Habitat for Humanity "Rock the Block"—8:45 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY—Father's Day

Morning Worship—8:30 & 11:00 a.m.
Spiritual Growth Class —9:45 a.m.
Philippians 1:18b-26

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Marj Praml
Peter Schieve
Warden Jenkins
Linda Clem
Tubbs/Seidel Family
Gary Snapp
Scarlett Kibler
Linda Dixon
Sandi Pulizzi
Dick Crane
Roy Bayliss
Charlotte Cottrell
Ed Golightly
Jeanette Baccary
Annette Daggett
Paula McNichols
Mike McKiernan
Linda Dixon
Tom Lion
Dalton Chicklo
John Burchett

Marcia Jaureguizar
Nancy Lewis
Nancy Simmons
Josh Beeler
Lauren Chambers
Deborah Kron
Lanette Orduna
Kevin Paquette
Anna Gerringer
Gene Fish
Jill Call
Wanda Royston
Donna Coffman
Mary Ann Leon
Mo Carr
Rozann Evers
Mettu, Ethiopia
Donna Klinefelter
Cyndi Taylor
Barbara Spitznogle
Patricia & Ray Ferguson

Terry & Diane Sinclair
Clay Knick
Carolyn Newman
Doug Pittsnogle
Dorothy Rogers
Colleen McMurdo
Jane Lewis
Gretchen Cooley
Paula Tobin
Natalie Miller
Frank Vardeman
Dottie Edwards
Larry Matthews
Doug Koch
Michael Keister
Illubabor Bethel Synod of
Church Mekane Yesus
People Looking for Work &
Challenged by the Economy

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICE

Taylor McMurdo, Greg Sousa, Scott Sydnor, Jerry Morgan and their families.

ATTENDANCE, SUNDAY, JUNE 5TH: 8:30 a.m.— 91 11:00 a.m.— 97

THROUGH THE WATERS OF BAPTISM

We welcome Adalyn Ann Dantro into the baptized membership of Opequon this morning. Adalyn is the daughter of Philip and Heather Dantro, the younger sister of Garrett and the granddaughter of Glenn and Lisa Kochel. May God's Spirit rest upon her and may we, as her church family, nurture and love her.

SPIRITUAL GROWTH CLASS CONTINUING

A Sunday morning adult class is being offered this summer. This class meets in the Bageant Room. During June, the class time is 9:45 a.m., and then in July and August, the class time is 8:45 a.m. You may be interested in today's topic: "Homosexuality @ The Center/The Questions of War." Beginning June 19, the summer study on the Gospel of Mark will begin, facilitated by Gary Strickler.

IT is SURF SHACK TIME!

Our sensational week of Vacation Bible School is upon us! Surf Shack, our 2016 VBS theme, begins tonight 4:30-7:30 p.m. and continues through Thursday night. 'Lifeguards' are on duty and we are ready to share in all the fun through Games, Science, Storytelling, Art, Music, and a special guest speaker. Dinner is served each evening along with a host of surprises around each corner as we get surfin' to catch the wave of God's amazing love. Thank you for all your support of this vibrant week at OPC. A closing celebration picnic for VBS participants and families will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday. There will be some limbo contests and a great balloon launch. What a great summer week it will be!

COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS

The Community Garden is looking for volunteers to help with watering, weeding and harvesting. You don't have to have a green thumb to help! Please visit signupgenius.com/go/opcgarden to view the calendar and sign up to help. Or you can sign up on the list in the Gathering Area. Have questions? Please contact Leslie Tucker (leslietucker@verizon.net) or Clare Milburn (milburncm@appstate.edu).

Also, it's almost time to begin harvesting vegetables. Donations of plastic grocery bags and newspaper are needed to help with collecting and delivering the crops to the food pantry. Drop boxes are in the Gathering Area now and through the summer.

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME...!!

Our Men of Opequon (MOO) are going to the ballpark tomorrow night to watch the Winchester Royals take on the Harrisonburg Turks. Men, women, boys and girls are invited! Your \$15 ticket will include a grilled picnic supper (at 6:00 p.m.) and the game. Our own David Witt will be singing the National Anthem and Mike Butler will be throwing out the first pitch. Game time is 7:00 p.m. You may purchase your tickets at the gate that night. For more information, contact Mike Butler at 540-533-1239 or mbutler57@outlook.com.

STAFF SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Cathy Richard will be on vacation this Friday, June 17, serving as a Winchester District delegate to the Virginia Annual Conference for the United Methodist Church. Denise Weidele will fill in.

Upcoming Mission Opportunity:
Being Christ's hands, heart, & feet in the world

Habitat for Humanity - Rock the Block!

This Saturday 8:45 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Habitat is having a city-wide day of service, mulching, painting, sprucing up the neighborhood (no construction skills required). Join the Opequon team in this community-wide rebuilding project! They are also seeking people to help prepare lunch if that's more up your alley. Sign up with Kevin TODAY!

PYC NEWS

Upcoming Summer Youth Events:

Hershey Park

Thursday, July 7th, ALL DAY, 8:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m., Cost: \$45/person which includes Admission and 1 Meal Ticket (entree, side, drink).

Mission Trip to Asheville, NC – July 17-22—Rising 7th Graders through Graduating 12th Graders

Church-Wide Nationals Baseball Game

Friday, August 5th, 4:00 p.m.– Midnight

Cost: \$50/person - includes ticket and transportation

Sign up Deadline: Sunday, June 26th, with \$25 deposit

GLOW: GOD-LOVING OPEQUON WOMEN

Opequon ladies; heads up! Our regular meeting time WOULD be this week, however with it being VBS week, we will gather NEXT Tuesday, June 21 at 7:00 p.m. Weather permitting, we will gather in the Pitcock Memorial Shelter for an ICE CREAM SUNDAE PARTY. Come make a sundae to your own liking and enjoy the fellowship together as we share devotion time outdoors and work together to carry out a Random Act of Kindness!

CHURCH-WIDE, ALL AGES BASEBALL TRIP

Close out the summer with a ballgame—Washington Nationals vs. San Francisco Giants on Friday, August 5th, 4:00 p.m. – 12 Midnight. The cost is \$50/person which includes ticket and transportation. The deadline to sign up is Sunday June 26th, with a \$25 deposit. The game starts at 7:00 p.m., we plan to leave the church at 4:00 p.m. Youth in grades 6-12 may come unaccompanied; children 5th grade and below must be accompanied by an adult chaperone or parent. Contact Kevin at associate@opequonchurch.com for details or to sign up.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Sunday	God Creates—Genesis 1
Monday	God Helps—Exodus 2:1-10
Tuesday	God Loves—Matthew 3:13-17, John 1:29-34
Wednesday	God Calms—Luke 8:22-25
Thursday	God Sends—John 21:1-17

A Prayer for Vacation Bible School

Abundant and Energetic God, you fill your world with a season of summer delights. Sunshine, warm breezes, a slower pace to enjoy your creation. Fill us with the joy of this season.

We gather around your Word in the midst of our summer. May our days together lead to new friendships, new activity, new insights, and a strengthened relationship with you. May your Spirit shower upon our teachers, leaders, and volunteers; giving energy, creativity, and patience. May your love embrace the children and young people who join us for Bible School so they may come to know you more deeply. May your people experience good fellowship in these days as we study, create, and play.

Bless us, O God, as we seek to learn from your Word and to share your love. As you gather us in for summer Bible School, send us out beyond this place to show the world what we have come to know: that your grace and welcome and wonder are for all. We pray in the name of your Son. Amen.

OPC 280 IS HERE AND CONTINUES!

On April 17th, following the 11:00 a.m. worship service, the Administration Ministry officially kicked off the OPC 280 Capital Campaign honoring Opequon Church's 280 years of ministry. As was evidenced by the slide presentation which is playing today out in the Gathering Area, the facility needs of Opequon are many and varied.



There are informational sheets located in the Gathering Area. The slide presentation and FAQs will also be available for download on the church website.

The main goal of OPC 280 is to solve long term facility issues around Opequon as well as reestablishing a rainy day fund specifically for facility needs in order to prevent withdrawals from church reserves. A byproduct of the OPC 280 effort is the freeing up of monies that would normally compete with other important ministries including mission opportunities.

You'll notice an OPC 280 envelope & donor card in the pews. As you feel called and ready to make your commitment to Opequon's future, please fill out the card and drop it in the offering plate. Our goal of \$280,000 is ambitious, but the needs of the church are great and worthy. **As of June 5th the OPC team has collected approximately \$90,000 in donations.** This is a great start, but we still have a journey ahead to reach our stated goal by July 1st. Your help is still needed. Please take some time to consider what you can do for Opequon.

"According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ."

1 Corinthians 3:10-11

Young Adult - 20's & 30's News

For all Young Adults in their 20's and 30's in all stages of life
(young professionals, newlyweds, married with kids, college students, graduate students)

Wiffle Ball

June 15—7:00 p.m., June 22—8:00 p.m., June 29—8:00 p.m.
July 6—7:00 p.m., July 13—7:00 p.m., July 20—7:00 p.m.,
July 27—7:00 p.m.

Save the Date - Young Adult Brunch after Worship

Sunday, July 10th, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

COME CELEBRATE THE SUMMER SOLSTICE

**AT HEDGEBROOK FARM
SUNDAY, JUNE 26 AT 6:30 P.M.**

Time to welcome summer! Come share a meal with family and friends at the Community Garden picnic. There's a scavenger hunt for the kids. Take a tour of the garden and see the bounty the garden team is preparing for harvest. The farm animals are sure to visit and entertain. It's a great way to end a summer afternoon!

Grilled meats, beverages, condiments, and all the paper products, as well as eating and serving utensils, will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share as well as lawn chairs for your family.

