

# 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.
- **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

July 3, 2016

10:00 a.m.

## Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

### WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

#### PRE-SERVICE PATRIOTIC CONCERT

*Meditation on "America"      His Truth is Marching On*

*The Star Spangled Banner* (remain seated)

*Yankee Doodle      Stars and Stripes Forever*

PIANO PRELUDE ..... *O Beautiful for Spacious Skies*

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. 413 ..... *Come into God's Presence*

#### †CALL TO WORSHIP

But now - faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian,  
**for in Christ Jesus we are all children of God through faith.**

Because we were baptized into Christ

**and because we have clothed ourselves with Christ.**

*Men: There is no longer Jew or Greek*

*Women: There is no longer slave or free*

*All: There is no longer male or female for all of us are one in Christ  
Jesus.*

†HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 35.....*Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

(Please be seated for prayer)

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Now, before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law  
until faith would be revealed. But now that faith has come, we are all  
children of God through faith. As children of God, let us now confess our

sins before God and one another, having faith in God's loving forgiving in Jesus Christ.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Like children, we fear that if we tell you what we have done, God of Justice, you might not love us anymore. We can stifle the dreams of those around us with a word, spoken or withheld. We can make the lives of our friends miserable, instead of sharing a miracle. We are filled with temptations which only leave us empty and wanting more. Forgive us, Gracious Father. Remind us that we are no longer sinners, but your children. Baptized, we are clothed in the graciousness and faithfulness of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, who came that we might be set free of all that imprisons us.**

MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God forgives us, so we might be new people. God equips us, so we might serve others. God sends us forth, so we might be a witness to everyone we meet. In Christ Jesus, no one is the same: enemies are now our friends; those we could not trust now become our confidants; those we could not hear now speak to us of God's hope and joy.

LITANY OF PARDON

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

†THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 616 (Sing 2x)

..... *Our God is an Awesome God*

†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.....*Patriotic Medley*

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 43 .....Pew Bible p. 448

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Galatians 3:23-29.....Pew Bible p. 947

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

Nursery (Ages Infant – Age 3)

†HYMN NO. 317 ..... *In Christ There Is No East or West*

SERMON..... “Children of God, One in Christ Jesus”

Rev. Kevin Hay

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ..... *Jubilation on "McKee"*

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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

May the God who makes us one in Christ be with you!

**And also with you!**

God speaks to us in the still, small whispers of grace.

**May our hearts resound with the thunder of God’s hope.**

Heirs of wonder and peace, rejoice in the One who sends you out to serve.

**Our voices echo the glad songs of those who are our sisters and brothers in faith.** (the prayer continues)

... As we stand before the Table of grace, as we greet our sisters and brothers in Christ, we lift our voices in songs of thanksgiving:

**Holy, holy, holy, God of sheer wonder and joy. All creation praises you, our help, our Maker! Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes to justify us by his faithfulness. Hosanna in the highest!** (the prayer continues)

... As we come to the feast he shares with friends, as we celebrate the joy which is ours through him, we would speak of that mystery called faith:

**Christ died, emptying himself for all people; Christ was raised, so we might empty ourselves for all around us; Christ will come again, to lead us home to you, where we will be filled with life forever.**

(the prayer continues)

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal p. 35, we say "debts" and "debtors" in the prayer)

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Communion Music *One Bread, One Body*

*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*.....Jennie Wright, soloist

Communion Prayer

## WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

†HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 340..... *This Is My Song*

†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

## COMMUNION TODAY IS BY INTINCTION

We will come forward to the communion table to receive the sacrament by intinction. Each section of pews should move to the left as directed by the ushers. Gluten-free bread and gluten free grape juice (blue cup) are available in the center section; please see an usher for assistance. Please tear off a piece of bread and then dip it in the cup of grape juice, eating immediately. Return to your seat by the right aisle. Elders and deacons serving are: Susan & Kyle Homan, Edwina Johansen, Bill Burslem, Robin Owens and Graham Taylor.

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY

Acolyte: Kristin Blake  
Beadle: Mac McNichols  
Bell Ringer: Mo Mohler  
Greeters: Karen & Ray Jones  
Hospitality: Mary Himelright  
Liturgist: Terry Hartman  
Nametags: Pat deButts  
Ushers: Kristin Blake, Pat Heavner, Cole Owens,  
Dulcie Reed, Graham Taylor

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 3-10, 2016

## TODAY

- 8:45 a.m.: Spiritual Growth Class—Bageant Room  
9:45 a.m.: Patriotic Concert—Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m.: Morning Worship, Communion, CCAP

## THIS WEEK

- Monday: Independence Day—Church Office Closed  
Tuesday: Congregational Care Ministry—6:00 p.m.—Bageant Room  
Wednesday: Staff Meeting—9:30 a.m.—Bageant Room  
Wiffle Ball—7:00 p.m.—Body Renew  
Thursday: Laser Tag & Ice Cream—6:00 p.m.

## NEXT SUNDAY

- Spiritual Growth Class —8:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:00 a.m. Only  
Matthew 13:1-9, 18-33  
Guest Speaker: Carrie Burslem Evans,  
Teaching Elder/Pastor, Shenandoah Presbytery  
Commissioning of Mission Trip Teams (Asheville Youth Mission & Baja, Mexico)  
Young Adult Brunch—11:30 a.m.—IJ Canns

## STAFF SCHEDULES THIS WEEK

David Witt continues on vacation through Saturday, July 16. Carole Witt will begin vacation this Wednesday, July 6. If a pastoral concern arises, please call Pastor Kevin at 910-212-2366.

## SUMMER ADULT CLASS

A Sunday morning adult class continues each Sunday this summer. It meets in the Bageant Room at 8:45 a.m. The study focuses on the Gospel of Mark and is facilitated by Gary Strickler. All adults are welcome!

## JUST FOR KIDS

Happy Summer OPC children! Stop by the “Just for Kids” table in the Gathering Area and take a flag that is there for you. Attached to each flag is a summer idea for being a Godly Kid, even during these summer days. Enjoy your very own little flag. Realize God is with you through each summer day.

## **PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Istanbul, Turkey Bombing  
Victims  
Al Owens  
West Virginia Flood Victims  
Phyllis Dilley  
Joan  
Roy Bayliss Family  
Nancy Lloyd  
Betty Bly  
Barbara Spitznogle  
Calvin McCracken  
Orlando Mass Shooting  
Victims & Families  
Bill Pursel  
Scarlett Kibler  
Marj Praml  
Peter Schieve  
Warden Jenkins  
Linda Clem  
Gary Snapp  
Linda Dixon  
Sandi Pulizzi

Ed Golightly  
Paula McNichols  
Mike McKiernan  
Tom Lion  
John Burchett  
Marcia Jaureguizar  
Nancy Lewis  
Nancy Simmons  
Josh Beeler  
Lauren Chambers  
Deborah Kron  
Lanette Orduna  
Kevin Paquette  
Anna Gerringer  
Gene Fish  
Wanda Royston  
Donna Coffman  
Mo Carr  
Rozann Evers  
Mettu, Ethiopia  
Donna Klinefelter  
Cyndi Taylor

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, and their families.

**ATTENDANCE, SUNDAY, JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup>:** 8:30 a.m.—98 11:00 a.m.—93

## **WV PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

Looking for ways to support our neighbors suffering from floods in West Virginia? You can donate through Opequon Church (Write PDA DR000191-U.S. Flooding on the memo line). In addition to prayers and donations, they have also made appeals for volunteers to begin the work of rebuilding, including those experienced in performing damage assessments. Furthermore, they are seeking volunteers willing and able to provide pastoral care. They are not seeking any supplies at this time until it is clear exactly what may be most needed and helpful. If you'd like to explore ways to volunteer - please talk to Kevin - [associate@opequonchurch.com](mailto:associate@opequonchurch.com).

## **CHURCH-WIDE, ALL AGES BASEBALL TRIP**

Close out the summer with a ballgame—Washington Nationals vs. San Francisco Giants on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m. – 12 Midnight. The cost is \$50/person which includes ticket and transportation. The deadline to sign up is TODAY, 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 5<sup>th</sup> grade and below must be accompanied by an adult chaperone or parent. Contact Kevin for details or sign up at [associate@opequonchurch.com](mailto:associate@opequonchurch.com).

### **“THESE DAYS” DEVOTIONALS**

The July-September issue of These Days are available in the Gathering Area. Some of the featured topics include ‘Finding Rest’, ‘Psalms and Everyday Faith’, ‘The Power of God’, and ‘When Life is Difficult’. Feel free to take a copy while the supply lasts. If you are interested in having a personal subscription to "These Days," simply write to THESE DAYS Subscriptions, 100 Witherspoon Street, Louisville, KY 40202 or visit [www.ppcbooks.com](http://www.ppcbooks.com).

### **THE COMMUNITY GARDEN**

The Community Garden is flourishing! The produce totals continue to increase every week, thanks to all of the hard work by the mighty garden team. We've finished the cabbage, radishes, broccoli and onion harvests for the season. The beans have just been planted along with more cucumbers. Squash and pepper blossoms are becoming vegetables, blueberries are ripening and the tomatoes will blossom shortly. Our donations to the Highland Food Pantry have been welcomed with open arms and are helping to feed the working poor. The garden team is always looking for new volunteers to help water and weed throughout the summer. Please visit [signupgenius.com/go/opcgarden](http://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 ([lesliehtucker@verizon.net](mailto:lesliehtucker@verizon.net)) or Clare Milburn ([milburncm@appstate.edu](mailto:milburncm@appstate.edu)).

Thanks to everyone who came out last Sunday for the Picnic in the Garden. Families of all ages had a wonderful meal together, went on a hay ride, took a garden tour and had a scavenger hunt. If you missed this year, we hope you will plan to join us next time. Thanks to our partners, the summer planning committee, for helping with all the details!

### **ADULT TRIP TO THE ‘DANIEL MORGAN HOUSE’**

An older adult trip to tour the ‘Daniel Morgan House’ in Winchester is set for Wednesday, August 24, 9:45 a.m. This house is actually the home of George and Jeanne Schember, who will be our personal tour guides! There is still space available for this trip. The sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Area kiosk. Following our tour of the house, we will enjoy lunch out in Winchester. Trip costs \$5 plus lunch.

## PYC NEWS

### Laser Tag & Ice Cream

Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> \$10/person

Meet at the Church at 6:00 p.m., Pick up at 8:30 p.m.

Come prepared for some fun with PYC friends playing laser tag followed by some fellowship over Ice Cream at Cooter's!

Eat dinner beforehand. Friends are always welcome!

**Mission Trip to Asheville, NC – July 17-22—Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Graders through Graduating 12<sup>th</sup> Graders**

### Church-Wide Nationals Baseball Game

Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 p.m.– Midnight

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

Sign up Deadline is TODAY, with \$25 deposit

### OPC 280 IS HERE AND CONTINUES!

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 26<sup>th</sup> the OPC team has collected approximately \$97,000 in donations.** This is a great start, but we think we can do better. With that in mind, we're going to extend our giving deadline through the end of the summer. Your help is still needed. Please take some time to consider what you can do for Opequon.

### HAVE YOU GIVEN TO OPC 280?

Pledged Gifts as of June 21: \$102,145

Breakdown by range	Number
\$20,000-28,000	2
\$ 2,000-6,000	11
\$ 1,000-1,500	7
\$ 280-560	18
\$ 20-200	<u>16</u>
	54

## **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**

July 6—7:00 p.m., July 13—7:00 p.m., July 20—7:00 p.m., July 27—7:00 p.m.

**Next Season: Volleyball starting in August**

### **Young Adult Brunch at IJ Canns in Creekside Station**

Next Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Join us for a time of food and fellowship with other young adults after worship.

## **NURSERY NEWS**

The Nursery is available for childcare during 10:00 a.m. worship each Sunday during the summer. A few thank you's: (several of which are long overdue)

- Thanks to Robert for all you do for us!
- Thanks to Bill Hopeck, Graham Taylor, Bill Burslem, and Mike Birchenough for our amazing new steps!
- Thanks to the wonderful members of the OPC family for your support.
- And lastly, many thanks to Brenna Hathaway for her help in the Nursery during VBS.

In Remembrance

**ROY WILLIAM BAYLISS, JR.**

**SEPTEMBER 20, 1923 – JUNE 18, 2016**

*"I am the resurrection and the life," says the Lord. "Those who believe in me shall live, even though they die, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die."*

John 11:25-26

**SAVE THE DATES**

Sunday, July 24 -----Annual Summer Hymn Sing—9:30 a.m.  
Sunday, July 31 ----- “Southern Country Social”—5:00 p.m.  
Sunday, August 7 -----Annual Blessing of the Backpacks—10:00 a.m.  
Sunday, August 21 -----“Lemonade in the Lobby”—11:15 a.m.  
Sunday, August 21 -----“Worship Under the Stars”—6:30 p.m.  
Sunday, August 28 ----- Sunday School Kick-off—11:00 a.m.