

# 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.

---

### Opequon Presbyterian Church

217 Opequon Church Lane, Winchester, VA 22602

540-662-1843

[office@opequonchurch.com](mailto:office@opequonchurch.com)

[www.opequonchurch.com](http://www.opequonchurch.com)

David R. Witt----- Pastor  
Kevin W. Hay ----- Associate Pastor  
Carole Witt ----- Director of Christian Education  
Catherine Richard----- Office Administrator  
Susan Homan ----- Director of Music  
William Heavner ----- Organist  
Robert Sydnor----- Sexton  
Laurie Carver ----- Nursery Supervisor  
Nancy McGaughey----- Missionary to South Sudan  
Stephen and Brenda Stelle-----Missionaries to Ethiopia

# SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

August 21, 2016

10:00 a.m.

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE ..... *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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

THE CHURCH BELL RINGS

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**

ENTRANCE OF THE WORD AND THE LIGHT

†GATHERING SONG NO. 628 (vv. 1, 2)..... *Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord*

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

**The Lord will speak peace to the faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts.**

Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear the Lord, and God's glory will dwell in our land.

†HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 39..... *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

(Please be seated for prayer)

CALL TO CONFESSION

The truth about us is this: we all sin and fall short of the glory of God.

Yet God promises to pour out grace upon us, giving us confidence to show ourselves as we are and be freed from shame. Trusting in God's mercy, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Ever-faithful God, how often we turn away from you, yet you remain constant to us. We run from you, but you call us back. In our words and our deeds, we dishonor you, yet you still profess your love for us. We cut ourselves off from you and from others, but you will not let us go. Forgive our faithless and fickle ways and increase our gratitude, that we might grow in faithfulness to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.**

## MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER

### WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Hear the good news! When you were buried with Christ in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God. By that power we are made clean and set free to live in gratitude and love with zeal. As you have received Christ Jesus, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and abounding in thanksgiving.

### LITANY OF PARDON

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

†THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 443 (vv. 1, 2) ..... *There Is a Redeemer*

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

May the peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

COMMISSIONING OF REBEKAH WITT, YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTEER

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SPECIAL MUSIC *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* .....arr: Moses Hogan  
David Meyer

### THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 85 .....Pew Bible p. 473

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Colossians 2:6-19 .....Pew Bible p. 957

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN..... "Surround Yourself with Christ"

Nursery (Ages Infant – Age 3)

†HYMN NO. 465 ..... *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

SERMON..... "Fullness of Life"  
Pastor David R. Witt

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY HYMN NO. 482 ..... *Baptized in Water*

†THE DOXOLOGY (Hymnal No. 606) AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS & BAPTISM

**WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME**

†HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 826.....*Lift High the Cross*

†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**

Acolyte: Grace Morgan  
Beadle: Robyn Ervin  
Bell Ringer: Kristen Blake, Bailey Cooper, AnnMarie Kelly  
Greeters: Robin Eddy, Mary Elson  
Hospitality: Debi Hodgson, Annemarie Matthews  
Liturgist: Travis Morgan  
Nametags: Nancy Rodgers  
Ushers: Jason Brown, Elise Buonocore, Tim Gaul,  
Andy Homan, Grace Morgan, Joel Witt

**TODAY WE WELCOME INTO THE MEMBERSHIP OF OPEQUON  
CHURCH**

**Laverne Cooper** by transfer from Braddock Street United Methodist  
Church, Winchester VA

**Barbara Denmon** by transfer from Vienna Presbyterian Church, Vienna  
VA

**Elmer Denmon** by transfer from Vienna Presbyterian Church, Vienna VA

**Judy Payne** by profession of faith and baptism

Please greet our new members during "Lemonade in the Lobby" after  
worship.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

August 21-28, 2016

### **TODAY**

Blood Pressure Screenings Before & After Worship

- 8:45 a.m.: Spiritual Growth Class—Bageant Room  
9:30 a.m.: Children's Choir Practice—Memorial Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m.: Morning Worship, Reception of New Members, Baptism,  
Commissioning Rebekah Witt, "Lemonade in the Lobby"  
4:00 p.m.: Youth Parents' Gathering—Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m.: "Worship Under the Stars"— Pitcock Memorial Shelter

### **THIS WEEK**

- Tuesday: Hands & Hearts—10:30 a.m.—Assembly Room  
HH&F Class @ Highland Food Pantry—6:00 p.m.  
WATTS Operations Committee—7:00 p.m.—Bageant Room
- Wednesday: Adult Trip—9:40 a.m.—Schember's Daniel Morgan House  
Sanctuary Choir Practice—7:00 p.m.—Sanctuary
- Thursday: Staff CPR Training—9:30 a.m.—Bageant Room  
Staff Luncheon—12:00 Noon  
Presbytery Planning Committee—1:30 p.m.—Bageant Room
- Saturday: Memory Lane Travelers—9:00 a.m.  
—Woodbrook Community Center

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Spiritual Growth Class —8:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship—10:00 a.m. Only  
Colossians 3:1-11

Sermon: "Changing Clothes"

Four Cents A Meal, Fair Trade Coffee, Sanctuary & Children's Choir  
Called Congregational Meeting Following Worship  
Youth Council & Youth Leaders' Summit (Part 3)—4:00 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>: 10:00 a.m.—177**

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Rhoda Tandy  
Sandra McKee & family  
JR Richard  
Bob Wilson  
Ethiopia Unrest  
Patricia & Ray Ferguson  
Ed Golightly Family  
Dino Urena  
Marj Praml  
Dorothy Rogers  
Our Schools  
Dr. Donald McNeill  
Cody Monday  
The Donovan Family  
Nate Potter Family  
Marion Schottelkorb  
Kevin Paquette  
Alexander  
Bobby Smith  
Warden Jenkins Family  
Jay Journell  
Ben Hawkins

Larry Schryver  
Stephanie Fitch  
Al Owens  
Rachel Carter  
Suzanne MacGregor  
Connie Robinson  
USA Shootings & Violence  
Robert Walker  
Daniel Hanna  
Jessica Trotter  
Phyllis Dilley  
Nancy Lloyd  
Calvin McCracken  
Marj Praml  
Peter Schieve  
Gary Snapp  
Sandi Pulizzi  
Ed Golightly  
Mike McKiernan  
Tom Lion  
John Burchett  
Lanette Orduna

Gene Fish  
Wanda Royston  
Donna Coffman  
Metu, Ethiopia  
Donna Klinefelter  
Terry & Diane Sinclair  
Doug Pittsnogle  
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.

## THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given by Kitty Bird, Jackie, Shannon and Alice in loving memory of Kitty Bonnett Hockman.

## CHILDREN INVITED TO SING AUGUST 28<sup>TH</sup>

All children ages 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to sing on Sunday, August 28, at the 10:00 a.m. service. Any questions contact Susan Homan at 540-664-8781 or [srh1305@verizon.net](mailto:srh1305@verizon.net).

## PARENTS OF YOUTH (GRADES 6-12)

Parents of youth are invited to the part 2 gathering of open conversation as we share in vision and care of our OPC young people, **TODAY, 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall**. There are no prerequisites for attending, simply COME. We will take time to discuss "A letter to parents from a Youth Minister" and dialogue about how the CHURCH can be helpful and valuable

to you and your youth as we are all on a *FAITH JOURNEY*. A light dinner will be provided along with plenty of laughter and support for everyone.

## **CALLED MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION**

The Session of Opequon Presbyterian Church calls for a meeting of the congregation on Sunday, August 28 in the Sanctuary immediately following 10:00 a.m. worship for the purpose of:

- Jointly requesting Shenandoah Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relationship between the Rev. Kevin W. Hay and the Opequon Presbyterian Church effective August 31.
- Approval of the agreed upon package with the dissolution.

All members are encouraged to be present for this important meeting.

## **CHOIR NEWS**

The following is actually an announcement that was printed in a church bulletin. "The choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning to join the choir." With that being said...we invite any member of OPC who enjoys SINGING to join us on Wednesdays beginning this week at 7:00 p.m. We do have a lot of fun, so come prepared to laugh and have fun while making a joyful noise to our Lord.

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

This trip takes place this Wednesday. Those who have signed up to participate are asked to be at church by 9:40 a.m. on Wednesday. We will enjoy the great tour of the house by its current owners, George and Jeanne Schember. Following our time at the house, we will have lunch at Millwood Seafood and Steaks Restaurant.

## **LOGOS REGISTRATION CONTINUES**

A NEW LOGOS year is right around the corner, set to begin September 14. Our **EXPRESS REGISTRATION** for LOGOS continues throughout the month. IT IS EASY! Stop by the LOGOS table in the Gathering Area (or go online) to complete the registration form and make payment of ½ of the fees. Of special interest to you, **the fees have been *ROLLED BACK* this year!** With brand new weekly themes, spectacular special events, and updated/relevant Bible time materials, our upcoming 19<sup>th</sup> year of LOGOS at Opequon looks to have something to offer all K-12 children and youth!



LOGOS is WELL WORTH the time that participants and staff spend together on Wednesday evenings, September-March! As a family, give some thoughts to how this ministry can be a most cherished part of your lives.

## **THE COMMUNITY GARDEN**

The garden has almost produced 1,000 pounds of produce! We have beautiful Roma and heirloom tomatoes growing like crazy. We have squash taking over the entire garden. Okra and cucumbers are beginning to be ready for harvest. The garden looks absolutely beautiful and we want you to see it! Not only that, we need your help keeping it as beautiful and productive as possible. It is quite a feat producing nearly 1,000 pounds of produce with no chemicals and just the work of God's hands. You are God's hands!

- We *always* need volunteers, especially as harvest season is upon us.
- We are also in need of boxes. We use the boxes to transport food to the pantry and with all of this produce we need a way to carry it. We prefer the shallow ones that can be found at Costco.
- One more volunteer opportunity - we need people to make pickles for LOGOS and/or help preserve beans. If you would like to do this, contact Clare Milburn (email below).

Please If you feel called to help, visit [signupgenius.com/go/opcgarden](http://signupgenius.com/go/opcgarden). If you have any questions about ANYTHING, feel free to contact Clare Milburn at [milburncm@appstate.edu](mailto:milburncm@appstate.edu) or Leslie Tucker at [lesliehtucker@verizon.net](mailto:lesliehtucker@verizon.net).

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL KICK-OFF 2016**

Come enjoy the "mini 3 RING CIRCUS" time as we gather in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 11, 9:45 a.m. for our opening to a new Sunday School year! There will be wonderful 'acts' that will entertain, words to inspire, and some authentic circus goodies to nourish us all. Young, old, families, youth—come celebrate around the tables in this 3 Ring Circus event focusing on FAITH, FAMILY, and FUN. Following our intergenerational time together in the Fellowship Hall, there will be time for us all to go to our respective classes and WORM workshops as well. Let's send the 'ball' into the end zone for this terrific kick-off!

## **HIDDEN SAILBOATS**

As we get ready to “set sail” for our 19<sup>th</sup> year of LOGOS, there is a challenge before our OPC children and youth. Folded paper sailboats are hidden throughout the Gathering Area and hallway to the parking lot. There are **19** of them, each with an interesting fact about LOGOS to share with you. Search around and see if you can find all **19** of them! When you find each one, read the fact on the sailboat and share what it says with someone else. You can then hide it again for others to find. Enjoy this game of “hide-n-seek” with the 19 LOGOS sailboats! Be sure to visit the LOGOS EXPRESS REGISTRATION table too to get signed up for LOGOS this year.

## **ADULT DAY TRIPS**

There are two adult trips planned for this fall. Sign-up sheets are available in the Gathering Area kiosk. Get your name on the list to enjoy these great outings. See all the details below:

- Skyline Drive scenery and lunch at Big Meadows Lodge on Thursday, October 13, 10:00 a.m. Cost is \$10 plus lunch.
- “Our Christmas Dinner” Musical Show and Lunch at Bird-n-Hand Stage/Restaurant on Wednesday, December 7, 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$60 per person.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Mark your calendars now for Saturday, September 17 if you would like to “Hike with Mike.”

## **PYC News**

### **PYC KICK-OFF**

Sunday, September 11, 4:00-6:00 p.m., Pitcock Memorial Shelter  
Parents and youth are invited to kick off a great year of PYC Youth!  
Lots of exciting activities in the works; watch for details!

### **MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH RALLY @ MASSANETTA SPRINGS**

Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, \$10 per person

All middle school youth (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to join us for a day of fun, music, and worship with other youth from Shenandoah Presbytery.

## **UPCOMING MISSION OPPORTUNITIES**

### **Highland Food Pantry - Tuesday, August 23, 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

The Hands, Heart, & Feet - Mission-Oriented Sunday School Class invites anyone interested in joining us in our commitment to serving at Highland Food Pantry once a month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday.

### **WATTS Happening in Old Town—Neighbors Helping Neighbors**

Will take place on Friday, September 2, 5:00-9:00 p.m. In order for “Neighbors Helping Neighbors” to be successful, we need you to come to shop and stay for dinner. The business community is enthusiastically behind the efforts of the Winchester Area Temporary Thermal Shelter to assist the homeless. 10-15% of the proceeds generated by participating businesses during this event will be donated to WATTS. Churches (including OPC!) housing the homeless during the 2016-17 season will be represented. Opequon will have a bake sale next to the WATTS tent behind the old Court House.

Contact **Graham Taylor** at 540-247-4663 or [gtaylorgofishing@gmail.com](mailto:gtaylorgofishing@gmail.com) if you can

- retrieve the tables and chairs and return them to the church
- staff the bake sale

Contact **Ellie Cammer** at 540 667-3683 or [edgukaytor3@aol.com](mailto:edgukaytor3@aol.com) if you can

- bake bread, cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, etc. Please package and price and deliver to the Dell Room by 2:00 p.m.
- transport baked goods from the church to Old Town by 4:30 p.m.

### **Habitat for Humanity - Interfaith Build**

**Saturday, September 17, 8:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.**

Join us in working on a house for a family in need with the Habitat-Interfaith Build.

### **Stop Hunger NOW - Saturday, October 8, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon**

We are planning an intergenerational mission opportunity. Help us fight hunger by packing meals to be sent to areas in need. Families encouraged to participate!



**Lemonade in the Lobby!**

**TODAY following Worship**

**Stop by for some fresh lemonade, homemade  
lemon desserts, and Fellowship**

## 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)

## Young Adults Volleyball - Sport & Social

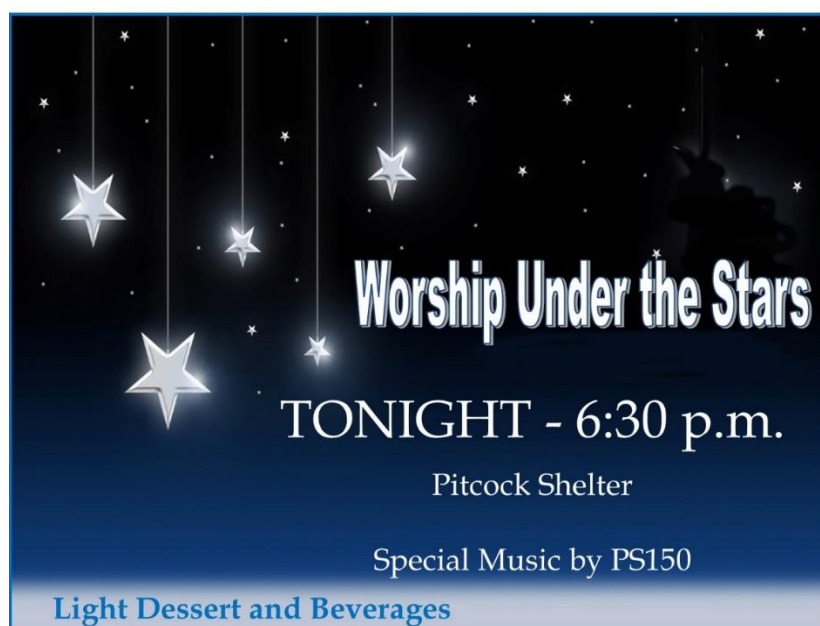
Wednesday Nights-Come cheer us on!

August 24 – 7:00 & 8:00 p.m., August 31 – 8:00 p.m.,

September 7 – 8:00 p.m., September 14 - 8:30 p.m.,

September 20 (Tuesday) – 7:00 p.m., September 28 – 8:00 p.m.

**Next Season—All Pass Football!**



**Worship Under the Stars**

**TONIGHT - 6:30 p.m.**

Pitcock Shelter

Special Music by PS150

Light Dessert and Beverages