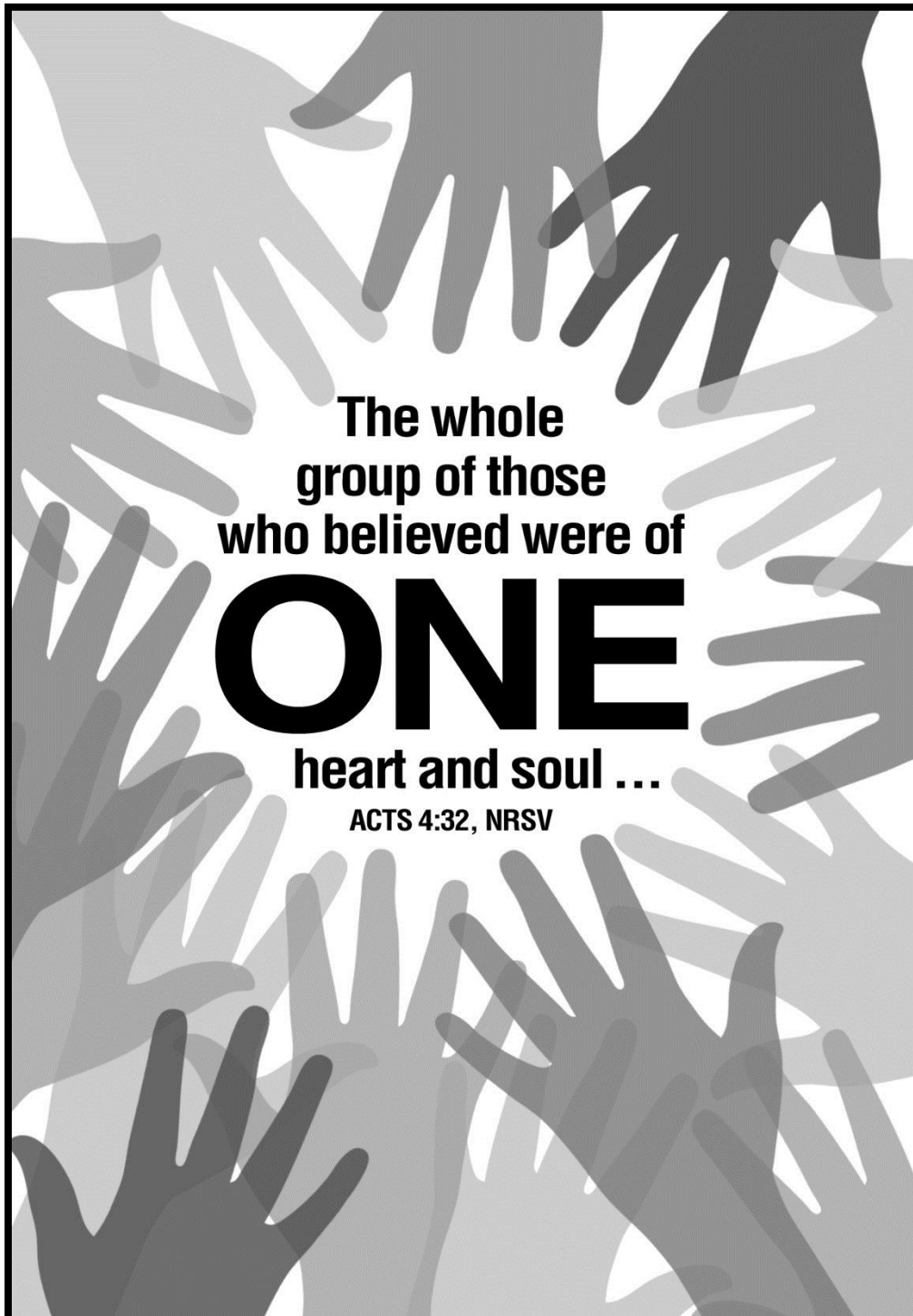


Opequon Presbyterian Church



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 are located in the back of the Sanctuary. Please return the bag and supplies to the basket 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 before 12:00 pm on Friday.
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David R. Witt-----Pastor
Tracie Martin-----Parish Associate
Laurie Carver-----Nursery Supervisor
William Heavner-----Organist
Susan Homan-----Director of Music
Patty Klinefelter-----Faith Community Nurse
Catherine Richard-----Office Administrator
Robert Sydnor-----Sexton
Carole Witt-----Director of Christian Education
Rebekah Witt-----Director of Youth & Young Adults



SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 22, 2018

10:00 am

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *Brethren We Have Met to Worship* Arr. Smith
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

†GATHERING SONG (Worship Order p. 6) *Come, Now Is the Time to Worship*

†ENTRANCE OF THE WORD AND THE LIGHT

†CALL TO WORSHIP

All around the world,

People rise to greet the morning and sing praises to our living God.

All over the earth,

People hold hands, pray, pass the peace, and offer thanks.

All across the globe.

Some cry for food, some are filled with laughter, all search for truth and purpose.

All around the world,

Hearts hear a sacred melody and yearn for peace.

All over the earth,

People sing, and we join the unending chorus of praise.

All across the globe,

In faith, hope, and love, the Church together worships and serves our living God.

†HYMN (Worship Order p. 7) *We Are the Church*
(Please be seated for prayer)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Even our best intentions go awry when we are not at one with God's purpose. Our gracious God journeys with us and provides for us with unending mercy, patience, and kindness so that when we repent, we find ourselves forgiven. Let us confess our sins.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, you call, but we do not always recognize your voice. Sometimes we fail to listen carefully. Sometimes we're caught off guard. Lord, you call, but we haven't always taught others to hear you. Sometimes we stand in the way, preferring that our voices ring out over yours. Lord, you call, but we don't always believe what we hear. Sometimes we believe we know better. Often, we think you can't possibly be calling us, or her, or him. Lord, you call to us clearly, asking us to be your church. Help us to be a church of welcome, inclusion, and joy. Forgive us, Lord, when we offer you and your people less than our best, less than Christ asks from us. Help the Church of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, to be a people of love.

Moments of Silent Prayer

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Sisters and brothers, God loves us, forgives us, and frees us from our sins; therefore, be at peace and love with boldness and generosity.

LITANY OF PARDON

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

†THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 447 *We Are Forgiven*

†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

THE READING OF GOD'S WORD:

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Psalm 127Pew Bible p. 499

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Acts 4:32-35Pew Bible p. 888

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

†HYMN NO. 320 *The Church of Christ in Every Age*

SERMON "We Are"

Tracie Martin & David Witt, Pastors

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY *Reprise of "We Are the Church"*Arr. Heavner

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

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Hymnal p. 38, Sections 4, 5, 6)

....."A Brief Statement of Faith" (Presbyterian Church U.S.A.)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Hymnal p. 35, we say "debts" and "debtors" in the prayer)

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

†HYMN NO. 761 *Called as Partners in Christ's Service*

†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

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

CCLI # 1622560

Words and Music by
BRIAN DOERKSEN

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of seven staves of music with lyrics underneath. Chord symbols are placed above the notes. The lyrics are: 'Come Now is the time to wor - ship. Come now is the time to give your heart. Come, just as you are to wor - ship. Come, just as you are be - fore your God. Come. One day ev - ery tongue will con - fess you are God. One day ev - ery knee will bow. Still the great - est trea - sure re - mains. for those who glad - ly choose You now.'

D
Come Now is the time to wor - ship.

5 A Em E/F# G
Come now is the time to give your heart.

9 D
Come, just as you are to wor - ship.

13 A Em Em/F# G
Come, just as you are be - fore your God.

17 D Fine G D
Come. One day ev - ery tongue will con - fess you are God.

21 G D G
One day ev - ery knee will bow. Still the great - est trea - sure re - mains.

24 Bm Em A
for those who glad - ly choose You now.

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~~8:30 & 11:00 am Worship Resumes August 5th~~

We Are the Church

Grades 5-6, Session 2

R.A.,D.M.

Richard Avery, Donald Marsh

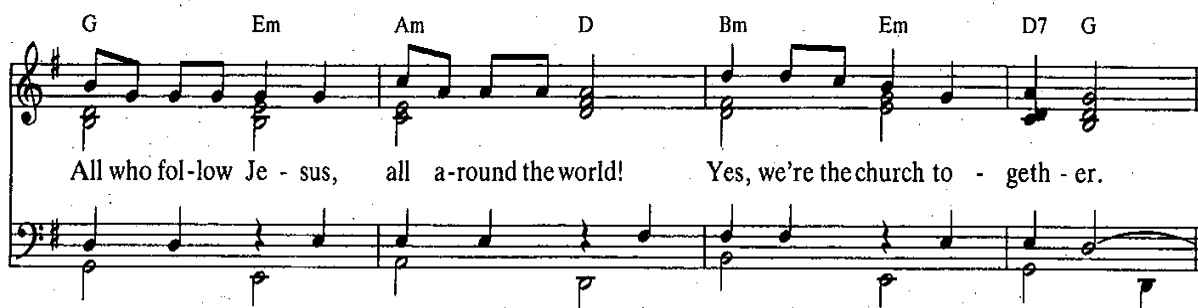
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G G6 Em D7



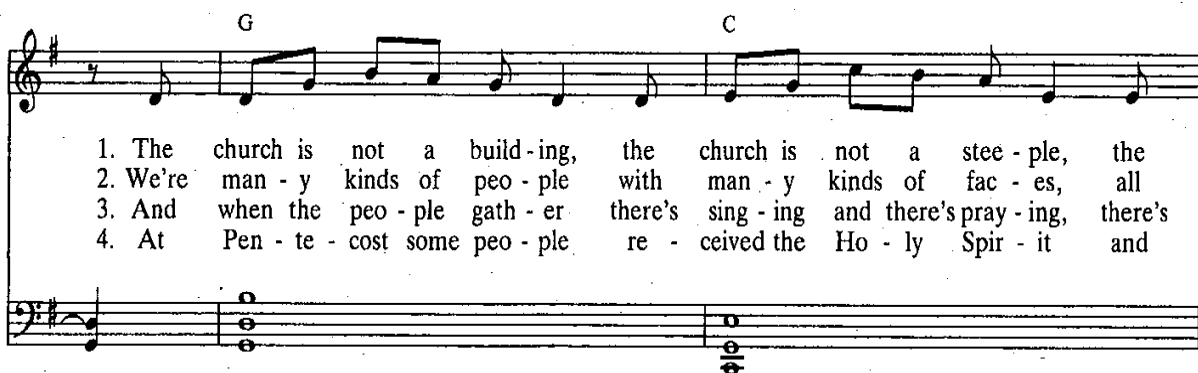
I am the church! You are the church! We are the church to - geth - er!

G Em Am D Bm Em D7 G



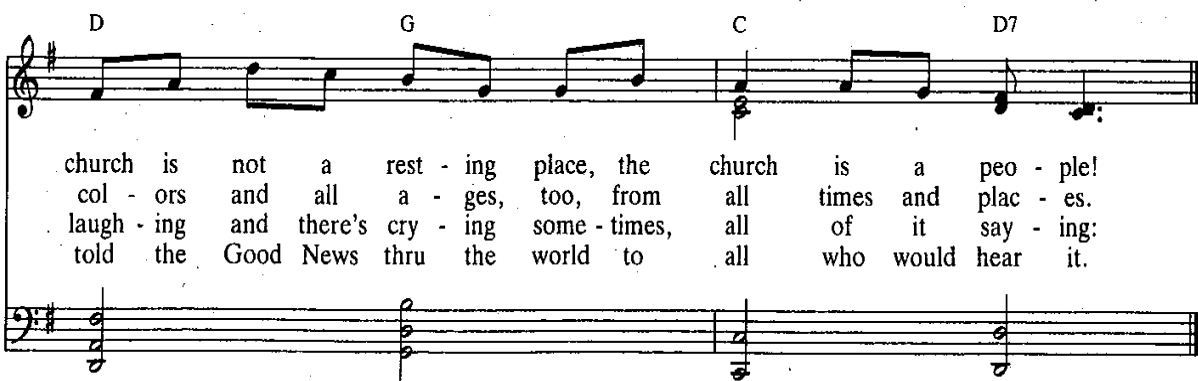
All who fol-low Je - sus, all a-round the world! Yes, we're the church to - geth - er.

G C



1. The church is not a build - ing, the church is not a stee - ple, the
 2. We're man - y kinds of peo - ple with man - y kinds of fac - es, all
 3. And when the peo - ple gath - er there's sing - ing and there's pray - ing, there's
 4. At Pen - te - cost some peo - ple re - ceived the Ho - ly Spir - it and

D G C D7



church is not a rest - ing place, the church is a peo - ple!
 col - ors and all a - ges, too, from all times and plac - es.
 laugh - ing and there's cry - ing some - times, all of it say - ing:
 told the Good News thru the world to all who would hear it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 22-29, 2018

TODAY

8:45 am: Adult Faith Formation Study of "David"—Bageant Room
10:00 am: Morning Worship, Four Cents A Meal, Fair Trade Coffee
11:15 am: "Lemonade in the Lobby"
11:30 am: Motel Ministry—Dell Room

THIS WEEK

Monday: Sing! Shenandoah—6:00 pm—Memorial Sanctuary
Tuesday: Youth Bible Study—7:00 pm—Home of Rebekah Witt
Highland Food Pantry—5:30 pm
Wednesday: TVOR Lunch Bunch—12:00 Noon
LOGOS Leadership Team—5:00 pm—Bageant Room
Friday: Life Goes On—1:00 pm—Firefly Café

NEXT SUNDAY

Adult Faith Formation—8:45 am—Bageant Room

Morning Worship—10:00 am ONLY

Isaiah 52:13-53:12, Matthew 27: 32-56

Sermon: "Jesus Had to Die"

Habitat for Humanity Paint Can Offering

Community Car Wash—12:00-2:00 pm—First Bank, Valley AV/Jubal Early

SERVANTS IN MINISTRY

Acolyte: Brayden Rockwell
Beadle: Bud Proctor
Bell Ringer: Kristin Blake
Hospitality: Brenda Hawkins, Marj Praml
Liturgist: Cora Helen Anderson
Live Stream: Lance Astorino
Nametags: Kail Barbe
Ushers: Adelyn & Aubrey Astorino, Curt Budny,
Bill Hopeck, Brayden Rockwell, Joe Seaton

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Nathan Windle
Andy Nagy
Robbie Richman
Tim Thompson
Kelley Henry
Gary Strickler
Laurie Carver
Kathy Kreitzer & Kim Dooley
Nathan Windle
Those Experiencing
Homelessness in Our
Community
Edgar Tufts
Katie Heavner Baker
Matthew Lill
Al Owens
Nancy Carr
Madison Poteat
Marlene Groff

Deana Shade
Families/Communities Along the
Border
Brad Treece
Tom & Vicki Harmon
Sandy Haney
Dulcie Reed
Alex Hamman
Carol Treece
Erica Doyle
Cherie Wubbe
Georgeanne Gurko
Christine Butler
Nancy Rodgers
Nancy Wilson
Stephen Bergfield
Nadine DeHaven
Patricia Ferguson
Brenda Kerr

Cam Keyser
Jeanette Baccary
Barbara Denmon
Teresa Ritenour
Ethiopia/Kes Amena
Larissa Strosnider
Megan McCord
Bruce Metcalf
Gretchen Cooley
Mark Wilhelm
Frances Pitcock
Phyllis Dille
Jane Lewis
Larry Matthews
Doug Koch
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Church Mekane Yesus

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICE

Max Crane, Stephen Crane, Taylor McMurdo, Samuel & Julia Phillips, Brandon Michael, Jared Snawder, Greg Sousa, Michael White, and their families.

ATTENDANCE SUNDAY, JULY 15TH: 126



THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given by David Witt in honor of Carole Witt, faithful, dedicated, and loving wife, mother, friend, and Director of Christian Education, and to celebrate her birthday TODAY!

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION GRADES 6-12:

Bible Study for youth entering middle school, current youth, and those who just graduated high school will be at 7:00 pm on the following dates: Tuesday, July 24, & Tuesday, July 31. Come to Rebekah Witt's house at 203 Halifax Court in Stephens City to study the book of Malachi. Snacks and drinks will be provided. If you can't come every week, then just come when you can! Let Rebekah know if you need a ride or have questions.

Friday, August 3, 6:00 pm-1:00 am—Summer Midnight Gladness is for all upcoming youth in grades 6-12. You are invited to meet at church in the Fellowship Hall for a night of fun! We will start with dinner before doing a variety of activities, games, contemporary worship, and shopping for Orchard View School supplies. End the summer by hanging out with other Youth and participating in this service opportunity! Bring a snack to share. If you have not previously filled out a youth permission form or have questions, please contact Rebekah Witt at wittrc@dukes.jmu.edu.

LIFE GOES ON

Is a small support group of people whose lives are undergoing change as the result of the death of a spouse. We invite you to join us at Firefly Cafe at 1:00 pm this Friday. Come and share conversation and lunch. Contact Martha Fulton, 540-542-6161 or fultonmartha@gmail.com with questions.

YOUNG ADULT NEWS AGES 18-35

Saturday, July 28 at Noon-Let's hit the Buzzard Rock North Trail for a hike! It will be about a four-mile trek, round-trip. Meet at the church to carpool. Please wear sturdy shoes!!! Bring a bag lunch, water, sunscreen, etc. For more information, Google the trail or ask Rebekah Witt.

GET YOUR HANDS WET AND MAKE SOMEONE'S DAY—JULY 29

COME HELP OUT at A CAR WASH IN THE COMMUNITY! The Christian Education Team is committed to sponsoring an intergenerational service/mission-oriented project on the 5th Sunday in months when it occurs. The first of these type

events was held back on April 29 when the parking lot curbing got repainted by a team of 20 helpers! It just so happens that our next intergenerational service project will occur 3 months after the first one- July 29 is the day! We have all the supplies ready! YOU are the most important part of this- we need all ages to come help as we offer to wash cars for anyone in the community for FREE. **This event is taking place at FIRST BANK on Valley Avenue, 12:00-2:00 pm.** All helpers—please wear 'close-toed' shoes. Let's share Opequon's spirit of caring out beyond our church building and make others smile. We need a few hose NOZZLES- if we could borrow one from you, please let Carole Witt know. Be sure to put your name on it!

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Q: What's a kayaker's favorite kind of lettuce? A: Row-maine!

We sent 87.5 pounds of vegetables to the food pantry last week. There are so many delicious vegetables being harvested right now and with the intense temperatures we really need help keeping everything watered. Can you lend a hand? You can easily sign up by going to the church website - just look for the Sign-Up Genius icon located on the front page of the site. For more information, contact one of the gardeners on call: Robin Owens, robinowensopcsession@gmail.com, Joelle Cafaro, drhealer@gmail.com or Dana Kelly, davedana@comcast.net.

LOOKING AHEAD

Plans are in the making for a brand-new LOGOS year set to begin on September 19. We are refreshing our whole LOGOS youth component for middle and high school young people and we have great new themes for the children to enjoy from week to week. Watch for all the 'LATEST In LOGOS' information to come your way in August. WE are very excited about our 21st year of LOGOS at OPEQUON!

SAVE THESE AUGUST DATES:

Sunday, August 5th – Hymn Sing/Ice Cream Social – 6:30/7:30 pm—Memorial Sanctuary & Front Lawn

Sunday, August 12th – Church Picnic/Open Door Worship Outdoors – 5:30/6:30 pm—Pitcock Memorial Shelter—Southern Fried Chicken, Biscuits & Drinks Provided. Bring Your Favorite Sides to Share!

WORSHIP NOTES AND REFLECTIONS

Notes on Today's Music

How did today's music witness to the life and ministry of the Church?

Notes on Today's Children's Sermon

Notes on Today's Prayers

Notes on Today's Scripture and Sermon

What does it mean to adapt?

How can/do humans adapt? How does the Church adapt?

What characterized the early Church as people lived out their faith?

When do we offer less than Christ asks of us?

When do we offer God and God's people our best?

What did I learn today from Psalm 127 and Acts 4?