

# Opequon Presbyterian Church

you  
are the  
LIGHT  
of the  
WORLD.  
-MATTHEW 5:14

**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.
  - **Look forward to taking part in a Faith Formation Educational Hour each week.** It's held at 9:45 am 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 before 12:00 pm on Friday.
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# SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

September 9, 2018

8:30 & 11:00 am

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE ..... *Enviado soy de Dios*

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 NO. 192 ..... *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

†ENTRANCE OF THE WORD AND THE LIGHT

†CALL TO WORSHIP

In the midst of fear, we are called to be a people of hope.

**Call us to be lovingly bold in our faith.**

In the midst of sorrow, we are called to be a people of comfort.

**Call us to be lovingly compassionate in our deeds.**

In the midst of alienation, we are called to be a people of unity.

**Call us to be lovingly responsive to the needs of others.**

In the midst of anger, we are called to be a people of peace.

**Call us to lovingly build bridges of peace and reconciliation.**

In the midst of darkness, we are called to be a people of light.

**Call us to lovingly bear witness to the light of Jesus.**

†HYMN NO. 637 ..... *O Sing to the Lord*

(Please be seated for prayer)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Many people brought their greatest needs to Jesus, certain that he would help them. With that same confidence, let us confess our failings and seek forgiveness.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**The walls are so easy to construct, O God. It begins with one unkind word, one mood of "I don't care; so what?" It builds on**

**fears—fear of someone or something that is different, fear of getting close, fear of being honest. It is held in place by unexamined feelings of privilege and prejudice. It is reinforced by media images and social pressures. We build higher, yet never feel safe. Holy God, bring us close to you so we can let our walls down. Let us discover a peace and unity in you that transcends barriers and surprises the world with love. Let the building of bridges, of relationships, begin with us. Let it begin here.**

Moments of Silent Prayer

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

In a world of fear and hurt, God offers healing balm and comforting peace. We are loved by the Lord, even though we are imperfect. We are loved eternally. Be at peace and rest in God’s unconditional love.

**LITANY OF PARDON**

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

†THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE (Worship Order p. 6).....*Amigos de Cristo*

†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**

ANTHEM ..... *Santo! Santo! Santo!*

Donald Moore

Santo! Santo! Santo! Senor Omnipotente! Holy! Holy! Holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity! Santo! Santo! Santo! Santo! Senor Omnipotente! Santo! Santo! Bendita Trinidad! Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy! Holy! Holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons blessed Trinity! Santo! Santo! Santo! Santo! Senor Omnipotente! Santo! Santo! Santo! Santo! Bendita Trinidad! Blessed Trinity! Santo! Santo! Santo!

THE READING OF GOD’S WORD: Matthew 5:13-16 .....Pew Bible p. 786

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN ..... “Loving Our Neighbors”

†HYMN ..... *This Little Light of Mine*  
CCLI# 1622560

**This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine.  
This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine,  
This little light of mine; I'm gonna let it shine,  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

**Let it shine 'til Jesus comes; I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine 'til Jesus comes; I'm gonna let it shine.  
Let it shine 'til Jesus comes; I'm gonna let it shine.  
let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.**

SERMON THROUGH PERSONAL TESTIMONIES..... "Let Your Light Shine!"  
2018 Baja Mission Trip Team

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ..... *Tú has Venido a La Orilla*

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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

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. 192 ..... *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 468..... *Lord, Be Glorified*  
CCLI 1625560

**In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified.  
In my life, Lord, be glorified today.**

†POSTLUDE

# Amigos de Cristo

CCLI # 1622560

## Refrain

A - mi - gos de Cris - to, we're friends of the Lord, A -

mi - gos de Cris - to, we're friends of the Lord. For we've been for -

giv - en and we've been re - stored. A - mi - gos de Cris - to, we're

friends of the Lord. Lord.

## Verses

1. Friends of the cov - e - nant re - newed each morn;  
2. Born of a fam - i - ly, the young and old,

F G7 C

bap - tized and lov - ing it, we've been re - born.  
we'll be on hand to see new life un - fold.

F Bb F

Gift of the dove is ours for - ev - er more. }  
We un - der - stand the need to be made whole. } A -

Bb F Bb F/C C7 F to Refrain

mi - gos de Cris - to, we're friends of the Lord. A -

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## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Today we welcome into the membership of Opequon Church:

**Kevin & Lisa Callanan** by transfer from First Presbyterian Church,  
Winchester

**Brad & Katie Jordan** by Reaffirmation of Faith

**Sheryl Massey** by Reaffirmation of Faith

**Ron & Ann Smith** by transfer from Trinity Presbyterian Church, Herndon  
Please greet everyone in the Gathering Area after worship.

## THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are given by the Buonocore Family in remembrance of those lost on 9/11.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

September 9-16, 2018

## **TODAY**

- 8:30 am: Morning Worship, Baja Sunday  
9:45 am: Faith Formation Educational Hour  
11:00 am: Morning Worship, Baja Sunday, Reception of New Members  
12:15 pm: LOGOS Parents'/Family Gathering—Fellowship Hall  
5:00 pm: Presbyterian Youth Connection Kick-off—Pitcock Shelter

## **THIS WEEK**

- Monday: Older Adult Ministry Team—9:30 am—Bageant Room  
Men of Opequon—6:00 pm—Chick-fil-A PVR  
7:00 pm—Bageant Room  
Sing! Shenandoah—6:00 pm—Sanctuary
- Tuesday: Tuesday Morning Mission—9:30 am  
GLOW—7:00 pm—Bageant Room
- Wednesday: Visioning Team—6:00 pm—Bageant Room  
Choir Practice—6:30 pm—Sanctuary
- Thursday: Read 'Em & Reap—7:00 pm—Home of the Tandys  
Scouting Ministry—7:00 pm—Assembly Room
- Saturday: The BIG Event—8:30 am—Massanetta Springs

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

- Morning Worship—8:30 & 11:00 am  
Faith Formation Hour—9:45 am  
Romans 12:9-21  
Sermon: "Come and See, Go and Be"  
"The CAT Is Back!" Visioning Report, Introduction of Confirmation Class  
Happy Birthday, Everyone Luncheon—12:15 pm—Fellowship Hall  
Presbyterian Youth Connection—5:00-7:00 pm

## **ATTENDANCE, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup>:**

8:30—75      11:00—109



## **PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Marion Schottelkorb  
Mary Flagg  
JoEllen Delamatta & Family  
Bill Foster  
Ben Weber  
Albert Owens Sr.  
Ron & Susie Hurst  
Gary Rutherford  
Lori Stonebraker Family  
McKenna Williams  
Jack Feeney  
Ashley Tiberio  
Cora Helen Anderson  
John McCain Family  
Jay Horne  
Baker/Heavner Family  
Steve Brown  
Helen Orndorff Family  
Patricia Ferguson  
Jil & Gregory DeHaven  
Nathan Windle  
Russ Cutshall

Mary Anne Guard  
Amber Burney  
John Lown  
Melissa Madagan  
Wildfires  
Martha Ryder  
Ed Duetsch  
Nadine DeHaven  
Kes Mersha  
Molly  
Steve Vanderpoel  
Robbie Richman  
Kelley Henry  
Laurie Carver  
Kathy Kreitzer & Kim Dooley  
Those Experiencing  
Homelessness in Our  
Community  
Edgar Tufts  
Deana Shade  
Families/Communities Along the  
Border

Brad Treece  
Tom & Vicki Harmon  
Sandy Haney  
Carol Treece  
Cherie Wubbe  
Brenda Kerr  
Jeanette Baccary  
Teresa Ritenour  
Ethiopia/Kes Amena  
Larissa Strosnider  
Megan McCord  
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, Edison Gomez, Taylor McMurdo, Samuel & Julia Phillips, Brandon Michael, Jared Snawder, Greg Sousa, Michael White, and their families.

## **SERVANTS IN MINISTRY**

8:30

Bell Ringer: Mo Mohler  
Hospitality: Lisa & Bill Frye  
Ushers: Alyce Callahan, Al Owens, Audrey & Camden Saunders,  
Jim Youngblood

11:00

Hospitality: Martha Fulton, Betty Gano  
Livestream: Bud Proctor  
Nametags: Dulcie Reed  
Ushers: Jason Hathaway, Kyle Homan, Bill Robinson

## **LOGOS PARENTS' GATHERING**

A warm invitation is extended to all families who are new to Opequon Church, new to LOGOS, or unsure just what LOGOS is all about; come to a LOGOS Parent's Gathering TODAY, 12:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Families are invited to come together. Lunch is provided—sub sandwiches, fruit, chips, and cookies. We will be sharing what LOGOS is all about and help you consider how LOGOS can benefit your family. Trying LOGOS for a brief time is an available option as well! We look forward to sharing our great passion for this great ministry and hope you will come along with us.

## **PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION GRADES 6-12**

- **TODAY**-Youth Kickoff from 5:00-7:00 pm in the Pitcock Shelter! Bring your entire family and some friends as we celebrate a new year of Youth Group Activities. BBQ, buns, and drinks will be provided. Come with a side dish to share. There will be a corn hole tournament, along with other yard games to play. Questions? Let Rebekah Witt know!
- **September 16**-Mini Golf Adventure! Meet at church with a brown bag dinner and \$6 to go play some putt-putt. We will finish back at church by 7:00 pm. Make sure your parent has filled out a year-long permission form.

## **OLDER ADULT MINISTRY TEAM**

The Older Adult Ministry Team meets tomorrow morning at 9:30 am in the Bageant Room for monthly planning of Happy Days programs, trips, and other special events. Coffee and goodies will be served. This meeting is open to any older adults who would like to join in the conversation.

## **MEN OF OPEQUON**

We had an awesome picnic at the Shelter in August. Thank you, Grill Master Bill Bender, for serving up all the burgers and hot dogs! We all left very full on a beautiful evening. We'll meet at Chick-fil-A for dinner tomorrow night at 6:00 pm. Then, we'll return to the church for our monthly meeting and program. This month our own Lance Pearce, will talk about his work and travels around the world. It is great to hear about others' adventures!

## **GLOW: God-Loving Opequon Women**

GLOW is Opequon's multi-aged Women's Group that meets monthly to build friendships and enjoy heart-warming activities together. The time together brings much laughter and we leave feeling lighter!" This month, being that our gathering date falls on SEPTEMBER 11, we will be sharing our own stories about that memorable day. Where were you when you heard the news? What did you do? How did you learn about all the events of the day? We will also hear the special story of one person who lost a loved one in the events of 9/11. Come join OPC women on Tuesday, September 11, 7:00 pm in the Bageant Room as we reflect together about 9/11. The time spent at GLOW is sure to lift your spirits and allows others to enjoy your presence! Treat yourself to an evening with the ladies. Yummy goodies are always a hit too!

## **HAPPY DAYS**

The Happy Days fellowship gathering for older adults is this Wednesday, September 12, beginning at noon in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your favorite covered dish item to add to all the others for a delicious pot luck lunch. Following lunch together, our own TOM TANDY will be our guest speaker. He will be sharing about the TUESDAY MORNING MISSION group at OPC: who they are, what they do, and the joys of this small group of OPC. Come enjoy TOM being with us and what he has to share.

Happy Days participants have been so good in donating ROLLS of TOILET PAPER that are offered to people in the community through our Motel Ministry. Thank you for your generosity of this much-needed item. Come on out and enjoy the great fellowship of Happy Days!

## **YOUNG ADULT NEWS AGES 18-35**

Are you intimidated by the Bible? Do you have questions about scripture? Looking for a group to study the Bible with? If any of these questions have been on your mind, then think about coming to Young Adult Bible Study this fall! The plan is to meet on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month from 6:10-6:55 pm with dinner provided. We will start on September 26. Please let Rebekah Witt know if you are interested in joining or have any questions.

## **COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Q: What is small, red and whispers? A: A hoarse radish! We've begun harvesting green beans and are searching for a few individuals to help us with freezing them for later use. Thanks to our wonderful volunteers for continuing to help us grow and share the light of Christ with our community. If you'd like to get involved with this most important project contact one of the gardeners on call: Dana Kelly, davedana@comcast.net or Robin Owens, robinowensopcsession@gmail.com.

## **COMMUNION EDUCATION WORKSHOP**

A communion education workshop for children age 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade is being offered on Sunday, September 30, 4:00-5:00 pm in the Sanctuary. This time is led by David and Carole Witt and includes stories, visual illustrations, and hands-on opportunities as we explore the meaning of celebrating the Lord's Supper. Parents are invited to stay with their children and be part of this time as well. This workshop is meant to prepare our children so that they better understand this special sacrament and can enjoy it with you during worship.

## **FAITH5 (Faith Acts In The Home)**

FAITH5 is a simple, easy-to-implement faith practice, perfect for incorporating into your nightly routine for five to fifteen minutes a night. When done over time, FAITH5 carries the power to enrich communication, deepen understanding, aid sleep, and promote mental, physical and spiritual health. The five steps are:

- ❖ SHARE your highs and lows
- ❖ READ a Bible verse

Week of September 10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>:

*"Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers."*

Romans 12:13

- ❖ TALK about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows
- ❖ PRAY for one another's highs and lows
- ❖ BLESS one another

## **"PARENTING IN THE PEW"**

Parents are invited to TAKE and KEEP a "PARENTING IN THE PEW" binder. These brightly colored three-ring binders have been prepared especially with parents in mind. They contain suggestions, tools, ideas, and more for parents to use as they sit and worship WITH their children in the sanctuary for the whole service. The pages of the binder have ideas that can last over weeks and months as parents and children share worship time together.

**You are welcome to take the binder home and keep it as your own resource.** Glance at it during the week in preparation for worship time on Sunday. Parenting is not easy and of course, many of us have experienced squirmy children in the pews. However, parents are the most influential people in teaching their child how to worship, beginning with our children at a young age. It takes time. It takes patience. It takes diligence. It takes modeling. Children need to see you worship and be able to worship alongside you. Train up a child in the way he shall go, and he will never depart. The children's worship bags will remain available and the children are welcome to use them as parents use the "Parenting in the Pew" binders.

## **THE LATEST ABOUT LOGOS-LOGOS TURNS 21 THIS YEAR!**

Have you heard what kids say about their experience in LOGOS? Here it is, directly from the mouths of children: "It is a blast!", "Bring a friend and come try it, it is so much fun.", and "LOGOS is the best; kids really miss out if they aren't part of LOGOS." A twist in the familiar nursery rhyme says it too: Hickory Dickory Dock, make time for LOGOS on your Clock! We are ready to open the doors on September 19 to our 21st year of LOGOS at OPC! Great things are in store for all young people ages K-12th grade. Registration continues, now at the regular fee rate until September 19. A gathering for parents to learn more about LOGOS is scheduled for TODAY at 12:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

## **PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS**

“Peace at all Times, in all Ways”—2 Thessalonians 3:16

The Presbyterian Church “A Season of Peace” has begun. Daily reflections delivered to your email are available by signing up through [www.pcusa.org/subscribe](http://www.pcusa.org/subscribe)- Path of Peace under Advocacy and Social Justice.

## **SAVE THE DATE—OCTOBER 14**

Directly after the 11:00 service, a presentation on Five Wishes will be given by Patty Klinefelter and Bill Martin. More than just an advance directive, Five Wishes brings a holistic approach to a living will by including an individual’s care and comfort choices. It provides a means to legally document your choices for medical treatment, comfort, and care wishes. Lunch will be provided.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**after the 11:00 Service**

**Fellowship Hall**

**Happy Birthday  
Everyone!**



**The Cat  
is Back!**

The Vision Team will be briefing on the recent CAT survey.

You don't want to miss it!

**Potluck Luncheon**

Please bring your favorite dish to share.

No desserts please; they will be provided.

# **WORSHIP NOTES AND REFLECTIONS**

## **Notes on Today's Music**

How did today's music express the light and love of Christ shared with neighbors?

## **Notes on Today's Children's Sermon**

How do we love our neighbors in need?

## **Notes on Today's Prayers**

## **Notes on Today's Scripture and Testimonies**

How are we salt to the earth and light to the world?

What did the Baja Team do?

What did the Baja Team receive? What did they give?

What stands out to you from the Baja Team's experience?

How can we support mission around the corner and around the world?

In what ways do we let our "light shine" so that others may see?