

# Opequon Presbyterian Church



THEN JESUS SAID TO HIM, "WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO FOR YOU?" THE BLIND MAN SAID TO HIM, "MY TEACHER, LET ME SEE AGAIN."

Mark 10:51, NRSV

**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

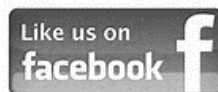
To get the most out of your visit, may we recommend you familiarize yourself with the following:

- **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 the 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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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

October 28, 2018

8:30 & 11:00 am

Reformation Sunday

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE ..... *Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott*

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. 452 ..... *Open the Eyes of My Heart*

†ENTRANCE OF THE WORD AND THE LIGHT

†CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord has filled our mouths with laughter and our tongues with shouts of joy.

**The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.**

Let us worship Almighty God.

†HYMN NO. 319 ..... *Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing*

(Please be seated for prayer)

CALL TO CONFESSION

The God of mercy hears our cries. Let us confess our failings and needs to each other and to the one who commands us to come and be healed.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, you know us better than we know ourselves. You see our need when we are blind to it. You have made us to be yours. In your compassion, forgive us for our lack of faith and the harm we do to others and to your earth. Forgive us for turning away from your will, for ignoring the cries of our neighbors, for failing to listen to what is most nourishing even for ourselves. Let our faults**

**fall from your eyes as you open ours. Hear this and answer, in Jesus' holy name.**

Moments of Silent Prayer

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

People of God, beloved of the Lord, the one who created you and maintains your every breath calls you to receive mercy and be forgiven. Go in peace, in the firm assurance of pardon, so that today and every day your path may be strong and free, in the powerful name of Jesus.

**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) ..... *Glory, Glory, Hallelujah*

†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 ..... *The Triumphs of His Grace*

Stan Pethel

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace! My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name. He speaks, and, list'ning to His voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe. Glory to God, and praise and love be now forever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name.

**THE READING OF GOD'S WORD**

FIRST LESSON: Hebrews 11:1-3.....Pew Bible p. 977

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 10:46-52.....Pew Bible p. 823

A SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN..... "Seeing Jesus"

†HYMN NO. 451 ..... *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

SERMON ..... "By Faith"

Pastor David Witt

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ..... *We Walk by Faith and Not By Sight* (Tune: *Dunlop's Creek*)

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

GENEROSITY MOMENTS ..... Lance Pearce (8:30)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

(When the pastor says, "God of mercy," the people respond, "**Hear our prayer.**")

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

## WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

†HYMN NO. 275 ..... *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 203 (refrain)

..... *Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love*

**Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love, show us how to serve,  
the neighbors we have from you.**

†POSTLUDE

### A "GIFT" EVENT TODAY AT 9:45 AM

GIFT stands for "Generations in Faith Together" and it truly will be a gift to have all ages together during the morning Faith Formation Educational Hour at 9:45 am. The theme of our time together today will be 'A Pumpkin Party', focusing on how we are to be salt and light of the world as we look at Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. There are no age requirements in being able to follow these instructions of Jesus, so this is relevant for all ages! There will be pumpkin-shaped cookies, pumpkin muffins, and pumpkin painting! Enjoy conversation, listening and laughing with others and creating your own pumpkin face. Let this be an enriching time for you. Come to the pumpkin party in the Fellowship Hall this morning.

# Glory, Glory, Hallelujah!

CCLI # 1622560

Traditional



Glo - ry, glo - ry, hal - le - lu - jah!  
I feel bet - ter, so much bet - ter.  
Feel like shout - ing, "Hal - le - lu - jah!"



Since I laid my bur - den down.  
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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

October 28-November 4, 2018

### **TODAY**

#### **Blood Pressure Checks**

- 8:30 am: Morning Worship, Four Cents a Meal, Fair Trade Coffee  
9:45 am: G.I.F.T. Event (For All Ages)—Fellowship Hall  
11:00 am: Morning Worship, Four Cents a Meal, Fair Trade Coffee  
12:30 pm: Motel Ministry/Presbyterian Youth Connection  
4:00-6:00 pm: Trunk and Treat  
6:00 pm: Officer Training—Bageant Room

### **THIS WEEK**

- Monday: Kerygma Bible Study—3:00 pm—Bageant Room  
Sing! Shenandoah—6:00 pm—Sanctuary  
Wednesday: Staff Lunch—11:30 am—Brewbaker's  
LOGOS—4:30 pm—Theme: "Costume Night"  
Choir Practice—7:30 pm—Sanctuary  
Thursday: Scouting Ministry—7:00 pm—Assembly Room  
Saturday: Baja Sewing Bee—10:00 am—Fellowship Hall  
Remember: Set Clocks Back One Hour

#### **NEXT SUNDAY—All Saints' Sunday**

Morning Worship—8:30 & 11:00 am  
Faith Formation Educational Hour (For All Ages)—9:45 am  
Ruth 1:1-18, Mark 12:28-34  
Sermon: "Learning How to Love"  
Remembering Those Who Have Died  
Communion, CCAP

#### **ATTENDANCE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21<sup>ST</sup>:**

8:30—82      Faith Formation—38      11:00—121

## **PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Carole Metheny & Family  
Bill Shendow Family  
Tom Ganoë  
Kate & Elloise Kochel  
Cathy Richard  
Dejohn Baylor  
Jaclyn Drumheller Michels  
Dennis Jutze Family  
Hurricane Michael Aftermath  
Larry Matthews  
Ethiopian Visitation Team  
Thelma Cameron  
Susan Lee  
Sue Correll  
Elmer Denmon  
Haiti  
Boyce Baptist Church

Judy Payne  
Susan Graybill Family  
Russell Brink  
Lydia Delamatta  
Disaster Relief Agencies  
Indonesia  
Terry Payne  
Denise Weidele  
Dick Crane  
Nathan Windle  
Kes Mersha  
Hurricane Florence Aftermath  
Heather Leake  
Lyn Warren  
Marion Schottelkorb  
Mary Flagg  
Bill Foster

Bob Weber  
Ashley Tiberio  
Martha Ryder  
Ed Duetsch  
Robbie Richman  
Deana Shade  
Cherie Wubbe  
Ethiopia/Kes Amena  
Larissa Strosnider  
Megan McCord  
Frances Pitcock  
Jane Lewis  
Doug Koch  
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## **PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY SERVICE**

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

## **SERVANTS IN MINISTRY**

8:30

Acolyte: Natalie Youngblood  
Beadle: Bud Proctor  
Bell Ringer: Mo Mohler  
Hospitality: Betty Chicklo, June Malone  
Liturgist: Mark Leonard  
Ushers: Adelyn & Aubrey Astorino, Mike Butler,  
John Winn, Natalie Youngblood

11:00

Acolyte: Grace Morgan  
Beadle: Keith McMurdo  
Hospitality: Jack Drumheller, Marj Praml  
Liturgist: Melanie Morgan  
Livestream: Susan Witt  
Nametags: Kail Barbe  
Ushers: Curt Budny, Wyatt Estep, Grace & Travis Morgan, Joe Seaton



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

- ❖ **TODAY**-Motel Ministry! Meet in the Dell Room at 12:30 pm to gather supplies, pack the van, and head down Valley Avenue to two local motels. We will greet the residents and offer them food and other necessities. Everyone from the congregation is invited to participate, so bring your family along!
- ❖ **November 4**-Enjoy a bonfire at the home of Pam and Mitch Orndorff on your long weekend! We will meet at church to leave by 5:00 pm. Get ready for hot dogs, s'mores, chips, fruit, and hanging out before returning to church around 7:00 pm. Bring a blanket or wear warm clothes!

### **TRUNK AND TREAT**

Today 4:00-6:00 pm

Come "Treat" among the "Trunkers" from our congregation.

Games ~ Candy ~ Concessions ~ Fun

## **WALL OF ENVELOPES PROJECT**

This is the final day for the Wall of Envelopes project. Thank you for every donation and contribution. We are very excited about this new recreation area! Imagine the hours of enjoyment by a wide range of ages that will take place in this area for years. Any unclaimed envelopes that remain on the wall today are certainly available for contributions. Take an envelope still available on the wall, fill it with the designated amount of \$ and return it to the box on the table adjacent to the wall of envelopes. WE thank you tremendously! You are making a difference in the lives of young people. Please make checks payable to OPC, notation: Playground Fund.

## **PLEASE NOTE: THE WITTS AWAY**

Carole and David Witt will be out of town Monday afternoon through Tuesday, traveling to see friends in New Jersey. If a pastoral concern arises, please contact Tracie Martin at 304-856-2080 or 315-247-5969.

## **LOGOS ON HALLOWEEN**

LOGOS will be held this Wednesday in conjunction with Halloween. We are following an abbreviated schedule; 4:30-6:00 pm. Children are invited to

come in costume. We will enjoy some great recreation, fun music, and a variety of activity stations. Everyone will get a bag dinner at dismissal!

## **YOU'RE INVITED TO THE SEWING BEE FOR BAJA**

**This Saturday, November 3,** 10:00 am-2:00 pm, we will be gathering in the Fellowship Hall to make dresses for little girls in Baja, Mexico. Men, women, youth ages 10 and up, guests who are not from OPC, or people seeking fellowship all can help to set up at 9:00-10:00 am, clean up from 2:00-3:00 pm or sew! Please bring a brown bag lunch, a snack to share, and a sewing machine if you have one. Drinks will be provided. For more information, please call, text or email Susanna Shade at 540-550-7150 or shadesathome@aol.com. To help with set up or clean up, please contact Graham Taylor at 540-247-4663 or gtaylorgofishing@gmail.com.

## **MEN ON A MISSION**

Tickets are still available for Highland Food Pantry's Men on a Mission fundraiser. The event will be held **this Saturday, November 3,** at 5:00 pm at First Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall. This fun evening for adults and children 12 and older features 30 community "chefs" who will prepare their favorite dishes for you to taste. Tickets to attend and eat are \$30 each with all proceeds going directly to the Pantry to purchase food. Expect a great night of fun, food, and fellowship! Contact Ruth or Dave Richards at ruthanddave.richards@gmail.com for tickets.



## **BANANA BOXES HAVE ARRIVED!**

Crisp air is to autumn like a banana box is to Thanksgiving. Say what?! It's time for one of OPC's favorite mission projects—filling Thanksgiving food boxes for families in need within our community. A banana box can hold enough food for a Thanksgiving meal. There is enough room for breakfast and snack items too! The built-in handles make carrying the box very easy. This year someone has graciously donated aluminum turkey roaster pans! All you need to do is provide food items from the list included in each box; Mission Ministry will provide a turkey. Please keep in mind that no perishables can be accepted. All boxes need to be returned by **Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**.



# **WORSHIP NOTES AND REFLECTIONS**

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

How did today's music express faith in our living God?

## **Notes on Today's Conversation with the Children**

What do you see when you close and then open your eyes?

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

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

What do you need to see?

What particular vision do you seek?

When you do see and understand, how will that knowledge and insight pull you closer to following Jesus on the way of faith and peace?

What can you do to bring someone to Christ? How can you help someone find his or her healing?

What did I learn from Hebrews 11 and Mark 10?