

# Opequon Presbyterian Church

*“You shall love  
your neighbor  
as yourself.”*



*Mark 12:31, 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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# SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

November 4, 2018

8:30 & 11:00 am

All Saints' Sunday

## WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE ..... *Prelude on "Sine Nomine"*

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

Vaughn Williams

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**

GENEROSITY MOMENTS ..... Garrett Jones

†GATHERING SONG NO. 62 ..... *Love the Lord Your God*

†ENTRANCE OF THE WORD AND THE LIGHT

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good,

**God's steadfast love endures forever,**

The Lord is our God, the Lord alone,

**You shall love the Lord your God.**

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

**Let us worship God**

†HYMN NO. 63 ..... *The Lord is Good*

(Please be seated for prayer)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins to God, from whom our help comes.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, you have been faithful, yet we have not loved you with our whole hearts. You showed us how to love our fellow human beings, yet we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Turn us back to you, O God, that we may follow your commandments; through Christ our Lord.**

Moments of Silent Prayer

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Beloved, the Lord is loving, merciful and just. Therefore, we are reconciled to God and to one another, that we might walk in peace and love.

LITANY OF PARDON

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

†THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 627 ..... *I Love You, Lord*

†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**

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE AND THANKSGIVING ON ALL SAINTS’ SUNDAY

On this All Saints’ Sunday, we celebrate our great communion with the saints and especially honor the memory and lives of those who have died in the past year and joined the Church Triumphant..

*Betty Jewell Bly*

*Dottie Baker Edwards*

*John Richard Boyd, Sr.*

*James J. "Jay" Journell*

*Margaret B. Guthrie Dearth*

*Charles Garland "Gary" Strickler*

*Mary Katherine "Katie" Baker*

On the small white cross you were given this morning, you are invited to write the name(s) of those saints living or dead whom you would like to remember. We invite you to come forward in small groups as we sing the hymn, bring that small cross forward to the larger cross and place it on a hook in a time of remembrance and thanksgiving.

†HYMN NO. 326..... *For All The Saints*

ANTHEM ..... *Write Your Word Upon My Heart*

Ev’ry word that you have spoken, each command you give today, holy vows that can’t be broken; Lord, please write upon my heart, write your word upon my heart. Ev’ry grace that you’ve been granted, each small thing your hand supplies, ev’ry seed of faith you’ve planted; Lord, please write upon my heart, write your grace upon my heart. Love the Lord with all your strength, cherish God with all your heart. Bind his wisdom to your spirit, from God’s Word do not depart. Ev’ry love that you have given, each compassion you bestow, ev’ry sin that you’ve forgiven; Lord, please write upon my heart, write your love upon my heart. Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

In my heart, in my heart, Lord I want to be a Christian in my heart. Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart. Write your word upon my heart.

THE READING OF GOD’S WORD

FIRST LESSON: Ruth 1: 1-8 ..... Pew Bible p.210

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 12: 28-34 .....Pew Bible p. 825

A SPECIAL TIME WITH THE CHILDREN..... “Going On”

†HYMN NO. 731 ..... *Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith Is Firm*

SERMON .....“Learning How to Love”

Pastor David Witt

**WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ..... *They Will Know We are Christians by Our Love*

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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer (Hymnal p. 35, we say “debts” and “debtors” in the prayer)

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Closing Communion Prayer

**WE GO OUT IN GOD’S NAME**

†HYMN NO. 730 ..... *I Sing a Song of the Saints of 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

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

November 4-11, 2018

### **TODAY**

8:30 am: Morning Worship, Communion, CCAP  
9:45 am: Faith Formation Educational Hour  
11:00 am: Morning Worship, Communion, CCAP  
3:00 pm: Officer Training—Bageant Room  
5:00 pm: Presbyterian Youth Connection

### **THIS WEEK**

Monday: Older Adult Team — 9:30 am —Bageant Room  
Kerygma Bible Study—3:00 pm—Bageant Room  
LOGOS Leadership Team —5:30 pm—Bageant Room  
Sing! Shenandoah—6:00 pm—Sanctuary  
Visioning Team—7:00 pm—Bageant Room

Tuesday: Election Day  
Technology & Communications —5:15 pm —Bageant Room  
Ministry Team Night —6:00 pm

Wednesday: Staff Meeting —9:30 am —Bageant Room  
LOGOS—4:30 pm—Theme —Teacher Night “1-2-3 & A B C”  
Choir Practice—7:30 pm—Sanctuary

Thursday: Scouting Ministry—7:00 pm—Assembly Room

Friday: Boundary Training —10:00 am —Fellowship Hall  
Wedding Rehearsal —5:00 pm —Sanctuary

Saturday: Daggett-Loudin Wedding —4:30 pm —Sanctuary

### **NEXT SUNDAY – Generosity Sunday**

#### **Banana Boxes Are Due**

Morning Worship—8:30 & 11:00 am

#### **Pre-Service Music — 8:15 am & 10:45 am**

Faith Formation Educational Hour (For All Ages)—9:45 am

Ruth 3:1-15, 4:13-17 Mark 12:38-44

Sermon: "Give Your Best, Give Your All"

LOGOS K-5 Worship

Annual Dedication Walk

Veterans' Day Remembrance (100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Armistice)

Presbyterian Youth Connection —4:30 pm

Taize Service of Remembrance & Peace —6:30 pm —Memorial Sanctuary

**ATTENDANCE, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28<sup>th</sup>:**

8:30—86

Faith Formation—44

11:00—111

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

Tree of Life Synagogue

Mary Ann Johnson

Tom Ganoe

Kate & Elloise Kochel

Cathy Richard

Dejohn Baylor

Jaclyn Drumheller Michels

Hurricane Michael Aftermath

Larry Matthews

Thelma Cameron

Susan Lee

Sue Correll

Elmer Denmon

Haiti

Boyce Baptist Church

Judy Payne

Russell Brink

Lydia Delamatta

Disaster Relief Agencies

Indonesia

Terry Payne

Dick Crane

Nathan Windle

Kes Mersha

Hurricane Florence Aftermath

Heather Leake

Lyn Warren

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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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, Katherine Tufts, Michael White, and their families.

**THE SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Bill Hopeck in loving memory of his wife, Carol.

**THE SANCTUARY ROSE**

The rose in the Sanctuary this morning announces the birth of Madison Michels, daughter of Nate and Jaclyn Drumheller Michels, born on Thursday, November 1. Madison weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz. Tracy and Jack Drumheller are the proud grandparents.

## SERVANTS IN MINISTRY

8:30

Acolyte: Cole Owens  
Beadle: Heide Mohler  
Bell Ringer: Mo Mohler  
Greeters: George and Jeanne Schember  
Hospitality: Debbie and Bill Bender  
Liturgist: Dave Richards  
Ushers: Anna Buonocore, Vicki Schmidt Crites, Cole Owens, **Graham Taylor**, Natalie Youngblood

11:00

Acolyte: Will Schwantes  
Beadle: Bill Robinson  
Greeters: Lance Astorino Family  
Hospitality: Martha Fulton, Kirsta Weber  
Liturgist: Joel Witt  
Livestream: Rebekah Witt  
Nametags: Pat deButts  
Ushers: Joshua Batcha, Joseph Burton, Jim Butler, Annemarie Matthews, **Bill Hopeck**, Will Schwantes

### COMMUNION TODAY

The bread and wine/juice are passed in the pews, and the congregation holds the elements until everyone has been served, partaking together. The wine is dark red; the grape juice is white. Gluten-free bread is available; please see an usher for assistance. Those serving communion today at 8:30 are: Peggy Gruenther, Alan McKay, Karen Winters, Graham Taylor, Vicki Schmidt Crites, Jim Youngblood and Melissa Youngblood. Those serving communion today at 11:00 are: Jason Hathaway, Susan Ritter, Bill Bayliss, Kirsta Weber, Nathan Windle, Nancy Budny and Curt Budny.



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

- ❖ **Today**- Enjoy a bonfire at the home of Pam and Mitch Orndorff on your long weekend! We will meet at the church to leave by 5pm. Get ready for hot dogs, s'mores, chips, fruit and hanging out before returning to church around 7pm. Bring a blanket or wear warm clothes!
- ❖ **November 11**-Youth/Young Adult Sunday Preparation! Meet at church for this exciting time of planning. Come prepared to set our ideas into motion. We will meet in the Sanctuary from 4:30-6:30pm with dinner included.

**PILGRIM'S FEAST FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED** The annual Pilgrim's Feast is on **Sunday, November 18** for our whole congregation. Our Opequon Youth host this event and appreciate your help in donating needed items for a Thanksgiving meal. Please visit the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area. As the youth serve you a full turkey dinner on the day of the FEAST, they appreciate your monetary donations that go completely towards their Christmas service project. Plan to come and be part of this great time of gratitude. THANKS!

## **WATERCOLOR EXHIBIT TO BENEFIT OPC MISSION**

An exhibit of Karen Winters' watercolors is on display at Lake Frederick from October 30 through November 25. Twenty-five percent of the proceeds will benefit local and global mission projects through OPC. A meet the artist reception is scheduled for November 7 from 4-6pm at Shenandoah Lodge, 180 Bald Eagle Drive, Lake Frederick. You are invited to the reception or to view the 50+ watercolors anytime during the month-long exhibit. The lodge is open from 8 am to 6 pm Sunday and Mondays; and 8 am to 9 pm Tuesdays through Saturdays. Pickup one of her announcement cards with all the details in the Gathering Area.

## **BANANA BOXES STILL NEED ADOPTING!**

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 next **Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**.

## **LOGOS ANNUAL TEACHER NIGHT THIS WEDNESDAY**

A highlight of each LOGOS year is our annual "TEACHER NIGHT" when many educators, principals and other administrators join us for dinner, games, and music at LOGOS. Teacher Night is this Wednesday with the theme "A-B-C-1-2-3". We look forward to welcoming these special people at LOGOS this week.

## **OLDER ADULT MINISTRY TEAM**

Meets tomorrow morning at 9:30am in the Bageant Room. It is a great time of discussion and planning along with some nourishing morning treats and warm friendships. This meeting is open to all older adults who would like to come.

## **ELECTION DAY DINNER—MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT**

The Confirmation Class will be working together to prepare the meal for Ministry Team Night this Tuesday. The menu is Spaghetti & Meatball casserole, Tossed Salad, Garlic Bread and Dessert. Tea and Coffee provided too. Dinner is served at 6:00 pm. Thank you to the efforts and time given by these young people to serve in this way.



**REMEMBER TO VOTE**  
**Tuesday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**It's our privilege and responsibility!**

**“DAY OF REMEMBRANCE”**  
**EVENING TAIZE WORSHIP**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>**  
**6:30 pm**

**MEMORIAL SANCTUARY**

Join us for this contemplative experience  
of music, prayer, scripture reading, and meditation  
(There will NOT be a sermon!)

# **WORSHIP NOTES AND REFLECTIONS**

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

How did today's music express our love for God and neighbor?

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

What helps Ruth go on?

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

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

What do we learn from the Pencil Maker?

What anguish, dissension, and hatred in our lives, community, and world must we acknowledge?

What can be born out of our brokenness?

What does it mean to love God with all your heart, mind, and soul and to love your neighbor as yourself?

How do we learn to love?

Where is God at work, bringing people together for good?

What did I learn from Ruth 1 and Mark 12?