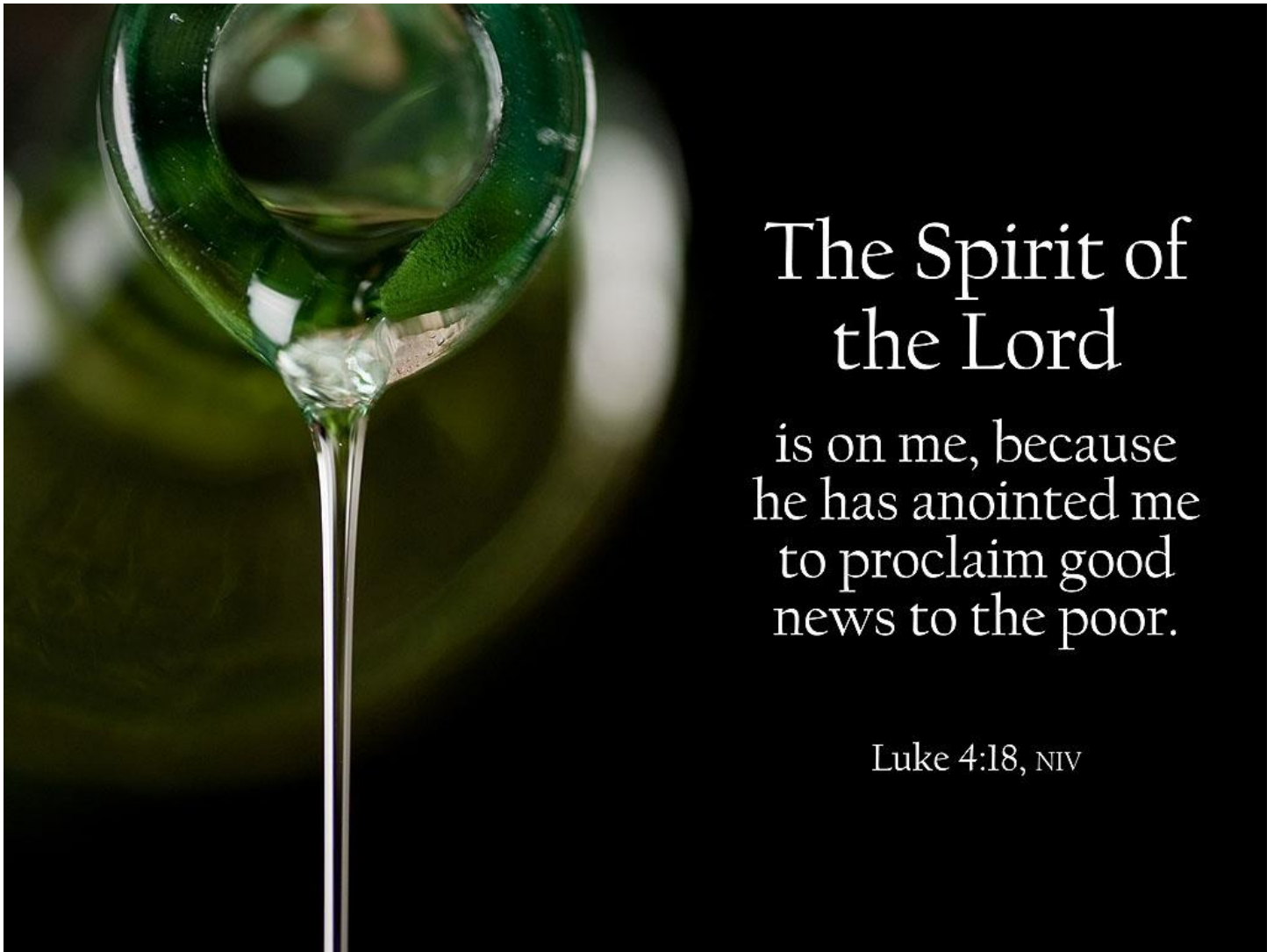


Opequon Presbyterian Church



The Spirit of
the Lord

is on me, because
he has anointed me
to proclaim good
news to the poor.

Luke 4:18, NIV

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 Sunday School class each week.** Sunday School is 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
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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----- Youth & Young Adult Director



SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

February 3, 2019

8:30 & 11:00 am

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE *Rise Up, O Saints of God*..... Arr. Smith

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

Please complete the Friendship Folder and pass it along during the greeting.

PRAYER REQUEST forms are inside the pew holders - please place in offering plate.

†All who are able, please stand.

Bold print—all respond.

THE CHURCH BELL RINGS

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

VISIONING MOMENTS “Whoo?”

ENTRANCE OF THE WORD AND THE LIGHT

†GATHERING SONG NO. 727 (vv. 2, 4, 6) *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

†CALL TO WORSHIP

We have traveled to this holy place

To worship God together.

We have come longing for a glimpse of God,

And a glimpse of the world the way God sees it.

Through our worship, music, learning, and laughter,

May God focus our sight through the lens of God's love.

Let us worship God together!

†HYMN NO. 401 *Here in This Place*

(Please be seated for prayer)

CALL TO CONFESSION

God calls us to speak the truth, even when it is difficult, to others but also to ourselves. Confessing our sin in prayer, we dare to speak the truth about ourselves to God, who desires to deliver us and to cast out fear.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, our Deliverer, we confess that we are too reluctant to speak and to live according to your truth. We grow comfortable with the way things are, passively condoning injustice. We see ourselves as “insiders,”

excluding those we consider “outsiders.” We find it easier to pluck up and pull down, to destroy and overthrow, than to build and to plant. Forgive us, O God, for being timid disciples. Empty us of fear and shame, and fill us with love that is humble and patient and kind. We pray this in the name of the One who humbled himself, Jesus the Christ.

MOMENTS OF SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

God has loved us since the beginning, and God’s love for us will never end. Do not fear, therefore, but have faith in God’s steadfast love, God’s healing power, and God’s ability to make all things new.

LITANY OF PARDON

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

† THE RESPONSE OF PRAISE NO. 515 (vv. 1, 5) *I Come with Joy*

† PASSING OF THE PEACE (Please share this prayer with those next to you)

“May the peace of Christ be with you.”

“And also with you.”

WE HEAR GOD’S WORD

ANTHEM *Be the Light of Christ*

Wes Cameron

What will you give to the Savior? To the One who gave all, will you go in his name, to spread the light of truth? To the corners of the world, he has asked you to go. Will you go in his name? Be the light of Christ to the people of the world. Be the light of Christ, spread the word among God’s people. Will you give help to the needy? Will you clothe and give them food? Will you give in his name, as he has given to you? Every gift is from above, and it comes to us from God. Will you give in his name? Be the Light of Christ!

THE READING OF GOD’S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 1:4-10 Pew Bible p. 609

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Luke 4:16-30 Pew Bible p. 835

A SPECIAL TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN “Doing God’s Work Now!”

Nursery (Ages Infant - Age 3)

† HYMN NO. 691 *Lord, When I Came into This Life*

SERMON “A Plan for Our Lives”

Pastor David R. Witt

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak/

Speak, Lord in the Stillness..... Arr. Rodriguez

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

Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God..

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

The Lord's Prayer

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

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread & Cup

Communion Music

Speak, O Lord Arr. McDonald

Then There Was My God Krug

Communion Prayer

WE GO OUT IN GOD'S NAME

†HYMN NO. 432 *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

†CHARGE AND BLESSING

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE NO. 69 (Refrain) *Here I Am, Lord*

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.

†POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 3-10, 2019

TODAY

- 8:30 am: Morning Worship, Communion, CCAP,
“Souper Bowl Offering”
9:45 am: Faith Formation Educational Hour (For All Ages)
11:00 am: Morning Worship, Communion, CCAP,
“Souper Bowl Offering”
12:30 pm: Visioning Team—Assembly Room

THIS WEEK

- Monday: Older Adult Ministry Team—9:30 am—Bageant Room
LOGOS Leadership Team—5:30 pm—Bageant Room
Sing! Shenandoah—6:00 pm—Sanctuary
- Tuesday: Ministry Team Night Dinner—6:00 pm—Fellowship Hall
Devotions—6:45, Meetings—7:00 pm
- Wednesday: Staff Meeting—9:30 am—Bageant Room
LOGOS—4:30 pm—Theme: “Africa/Ethiopia Night”
Young Adult Bible Study—6:10 pm—Youth Spot
Choir Practice—7:30 pm—Sanctuary
- Thursday: Trustees Meeting—5:00 pm—Bageant Room
Cub Scouts Den 1—7:00 pm
Boy Scouts Troop 1—7:00 pm—Assembly Room
- Saturday: PYC Visitation Day—10:00 am
Baja Fundraiser—6:00 pm

NEXT SUNDAY

- Morning Worship—8:30 & 11:00 am
Faith Formation Educational Hour (For All Ages)—9:45 am
Isaiah 6:1-13, Luke 5:1-11
Sermon: “Are You Willing?”
Commissioning Trustee
Nurses Meeting—10:00 am—Fellowship Hall
Safety Team—12:30 pm—Fellowship Hall
Christian Coffee House—6:00 pm—Memorial Sanctuary

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Stuart & Jennifer Williams Family
Steve Frohlich
Katie Costin & Family
Allison Brown
Ellie Businelli
Joan Leonard
John Fleming
Jim Baccary
Jeanette Baccary
Kim Harwood Family
Bill Heavner
Kristen Winters
Evan Shaw Family
Teachers & Students at DMMS
Evando Culotta Family
Our Country
June Windle
Brad Treece
US Government Workers
Myrt Nissen
Gil Barrington

Cherry Nickens
Crystal Nicola
Joyce Braithwaite
Families of Children, Youth &
Young Adults with Special Needs
Pat York
Rick Bean
Jim Butler
Kim Levy James
Estella Noelle James
Brad Metheny
Dave Weir
Taylor Eadie & Family
Barton Goodeve
Isaiah Truman
Tamatha Hasse
Charles Thomas
Emilie Roberts
Kate Beaman
Doug Sensabaugh
Jill Waryu
Reed Dailey

Tom Ganoe
Thelma Cameron
Susan Lee
Disaster Relief Agencies
Dick Crane
Nathan Windle
Kes Mersha
Heather Leake
Ed Duetsch
Cherie Wubbe
Larissa Strosnider
Megan McCord
Frances Pitcock
Jane Lewis
Doug Koch
Illubabor Bethel Synod of
Church Mekane Yesus
Rachel & Michael Weller
Doug Dicks

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: Virginia Barr
Bell Ringer: Mo Mohler
Hospitality: Debbie & Bill Bender
Liturgist: Terry Hartman
Ushers: Virginia Barr, Vicki Schmidt Crites, JT Reid,
Graham Taylor, Natalie Youngblood

11:00

Acolyte: Adelyn Astorino
Hospitality: Martha Fulton, Kirsta Weber
Liturgist: David Schwantes
Livestream: Susan Witt
Nametags: Pat deButts
Ushers: Joshua Batcha, Cheyenne & Sydney Burton,
Al Owens, Annemarie Matthews, Travis Morgan

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: Jack & Carolee Klimek, Lance Pearce, Barbara Agreggaard, Jim Youngblood, Vicki Schmidt Crites and Graham Taylor. Those serving communion today at 11:00 are: Susan Ritter, Bill Deck, Stella Strickler, Curt & Nancy Budny, Bill Bayliss and Kirsta Weber.

ATTENDANCE, SUNDAY, JANUARY 27TH:

8:30–68

Faith Formation–45

11:00–155

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTION GRADES 6-12

- **TODAY**-Help collect/count the soup & monetary donations before/after church.
- **February 9**-10:00 am-1:30 pm, meet at church on Saturday for Visitation Day! We'll visit some of Opequon's home bound members. A lunch out will be provided. Confirmation students are required to attend, but this event is for all youth.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING COLLECTION!

We're tackling hunger by bringing in soup cans and monetary donations today! Which section of the Sanctuary will win the competition by donating the most cans?!

Choir Side=Vegetable Beef
Center Section=Chicken Noodle
Window Side=Tomato

The collection spot is in the Gathering Area. All donations will go to the Highland Food Pantry.

OLDER ADULT MINISTRY TEAM

Meets tomorrow morning at 9:30 am in the Bageant Room. Come enjoy some morning treats, the planning conversation and a dose of daily laughter. The meeting is open to any older adults.

SUNDAY NIGHT COFFEE HOUSE... NEXT WEEK!

Join us around tables in the Memorial Sanctuary next Sunday, February 10th at 6:00 pm for an evening coffee house. What is a coffee house, you may ask? It's an opportunity to gather and share in conversation, enjoy coffee and snacks, and appreciate people who may have a song, poem, musical piece, or reading/thought to offer. PS 150 will even share a couple of songs. Mostly, it's fun, it's relational, it's casual. If you would like to participate by offering something, please let Sarah Shade, Vicki Crites, or David Witt know so plans can be made.

ESPECIALLY FOR KIDS

Cold winter days are here, and you may be wishing for warmer days to play outdoors. Those days will return! To help with some fun indoors, pick up a BAG OF GAMES from the baskets in the Gathering Area. The fun you can have with these simple, silly games will give you a boost in the middle of winter. Some supplies are included, other supplies needed can be found around the house. And guess what? There is a lesson to learn with each game. Help yourself to a BAG of GAMES!

6TH ANNUAL OPC TALENT SHOW

Will be held on Saturday, February 23. Dinner is at 5:00 pm and the show starts at 6:00 pm. Acts are needed - please sign up in the Gathering Area.

COMING IN MARCH: "MEET & EAT LENTEN GROUPS"

You are invited to be a part of a "Meet & Eat Lenten Group" this year for five weeks during Lent. These groups will begin meeting the week after Ash Wednesday (March 6th) and continue until the week before Palm Sunday (April 14th). Various times, day and evening, for gathering here at the church for a simple meal and conversation will be made available. These intergenerational groups, focused on the opportunity to share, care, and pray, will help us to embrace our Lenten theme, "Draw Me Nearer, to God and Neighbor." While we may not always be present to connect with our brothers and sisters on Sundays, these groups present a unique opportunity to be connected at other times. Please be on the lookout for specific details on these new groups that will be a weekly opportunity to draw near to God and one another. Sign-ups will be on line and in bulletin inserts starting next week.

2019 FLOWER CHART

The flower chart for this year is now available on the CCAP table just outside the Sanctuary doors. Sign up to provide flowers to enhance worship on a special Sunday in honor or memory of a loved one or marking a unique occasion.

THE SESSION—ELDERS

Stephen Brown Clerk
David Witt Moderator

Class of 2019

Mitch Orndorff Administration Ministry, Personnel Team
Robin Owens Mission Ministry
Susanna Shade Mission Ministry
Leslie Tucker Worship Ministry

Class of 2020

Lance Pearce Administration Ministry, Building & Grounds Team
Becky Proctor Fellowship Ministry
Susan Ritter... Administration Ministry, Technology & Communications Team
Kirsta Weber Christian Education Ministry

Class of 2021

Bill Deck Christian Education Ministry
Carole Fox Administration Ministry, Finance Team
Al Owens Administration Ministry, Building & Grounds Team
Jim Youngblood Administration Ministry, Finance Team

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Debbie Bender Class of 2019, Congregational Care Ministry
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Betty Chicklo Class of 2019, Congregational Care Ministry
June Malone Class of 2019, Congregational Care Ministry
Bill Martin Class of 2020, Congregational Care Ministry
Graham Taylor Class of 2020, Congregational Care Ministry

TRUSTEES

Larry Donovan Class of 2020
Mac McNichols, Chair Class of 2021
George Schember Class of 2019

WORSHIP NOTES AND REFLECTIONS

Notes on Today's Music

How did the music this morning focus on God's call?

Notes on Today's Prayers

Notes on Today's Children's Conversation

What does God want you to do now?

Notes on Today's Scripture and Sermon

What does it mean to be called by God?

What excuses do we make to ignore that call?

How does that call take shape?

What is the power behind the first word Jesus speaks in the synagogue: "Today"?

How can Jesus speak with such authority?

What is God calling you to do today?

What did I learn from Jeremiah 1 and Luke 4 that I may apply to my life?