

Order of Service

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: We gather to worship God.

People: Who creates us and loves us.

Leader: Who gifts us with diversity and makes us for community.

People: Who gives Jesus Christ to show us how to live?

Leader: Who inspires children, youth, adults, and people of all ages.

People: To seek justice, share power, and live together in love and equality.

Leader: Who invites us to join the struggle for wholeness and well-being for all.

People: And whose presence, grace, and love sustain us in our living. Amen.

*Opening Hymn 756

O God of Every Nation

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Most holy and merciful God: we acknowledge and confess our slowness to do good, our blindness to injustice, and our complicity in deferring the dreams and hopes of the oppressed. We have refused to heed your call to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you, our God. We condemn racial injustice in our pronouncements, yet we cling to the privileges derived from inequity. When we ought to be ashamed of our failures, we prefer to cling to private, selfish, imprisoning desires. Help us to name our sin, to claim responsibility for our actions, and to change our behavior. Shake us from our sleep that we might hear your imperative to do justice. Move us to action with the compassion and grace that your will might be done on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

Moment of Silence for Personal Reflection Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

Leader: Having been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ, let us share signs of that reconciliation with one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you. (Please share the peace of Christ with those around you by saying, "Peace be with you.")

Children's Time

Scripture I Thessalonians 5:12-22; N.T. p. 205 Pew Bible
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Special Music

Homily *If vs Though Faith* Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

***Hymn 317** *In Christ There Is No East or West*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (p. 35 *Glory to God*)

Offering

Offertory

***Doxology 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn 300** *We Are One in the Spirit*

Closing Prayer

Leader: We share one faith,

People: have one calling,

Leader: are of one soul and one mind;

People: have one God and Creator,

Leader: are filled with one Spirit,

People: are baptized with one baptism,

Leader: eat of one bread and drink of one cup,

People: confess one Name,

Leader: are obedient to one Lord,

People: work for one cause, and share one hope.

Leader: Together we come to know the height and the breadth and the depth of the love of Christ;

People: are built up to the stature of Christ, to the new humanity;

Leader: know and bear one another's burdens, thereby fulfilling the law of Christ

People: that we need one another and build up one another

Leader: admonishing and comforting one another;

People: that we suffer with one another for the sake of righteousness.

Leader: Together we pray;

People: together we serve God in this world.

All: In the name of Jesus, who calls us to unity, reconciliation and justice. Amen.

*Benediction

*Postlude

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* Please rise in body or spirit.

WELCOME! We are glad you have joined us to worship God. Please sign the Welcome & Sign-In Pad letting us know of your presence in worship today. If you are a visitor, we invite you to introduce yourself to our Deacon of the Day, Michele Pellette, who will be available after worship at the Guest Welcome Center in the Reception Room.

HEARING ASSIST DEVICES and large print bulletins and hymns (in binders) are available at the back of the Sanctuary.

BABY CARE for infants through three year olds is available in the Mother's Day Out nursery located in the Education Wing.

THE FLOWERS on the Communion Table are given by Mary McKinley in loving memory of her parents, Sam and Ruth McKinley.

THE OFFERING is one way for us to respond to God. Monetary gifts to support the ministry of OPPC are greatly appreciated as are the offering of time and talents. Check out our Welcome Center for a variety of current service opportunities.

PRAYER PARTNER MINISTRY - If you have a prayer concern and would like it lifted before God this week, we have Prayer Partners who will pray daily through the coming week. Please share your prayer request through our Welcome Registry in the sanctuary, or speak with a pastor or Stephen Minister after the service.

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK are Millicent and Steven Wilson, Nancy Wilson, the Kevin Wintringer family, and the Nathan Wintringer Family. Each week we highlight several families from our membership and ask you to pray for them by name during your daily devotions.

FRIENDS OF NIGHT PEOPLE meal will be served on Wednesday, January 17. Please sign up today to supply salad or fresh fruit. Servers with a smile may also sign up to carpool downtown. Cars leave OPPC at 4:00 and return at 7:30 p.m. Contact Carol Schuster if you are interested. Can't head downtown? Wednesday at 8:30 a.m. the meal creation is happening in Fellowship Hall. Join us!

ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS – If you are planning on going south for the winter months, please notify the church office of your departure date and temporary address. Thank you!

The 2018 Communion Table **FLOWER CALENDAR** is available across from the Welcome Center. There are openings for January 28, February 11, and February 18. The cost per arrangement is \$40.00 and will be provided by *Expressions Florist*. Thank you for your support by contributing to the beauty of our worship with a floral arrangement.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN OF WNY Winter Gathering will be held on Saturday, February 3, at North Presbyterian Church, Williamsville. Registration is at 10:30 a.m. Lunch is \$7.00. We will carpool from the church parking lot. For reservations please contact Sue Sager by Sunday, January 21.

FROZEN CHOZEN 5K WALK & RUN to benefit Family Promise of WNY will be on Saturday, January 27, at 10:00 a.m. beginning at St. John's Lutheran Church. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. and the run and walk begin at 10:00 a.m. Details and registration forms are available at the Welcome Center.

4th Annual **HEALTH MINISTRY TEAM LUNCHEON** ~ *Sugar Shockers: New Food Labels and Why We Should All Care!* Sunday, January 28, from 11:45 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with guest speaker Theresa Bindig, MS, RD, CDN, Nutrition Counseling. This interactive, fun, and informative program about added sugars, the new food labels, and understanding organic options is for all ages and stages. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome!

AUDIO/VIDEO SERMONS are available on our website, oppchurch.org.

ALL SIGN UP SHEETS are at the Welcome Center

Sunday Morning Worship and Program Facilitators

Baby Care:	JoAnn Tokasz and Amanda Putnam
Coffee Servers:	Joe and Val Venturo
Deacon of the Day and Flower Delivery:	Michele Pellette
Greeters/Ushers:	Dave and Mary Brummer, Tom Feidt (head usher), Lenore Reid
Guest Organist:	Shelley Wos
Special Music:	Jay McDonnell

The Staff of Orchard Park Presbyterian Church

The Rev. Dr. Richard Young, Head of Staff
The Rev. Allyn Foster, Pastoral Assistant
Linda Babcock, Director of Education and Mission
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January 14, 2018
10:30 a.m. Worship

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OPPC Calendar

SUNDAY, JANUARY 14 – Family Promise in Fellowship Hall

- 8:30 a.m. Communion Service – Sanctuary
- 9:15 a.m. Blood Pressure Screening – CR area
- 9:15 a.m. Baby Care – MDO Nursery
- 9:30 a.m. Education for all ages
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
- 11:45 a.m. Blood Pressure Screening – CR area
- 11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour – Reception Room

MONDAY, JANUARY 15 – Church office closed for MLK Day; Family Promise in Fellowship Hall

- 5:30 p.m. Disciple Bible Study I – Conference Room
- 7:00 p.m. Mother’s Day Out Board
- 7:30 p.m. Property Ministry Team – The Meeting Place

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16

Family Promise in Fellowship Hall

- 9:00 a.m. Tuesdays With Tools – Meet at church
- 10:00 a.m. Staff meeting – Conference Room
- 6:00 p.m. Brownie Troop 30180 – Undercroft
- 6:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry - Library
- 6:00 p.m. CSA Derby Committee – The Meeting Place
- 7:00 p.m. Book Club – Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17

Family Promise in Fellowship Hall

- 10:00 a.m. String Sextet - Sanctuary
- 10:00 a.m. Mission Workshop – The Meeting Place
- 4:00 p.m. Friends of Night People – Fellowship Hall
- 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir rehearsal - Sanctuary

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18

Family Promise in Fellowship Hall

- 7:00 a.m. Men’s Study Group – Panera Bread
- 7:30 p.m. Straightaway (12 Step Recovery) – Undercroft

FRIDAY, JANUARY 19

- 10:30 a.m. Music With Mar – Undercroft
- 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts – Fellowship Hall

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

- 9:30 a.m. Presbytery meeting – Wayside PC, Hamburg

#MLKDAY2018 is a Day of Service tomorrow! Youth and adults from OPPC will be serving at four agencies as part of honoring Dr. King’s dream of a “more just” world!

Music and the Arts Concerts is proud to present **THE BUFFALO PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA’S CHAMBER ORCHESTRA** in concert at the Orchard Park Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, January 31, at 7:00 p.m. Concertmaster Dennis Kim will direct the orchestra works by Bach and Dvorak, including Bach’s Double Violin Concerto, featuring Kim and 2017 BPO Young Artist Violin Competition winner Alice Lee. Tickets are \$15 general admission; \$10 student tickets are also available. To purchase tickets in advance call 885-5000 or visit <https://bpo.org>

Community Events

Blood Pressure Screening

Sunday, January 14, after both worship services

Book Club

Tuesday, January 16, at 7:00 p.m.
Everybody’s Fool by Richard Russo

Men’s Study Group

Thursday, January 18, at 7:00 a.m. at Panera Breads

Monday Morning Women’s Study Group

Monday, January 22, from noon until 2:00 p.m.

Join us for a DVD series ~

Happy? What It Is and How To Find It
by United Methodist Rev. Matt Miofsky

Health Ministry Team Luncheon

Sunday, January 28, from 11:45 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
Sugar Shockers: New food labels and why we should all care!
Sign up at the Welcome Center

Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra

Wednesday, January 31, at 7:00 p.m.
Cost: \$15.00 general admission; \$10.00 student
For advance tickets call 885-5000 or bpo.org