Order of Service

* Please rise in body or spirit as you are able.

Prelude

Aberystwyth J. Pachelbel

Charles Wesley Hymn: Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Greetings and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Leader: We will awaken the dawn, O Lord! We will awaken the world as we sing and make melody praising your name!

People: We will awaken the world, for this is the day that the Lord has made and we rejoice!

Leader: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, and praise your name, for your glory is over all the earth and fills the heavens.

People: We will praise Father, Son and Holy Spirit as together we sing, as together we listen, as together we worship the Lord our God!

*Opening Hymn 386

Come, Worship God

Responsive Psalm of Confession (from Psalm 32)

Leader: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

People: Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Leader: While I kept silence, my body wasted away, through my groaning all day long. My strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

People: Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the guilt of my sin.

Leader: Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to you. Many are the torments of those who turn from God, but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

People: We acknowledge our sins with penitent hearts, O Lord. Forgive us, wash us clean, and renew your Holy Spirit within us. We pray filled with hope in the name of our Lord, Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Moment of Silence for Personal Reflection

Kyrie

Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison; Kyrie, Kyrie, eleison; Christe, Christe eleison; Christe, Christe eleison

*Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, this is such joyous news: we are born anew in Jesus, born to new life in him! Each of us has become a new creation in Christ, a new creation through Christ! Yesterday is gone forever, and a new life has begun here and now. Let us all shout out the glorious news:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*Passing of the Peace

Leader: We have been washed clean by the grace and love of God given us in Jesus Christ and filled with the peace which surpasses all understanding. The grace and peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Children’s Time

First Reading

1 John 1:8-10; N. T. p. 239 Pew Bible

Anthem

Pie Jesu A. Lloyd Weber

Blessed Jesus The Wilson Memorial Handbell Choir

Second Reading

Luke 6:37-38; N. T. p. 64 Pew Bible

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Not Just For Lent” Rev. Skip Ferguson

*Hymn 421

Have Mercy, God, upon My Life

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Choral Response

Amen

D. Moore

The Sanctuary Choir

The Offering

Offertory       God So Loved the World  J. S. Bach

The Sanctuary Choir

God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, that who so believeth, believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world thru Him might be saved, that who so believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

*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

Bless these our offerings and tithes, O Lord. Guide us, we pray, that we would use them to plant seeds of hope, seeds of grace, seeds of love. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

*Closing Hymn 445

God, How Can We Forgive

*Benefaction

A. Lambe

The Lord Bless Us and Keep Us

The Sanctuary Choir

The Lord bless us and keep us, make His face to shine upon us, and be gracious unto us. The Lord life up his countenance upon us, and give us peace, this day and evermore. Amen.

*Postlude

Caprice sur les Grands Jeux

L.-N. Clérambault

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.
The FLOWERS on the Communion Table are given in loving memory of Tom and Jean Somerville and Dave and June Heckmiller by the Somerville family.

THE OFFERING is one way for us to respond to God. Monetary gifts to support the ministry of OPPC are greatly appreciated. Secure Online Giving to OPPC is now available. Please refer to the contribution cards in the seat-back where you will find the QR code.

TODAY we welcome Kim Kotz, organizer of Feed My Starving Children, and Physical Therapist Assistant professor from Villa Maria College, was inspired by the grim news that 6,200 children die every day from lack of food. Kim will share with us how we can help with the upcoming Mobile Food Pack event the first weekend in April. Kim will be in the Reception Room all morning to answer any questions you may have about this important feeding ministry that OPPC’s Mission Ministry Team supports.

CONFIRMATION CLASS meets today in The Meeting Place from 11:45 a.m. until 1:45 p.m. for a hands-on workshop about Spiritual Practices.

DEACONS will meet on Monday, march 16, at 7:00 p.m. in The Meeting Place.

STEPHEN MINISTERS will meet on Tuesday, March 17, at 6:00 p.m. in the Green Room.

BOOK CLUB meets Tuesday, March 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room to discuss Sulfur Springs by William Kent Krueger. Please join us!

PRAYER BOARD – The Prayer Board is located in the Reception Room near the name tags. Please write or draw your prayer on one of the small slips of paper provided and clip it onto the board. The Prayer Board will be carried into worship but not read aloud or shared. The prayers are considered “unspoken prayers from our hearts.” This is a unique and special opportunity for children, and all members of our congregation to express their concerns or joys.

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

PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK - Each week we highlight several families from our congregation and ask you to pray for them, by name, during daily devotions. The families are not selected because of any specific need or immediate concern, but simply as a way to keep our entire congregation in our prayers. The families this week are Bob and Laurie Wozniak, the Boeheim Wrazen family, the Wylie family, and the Stepniak Yeomans family.

Sunday Morning Worship and Program Facilitators
Baby Care: JoAnn Tokasz and Lisa Quinn
Elder of the Day: Don Schmid
Flower Delivery: Michele Pellette
Greeters/Ushers: Jack Hinners (head usher), Jan Robinson, Andrea, Madelyn, and Ashlyn Shurtleff
Worship Assistant: Kathy Houghton
Please sign up to bring food items or volunteer on Thursday, March 19 for our PEACE, LOVE, & FOOD COMMUNITY MEAL. We are hoping to grow attendance at this dinner so if you know of anyone who eats alone, please invite them to attend with you!

Presbyterian Women SPRING LUNCHEON tickets are on sale today for $10.00. The speaker at the Saturday, March 28 luncheon will be Karen Wielski, author and speaker about flight 3407 that crashed into her home on February 12, 2009.

Operation Dough Nation PANERA BREAD pick-up has some openings on the calendar! Please sign-up at the Welcome Center for March 31, April 7 and 28, May 5 and 26. If you would like more information, please contact Linda Babcock.

EASTER FLOWERS ~ Please help decorate the sanctuary for Easter. To order foil-wrapped plants in honor of, or in memory of, loved ones, please complete an envelope and enclose $8.00 per plant (lilies, pink hyacinths, or yellow tulips.) Envelopes are located at the Welcome Center. Checks are payable to OPPC and marked “Easter Flowers” in the memo section. The last day to order flowers is Tuesday, March 31.

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

HOSPITALIZED – Don Abrams is in Strong Memorial Hospital, Rochester.

SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of Ruth Huppuch who died on March 2. Ruth joined our church on April 6, 1952. A memorial service for Ruth will take place on a future date.

ALL SIGN UP SHEETS are at the Welcome Center.