

Order of Service

* Please rise in body or spirit.

Prelude *St. David* R. Proulx

Greetings and Announcements

***Call to Worship** Psalm 81:1

Leader: Sing aloud to God our strength.

People: Shout for joy to the Lord of Life.

Leader: Blessed be the one, holy and living God.

People: Glory to God forever.

***Opening Hymn 35** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

***Prayer of Confession (unison)**

Holy God, we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely. Instead, we calculate our gains and losses, hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant life.

Forgive us, and help us to treasure only you, that we may follow you faithfully and discover the blessings only you can give. 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 Blessing of the Backpacks

Baptism *Gavin Bailey Grabau*

Son of Sydney (Bailey) and Trevor Grabau

Hymn 482 vs. 1 and 2 *Baptized in Water*

First Reading Psalm 139:1-12; O.T. p. 577 Pew Bible

Anthem *Praise the Lord, O My Soul* C. Marsh
The Sanctuary Choir

Praise the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, praise His holy name, and forget not all His benefits; Who forgiveth all thy sin, and healeth all thine infirmities; Who saveth thy life from destruction, and crowneth thee with mercy and loving kindness, O praise the Lord, ye angels of His, ye that excel in strength; Ye that fulfill His commandment, and hearken unto the voice of His word. O praise the Lord, all ye His hosts; ye servants of His that do His pleasure. O speak good of the Lord, all ye works of His, In all places of His dominion: Praise the Lord, O my soul. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.

Second Reading Luke 14:25-33; N.T. p. 78 Pew Bible
This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "*Standing Tall in the Crowd*" Rev. Allyn Foster

***Hymn 749** *Come! Live in the Light!*

Reception of New Members Richard Hare and Nancy Hartung

Prayers of the People

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

Choral Response *Amen* J. Kirkby

The Sanctuary Choir

The Offering

Offertory *In My Father's House* C. Courtney

The Sanctuary Choir

In my Father's house, you will find a place in the warm embrace of an open door. In my Father's house, leave the past behind, come inside and find what you're longing for, solace can be found, comfort will surround the bruised and broken, children live in peace, war and hatred cease and love is spoken. In my Father's house, pardoned from all sin, free from what has been, life can start again, prodigals come home, no one walks alone, come and enter in, in my Father's house.

***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**

***Closing Hymn 327** *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

***Benediction**

***Benediction Response** *Peace I Leave with You*

The Sanctuary Choir W. Vanderhoeven

Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

***Postlude** *Es ist das Heil* R. Proulx
St. Paul

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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, Alice Holmes, 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 NEW NURSERY ~ the "Green Room" which is located next to the JAHva Spot.

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.

THE FLOWERS on the Communion Table are given by George Wolsley in loving memory of his wife, Nancy Wolsley.

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

It's a **NEW NURSERY!** The "Green Room" is an all-purpose meeting space throughout the week (located next to the JAHva Spot) and on Sunday mornings we open closets and cubbies and it is transformed into a nursery! Parents with infants through three year olds are welcome to use the nursery which has a staff caregiver and a volunteer every Sunday from 9:15 until 11:45 a.m. Many thanks to Perry Babcock and Jim Wilson for their time in creating this lovely new space!

It's a **NEW LIBRARY!** The Meeting Place is now home to OPPC's library of books for all ages. From Bible reference guides to Commentaries (helpful for Worship Assistants) to books on prayer (great resources for anyone leading a church meeting) to children's books and even some DVD's. Please check out the shelves, borrow the book and bring it back when you are done. We are operating on the honor system!

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING will take place next Sunday, September 15, after worship in the Conference Room area.

PEACE LOVE & FOOD Community Meal is Thursday, September 19! Please sign up at the Welcome Center to bring a food item or volunteer to set up, serve or clean up after the meal.

Sunday Morning Worship and Program Facilitators

Baby Care: JoAnn Tokasz and Barb Badame
Deacon of the Day
and Flower Delivery: Alice Holmes
Worship Assistant: Linda Babcock

THE WAYS OPPC PRAYS

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 the Rhodes family, the Rider family, the Ridge family, and the Doug Roberts family.



*A thriving faith community
engaged in compassionate service.*



September 8, 2019
10:30 a.m. Worship

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OPPC Calendar

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:30 a.m. Communion Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:15 a.m. Baby Care – MDO Nursery
9:15 a.m. Welcome Back Breakfast – Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Sanctuary Choir Warm-Up - Sanctuary
10:30 a.m. Worship Service – Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Coffee Hour – Reception Room
3:00 p.m. Girl Scout Troop 30350 - Undercroft

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

12:00 p.m. A&F Ministry Team – Conference Room
1:00 p.m. Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team – The Meeting Place
5:00 p.m. Chorale Board – Green Room
6:00 p.m. Zumba – Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Chorale rehearsal – Sanctuary/Reception Room
7:30 p.m. Ministry Teams gather – The Meeting Place
7:40 p.m. Hospitality Ministry Team - Undercroft
7:40 p.m. Membership Ministry Team – Green Room
7:40 p.m. Mission Ministry Team – Irene Irving Room
7:40 p.m. Property Ministry Team – The Meeting Place
7:40 p.m. Worship Ministry Team – Conference Room

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

9:00 a.m. Tuesdays With Tools – Meet at church
10:00 a.m. Open Door Respite – TMP/GR/IIR/SANCT
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting – Conference Room
6:00 p.m. Pilates – Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Barre – Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

10:00 a.m. Mission Workshop – The Meeting Place
1:00 p.m. Embraceable Ewe – Irene Irving Room
6:00 p.m. Zumba – Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Handbell Choir rehearsal - Sanctuary

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

10:00 a.m. Embraceable Ewe – Irene Irving Room
3:00 p.m. CE Ministry Team – Conference Room
7:30 p.m. Straightaway (12 Step Recovery) – Undercroft

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

10:30 a.m. Music with Mar – Undercroft

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9:00 a.m. CSA Board – The Meeting Place

The **FALL GATHERING** of Presbyterian Women of WNY will be held on Saturday, September 21, at First Presbyterian Church in Springville. The theme is “Honor Life Givers ~ planning for our lives as we age.” One of the speakers will be Sherry Pomeroy, RN, PhD, the OPPC Faith Community Nurse. Registration is at 10:00 a.m. The cost of the lunch is \$7.00. To make a reservation, please contact Sue Sager by Sunday, September 8.

MINISTRY TEAMS gather tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. in The Meeting Place.

A&F MINISTRY TEAM meets tomorrow at 12:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

CE MINISTRY TEAM meets Thursday, September 12, at 3:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

PANERA BREAD PICK UP date is available for Tuesday, October 29. Please sign up at the Welcome Center on the calendar if you are able to pick up the day’s end baked goods and deliver to Friends of Night People the next day between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Attend the **WNY REFUGEEEE FILM FESTIVAL** to raise funds to benefit the many programs and services of Journey’s End Refugee Services! An Ambassador Film pass includes 7 award-winning films, a special screening at Shea’s with a director-led talkback for ALL film pass holders, a Global VIP Reception with food and entertainment, a FREE commemorative T-shirt, fun door prizes, and much more! Details here: www.wnyrff.org

The **GREAT LAKES BEACH SWEEP** at Woodlawn Beach is Saturday, September 21. We carpool from OPPC parking lot at 9:30 a.m. to sweep the beach in the largest INTERNATIONAL coastal waterways clean-up! We arrive back to OPPC around 12:30 p.m. Youth in grades 6-12 are encouraged to attend plus families and other interested adults are most welcome to join us. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

The Christian Education Ministry Team is grateful for the following volunteers who dedicate their time and care for our children and youth on Sunday mornings!

Babycare: Barbara Badame, Julie Carroll, Amy and Ryan Kilpatrick, Amanda and Christie Putnam, Lisa Quinn, and Sue Sager.

Pre-K through Fifth Grade: Beth Etzenhouser, Jen Noah, Robin Testa, and Jan Robinson, our Storyteller.

Middle/High School Youth: Kurt Graulich and Jamie Owens.

SENIOR MOMENTS is a Sunday morning adult education class that will begin next Sunday, September 15, and will be led by Rev. Allyn Foster at 9:30 a.m. in The Meeting Place. Based on the Sign up for the class and a book (\$10 payable at the first class) at the Welcome Center.

The **TAG (Together All Grow)** tutoring program for immigrant and refugee children will begin the fall session on Monday, September 16, from 6:15 until 7:30 p.m. This will take place in various locations which will depend upon where tutors are located. Tuesdays and Wednesdays/Fridays may also be considered. If you think kids are great and enjoy helping them learn to read and be successful at school then please contact Kathleen Johnson at kidsaregreattag@yahoo.com for further questions or to volunteer.

DAILY DEVOTIONALS are available at the Welcome Center.

Health Ministry Team News

Did you know that OPPC offers a free social day respite program for people with Alzheimer’s or other dementias? **OPEN DOOR @ OPPC meets the second Tuesday of every month from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.** Our enthusiastic and trained volunteers will provide fellowship and fun for loved ones and give caregivers a much-needed break. The program is open to the community; registration is required. Please contact Sherry Pomeroy at sherry@oppchurch.org or call 662-9348 ext. 309.

Are you looking for a joyful and fulfilling volunteer opportunity at OPPC? Do you have volunteer service requirements at your college or business? **OPEN DOOR @ OPPC meets the second Tuesday of every month from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.** providing fellowship for people with Alzheimer's or other dementias while their caregivers take a much-needed break! Training is required but can be completed in small groups or individually. We especially need more men volunteers. Please contact Sherry Pomeroy, Faith Community Nurse, at sherry@oppchurch.org or call 662-9348 ext. 309 for more information.

VACCINATION SUNDAY will take place next Sunday, September 15, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. at Nativity of Our Lord Church. Vaccinations are for Influenza (Flu Shot), Pneumococcal conjugate (Prevnar 13, PCV 13), Pneumococcal polysaccharide (PPSV23), Shingles, and Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis) for 10 year of age and older.

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And size 3 & 4 Diapers.

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Your donations are meeting this commonly overlooked need.

Also needed are size 3 & 4 Diapers, please.



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