

Responding to the Word

* **HYMN:** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” — GTG #475

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from *A Brief Statement of Faith (1991)*)

CONCERNS & CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

* **RESPONSE:** “Doxology” — GTG #606

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***Bearing and Following the Word
Into the World***

* **HYMN:** “Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!” — GTG #198

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **RESPONSE:** “Go with Us, Lord” — GTG #748

* *Please stand in body or in spirit.*

Worship Leaders this morning are:

- Rev. Steven Barnes, *Pastor/Head of Staff*
- Rev. Colleen Cook, *Associate Pastor for Children, Youth, & Outreach*
- Rev. Sue Jacobson, *Parish Associate*
- Alan Bunn, *Director of Music Ministries*
- Dan Henkel, *Liturgist*



Looking Ahead

Palm Sunday, March 29th

- 9:15 am** – Sunday School for all ages
- 10:00 am** – Choir Rehearsal
- 10:15 am** – Fellowship & Refreshments
- 10:45 am** – Worship
- 6:00 pm** – Youth at OPC

Tuesday, March 31st

- 8:00 am** – Bible Times via Zoom
- 9:30 am** – Firefly Homeschool
- 10:00 am** – OPC Walkers (Thomas Farm Preserve)
- 10:30 pm** – Staff Meeting (Steven’s Office)
- 5:30 pm** – Taco Soup Tuesday & Cake Auction

Wednesday, April 1st

- 4:00 pm** – Mission Team Meeting (Pine Top Table)
- 6:00 pm** – Handbell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm** – Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Maundy Thursday, April 2nd

- 9:30 am** – Firefly Homeschool
- 10:30 am** – Lily Pads (Stained Glass Room)
- 6:00 pm** – Service at OPC

Good Friday, April 3rd

- 7:00 am** – Interdenominational Men’s Group (Upstairs)
- 7:00 pm** – Worship Service @ Covenant Presbyterian

Easter Sunday, April 5th

- 7:00 am** – Sunrise Service (Front Lawn)
- 9:15 am** – Fellowship (Front Lawn)
- 9:45 am** – Egg Hunt (Front Lawn)
- 10:00 am** – Choir Rehearsal
- 10:45 am** – Worship/Communion

Will you SERVE?

Did we invite you today to give talent to this church, or time to a mission partner? Did one in particular tug at your heart? If so, volunteer below! Please list the ministry you are interested in.

- Ministry:
- Name(s):
- E-mail(s):
- Phone(s):

Are You Connected?

Visitors – Do we have your contact information?
Members – Are there any changes in your information?

Everyone – Are you, your children, and youth connected to a small group?
Name(s) & Age(s):

- Address:
- Phone number:
- Email:

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May we PRAY with You?

We would love to pray with or for you. Write your prayer request below, or email to office@opcusa.org

- For now, share **only** with Pastors and Prayer leaders.
- I would like to have deeper conversation about this request.
- I would like to have my prayer request listed in the bulletin.

What's Happening at OPC

Small Groups

Bible Times (Adult Study) – Tuesdays at 8:00am via Zoom. We are reading *“The Bible Tells Me So”* by Peter Enns. Contact Frank Broadrick for more information at fbroadrick@gmail.com.

Friendship Circle: (Evening Women's Small Group) – We meet on the 3rd Monday of the month. Contact Amy Neill at amyneill63@gmail.com for more information.

Lily Pads (Women's Group – All are welcome!) – Thursdays at 10:30am in the Stained Glass Room at OPC. We are reading *“Good Enough”* by Kate Bowler. Contact Carolyn Ashley at Carolynashley2015@gmail.com.

Prime Timers – Adults prime in their time. For more information contact Becky at 706-202-7530 or email at rebeccamccaskey72@gmail.com.

Pub Theology – Join us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:00pm. We are reading *“No Innocent Bystanders: Becoming an Ally in the Struggle for Justice.”* Bob Haltiwanger at bobhalti@yahoo.com for more information.

Walkers – Tuesdays at 10:00am. All are welcome to join us at Thomas Farm Preserve, Watkinsville's new Park! 73 Simonton Bridge Road.

Mission Opportunities

Little Free Pantry – Nonperishable, tightly sealed food items, personal care items, no home cooked items.

March Mission of the Month: Family Promise. Items needed: Clorox Wipes, Cleaning Spray, Dish Liquid, Body Wash or Soap, Women's & Men's Deodorant, Lotion, Diaper Wipes, Trash Bags, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper. Place items in bin at ministry table.

April Missions – ACTS, OPC Garden, Little Free Pantry

Order of Worship

March 29th, 2026 — Oconee Presbyterian Church
Palm Sunday

Gathering Around the Word

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE & PROCESSIONAL

* CALL TO WORSHIP

* HYMN: “All Glory, Laud, and Honor” – GTG #196

Being Renewed in Grace

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

* DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

Proclaiming the Word

* RESPONSE: “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”—GTG #582
(verse 1)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 78:1-8

TIME WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

RESPONSE: “Where Children Belong” – Sing the Faith #2233

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 1:26-33 and Luke 2:34-35

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON: “Mary Did You Know?”

Rev. Sue Jacobson

MOMENT FOR MEDITATION