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9:30 a.m. Worship Service

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Order of Service

*Please rise in body or spirit

Prelude All Things Bright and Beautiful arr. Hutchings

Chime Intonation

Greetings and Announcements

*Call to Worship (Psalm 134)

Leader: Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, **People: Who stand by night in the house of the Lord!**

Leader: Lift up your hands in the holy place,

People: And bless the Lord!

Leader: May the Lord bless you from Zion,
ALL: He who made heaven and earth!

*Opening Hymn #610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*Invitation to Confession

Leader: The material world surrounding us bids us to measure our value by the possessions we can amass through our efforts toward success as defined by material standards. Let us confess our need to claim our true value as beloved members of God's loving community, bearing God's own image.

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God our Creator, we confess that our desire for material treasure sometimes diverts our awareness that apart from you, we are weak and helpless. We pray for humble and thankful hearts truly open to your presence in every moment. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: This is the message we have heard from God: That God is light and in God there is no darkness at all. If we walk in the light, as God is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his son cleanses us from all sin. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

*Peace of Christ

Leader: Having been reconciled to God in Jesus Christ, let us now share the signs of that reconciliation with one another. The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you. (Please share the Peace of Christ with those around you saying "Peace be with you".)

Children's Time

Special Music Pie Jesu Fauré

Melanie Bebak, Voice & Amelia Wroblewski, Piano

Scripture Reading Luke 12:13-21, N. T. pg. 74

Sermon Rich Toward God Rev. Allyn Foster

The Offering Liczę na Ciebie, Ojcze

Offertory Melanie Bebak, Voice & Amelia Wroblewski, Piano M. Nazaretanka

*Doxology #606

(Melody) Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ,

all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise

Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Now let us pray the prayer that the Lord Jesus taught us saying:

People: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, the power, and the glory, forever.

Amen.

*Closing Hymn #19 God of Great and God of Small

*Benediction

Postlude Praise to the Lord, the Almighty arr. Kristeen Polhamus

Thank you to Melanie Bebak for sharing her gift of voice with us today!

WELCOME! We are glad you have joined us to worship God. If you are a visitor, we invite you to introduce yourself to our Elder of the Day, Wil Weiss who will be available after worship.

Our **LITURGIST** this morning is Nancy Meister. The **USHERS/GREEETERS** today is the Woodard Family; Paul, Kaitlyn, Noah and Emma.

Please sign the **FRIENDSHIP PAD** as it makes its way down your row. If you are a visitor or have recently changed your address, please include this and any other information you wish to share.

The **PRAYER BOARD** is located in the Reception Room at the name tag table. You are invited to use a slip of paper to write or draw your prayer and clip it to the board. The Prayer Board will be brought into worship; however, the prayers will not be read aloud or shared. This is a unique and special opportunity for children and adults to be able to express their joys and/or concerns.

THREE WAYS TO WORSHIP! In Person, live streamed at 9:30 a.m. on Facebook and then the service (which is being recorded as we worship in person) will be available Sunday afternoons on the OPPC You Tube channel which can be accessed directly from You Tube or our webpage: www.oppchurch.org. **Please be aware that the worship service is being recorded as well as live streamed and will be broadcast via the internet.**

^{*}Prayer of Thanksgiving

WE WELCOME KIDS IN WORSHIP as together we are the whole people of God and today all the children are staying in worship as our regular CE programming is done until September. Worship Bags are always available in the Reception Room at the CE table. The Nursery will be open, and the service will be live streamed, so if a Little One gets restless, a parent may take them there to play and still see the service.

The **Presbyterian Women of WNY** will be presenting **Finding Resilience, Joy and Our Identity in Jesus Christ** on Saturday, August 23, 2025 from 9:30 A.M to 11:30 A.M. in the Meeting Place with coffee, tea, water and snacks being provided. There is no charge for this interesting program and please register by calling Sue Sager at 716-662-9413 by August 15th. All women are invited and we hope to see you there!

Christine will be **out of the office August 14 through August 19**. The office will be **open** from **9:30 a.m. to 11:30** a.m. only.

Weather permitting, WORSHIP will be held in the Memorial Garden on Sunday, August 24.

We have a **FEW open dates available in NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER** on the **2025** Communion Table **FLOWER CALENDAR.** The cost per arrangement is \$50.00 and will be provided by *Expressions Florist*. Please call Christine in the church office at 716-662-9348.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR: September 20, OPPC Potluck Dinner and September 27, Labyrinth Walk with Deerhurst Presbyterian Church. More information to follow.

Do you give online to OPPC? If so, be sure to check out the "*I give online*" cards available at the Name Tag Table on Sunday mornings! Pick up one of the cards and when the offering plate goes around place your "*I give online*" card in as an act of worship. If you would like to learn more about online giving, contact Jessica Merry our Business Manager.

The **FLOWERS** on the Communion Table are given by the Saintz family.

Next week, **AUGUST 17**, is **SANDWICH SUNDAY**! Please bring your individually wrapped sandwich of any kind and drop it off at the table by The Welcome Center. A volunteer will then drop them off at St. Luke's Mission of Mercy to be handed out during the next day or so to those who show up to the doors hungry.

Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to volunteer at **THE GENESIS CENTER on FRIDAY, AUGUST 15 from 3:30 until 6:05 p.m**. Please reach out to Linda Babcock if you are interested in this service opportunity for your youth: lindab@oppchurch.org

Pastor Hughes will be away through August 23. For pastoral care, please contact Rev. Allyn Foster. Rev. Abigail Trautman will be here to preach next **Sunday, August 17.**

THE OFFERING is one way of many ways for us to respond to God. Monetary gifts to support the ministry of OPPC are greatly appreciated. Secure online giving is now available. Scan the QR Code with your cell phone and you will be directed to our Online Giving Site. You can also give by Text as well: 844-980-1625, enter your dollar amount and hit enter.

