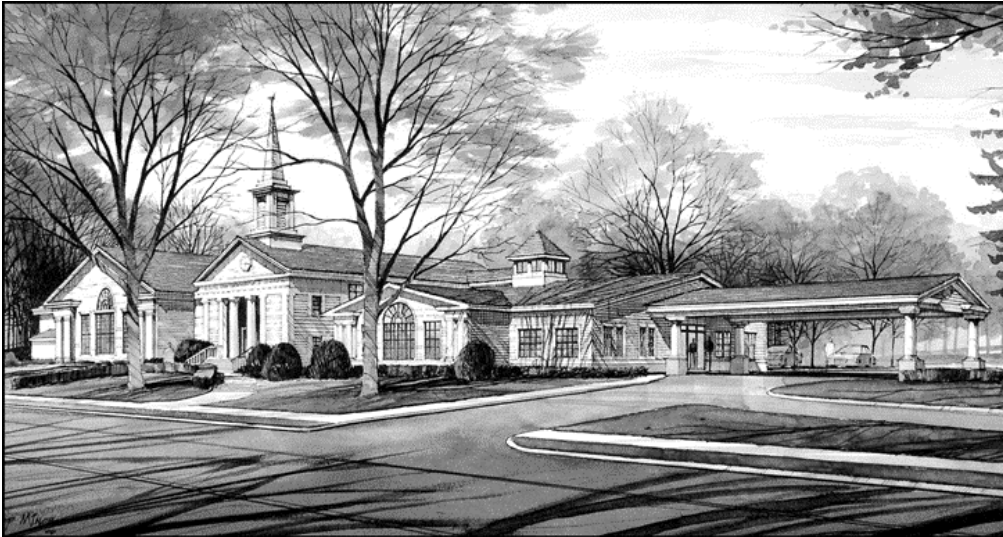




***A thriving faith community
engaged in compassionate service.***



August 2, 2026

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

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Order of Service

*Please rise in body or spirit

Prelude

Come, My Heart

J. S. Bach

Greetings

***Call to Worship** (from Psalm 145:8-9, 14-18)

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The Lord is good to all, and God's compassion is over all that God has made.

The Lord upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down.

The eyes of all look to you, God, and you give them their food in due season.

You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.

The Lord is just in all God's ways, and kind in all God's doings. The Lord is near to all who call on the Lord, to all who call on the Lord in truth.

***Opening Hymn #366**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

***Invitation to Confession**

We come to confession not because we believe we are bad people, but because we know there are areas of our lives that stand in need of God's healing touch. And God, who is more ready to forgive than we are to confess, will hear us with a loving ear, ready to heal any brokenness within us or between us.

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

Holy God, you have revealed yourself to us in Jesus Christ. Everything we need to know about you has been shown. Your goodness, mercy, healing and renewal are on full display. But sometimes we do not see what is right before us. Sometimes we miss the miracle. We misunderstand you, and so we misunderstand the world. Forgive us, we pray. Restore to us the ability to see you as you reveal yourself. Renew within us the capacity to perceive your way in the world, for this life, and in the life that is to come. We pray in Jesus' name, and for his sake.

(A moment for silent confession)

***Assurance of Pardon** (2 Corinthians 5:17-19)

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see: everything has become new.

All this is from God, who reconciled us to God's self through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

Believe the promise of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Be kind to one another, and tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. The Peace of Christ be with you.

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

Children's Time

Announcements

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God, amidst the flood of words that barrage us daily, speak your eternal Word that offers life, and bless us in its hearing, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 17, 1-7, 15, O. T. pg. 496

Special Music

Go Light Your World Chris Rice/ Allen Pote
Quartet: Amy Kilpatrick, Heather Dietsch,
Dan Hay and Barry Dietsch

Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:13-21, N. T. pg. 16

Sermon

More than Enough Elder T. J. Quinn

Affirmation of Faith (from A Declaration of Faith, 1977)

Jesus Christ stands at the center of the biblical record. The Bible is the account of God's word and action in history, together with his people's response in faith. It tells how the Lord has moved with Israel and the church towards the kingdom of God, his just and loving rule over all. It is the story of the one God, who is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. That story is still unfolding and in faith we make it our own. It forms our memory and our hope. It tells us who we are and what we are to do. To retell it is to declare what we believe.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer:

Holy God, you have invited us into your presence, calling us to prayer for ourselves and one another. In Jesus Christ, the great high priest, you have given us an intercessor. It is with the assurance that Christ himself gives us that we draw near to you, knowing we will be heard, knowing that you will listen, knowing that you want to hear our prayers.

We pray for your world, believing that you who created it and sustain it by your spirit, love it still. Where there continues to be violence and bloodshed, year after year, we pray your presence and peace. For leaders striving for peace and justice, we pray your blessing and your sustenance. We pray for those whom society has forgotten. We pray for those whom we have forgotten. For those who are unhoused, the sick, the mentally ill, the outcast and the marginalized. Open our eyes week after week and disturb us to action in order that we might live lives worthy of the calling to which we have been called. Let us not be complacent, but stir our compassion. Remind us of the sea of abundance upon which our lives float, that we might be generous and compassionate, full of your love.

We pray for ourselves, merciful God. Where we harbor secret fears, we pray you will grant us relief. Where we are anxious over matters within our control and without, we ask for peace. Where we too are plagued by the same demons we identify in others, we ask for healing. Where we have allowed lesser gods to usurp your claim upon us and our lives, we pray for forgiveness. For those among us who mourn, we pray for your comfort. We

pray for those plagued by personal demons of mental and emotional illness and addictions; we pray for your presence and your peace.

We pray for those whose troubles are known only to you, O God, that you would guide us to offer a hand of grace in your name to them.

We pray for your church. For the church universal, for the Presbyterian Church, for our congregation, we ask your blessing. Call us once more and give us a vision to be a light to all people. Make us the community of faith you would have us be. Teach us to bear one another's burdens and live for each other.

We make this and all of our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ who taught us to pray together:

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Offering

All that exists does so within the loving providence of God. If we have abundance, it is because God has given us abundance. Remembering God's sustaining work in creation, the offering will now be received.

Offertory

The Lord Is My Shepherd
Amy Kilpatrick and Heather Dietsch

Howard Goodall

***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.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

Holy God, the world and all that is within it was made at your Word. You have blessed us with countless gifts of love. Receive then, our offerings as commitments of our intention to see the world through the eyes of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

***Hymn #187**

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

***Charge and Benediction**

Go into a world of abundance, with eyes open for the miraculous workings of our God, and as you go, may the blessing of our triune God, creator, redeemer and sustainer, be with you always.

Postlude

Save the People

Stephen Schwartz

Thank you to Amy Kilpatrick and Dan Hay for sharing their 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, Al Sager, who will be available after worship.

The **LITURGIST** today is Nancy Meister with the Eugene Family; Mario, Dorcas, Mike, Dave, Molly and Joy as **GREETERS** and **USHERS**.

The **FLOWERS** on the communion table are given by Mike and Nancy Malachowski, in appreciation of their families on the occasion of their anniversary and Mike's mother's 102nd birthday.

Please sign the **WELCOME 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.

Today we **WELCOME** Elder T. J. Quinn, who has been a member of Orchard Park Presbyterian Church since 2012. What began as a place for T.J. and his wife, Lisa, to find a welcoming community of faith has become a church home for their entire family, including their children, Nora (11) and Tommy (9). T.J. has served on Session for nearly two full terms and has been active in the life of the church through the Stewardship, Hospitality, and Administration & Finance ministry teams. Professionally, T.J. works at Odoo, where he joined as one of the company's earliest Buffalo employees in 2020 and has enjoyed helping the organization grow from a startup to a global technology company. He also serves as a trustee of the Peter and Elizabeth Tower Foundation, helping steward its mission of improving the lives of children, adolescents, and young adults affected by intellectual disabilities, mental health challenges, and substance use disorders.

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.

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 beginning Sunday afternoons on the OPPC You Tube channel which can be accessed directly from YouTube 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.

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.

If you are in need of **PASTORAL CARE**, please contact Rev. Rachel Brown, Pastor at Hamburg Presbyterian Church. You can reach her directly at (716) 444-7333.

PRAYER REQUESTS can be submitted to the office. Please remember that our worship service is livestreamed, so discretion should be used when sharing requests involving others.

HELP STOCK THE BLESSING BOX THIS SUMMER!

When doing your weekly shopping throughout the summer, please consider **adding peanut butter, jelly, canned fruit, boxed cereal, pasta sauce, canned tuna and canned chicken** to your list for our Blessing Box! Children are off for the summer and our nonperishable foods are quickly disappearing! Place your donations in the bins marked "Blessing Box" so that our volunteers can stock the cabinet with the appropriate amount each day. Thanks for helping us with this valuable mission project that benefits our community all summer long.

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.**

