

# A thriving faith community engaged in compassionate service.



## July 20, 2025

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

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### Order of Service

\*Please rise in body or spirit

Prelude

D'un vieux Jardin

Lili Boulanger

**Chime Intonation** 

**Greetings and Announcements** 

\*Call to Worship Leader: The Lord welcomes us into sacred space— People: To sit, to listen, to be renewed. Leader: The Lord meets us in our daily work— People: To serve, to love, to be faithful. Leader: Come with open hearts. ALL: We come to sit at Christ's feet and rise in Christ's name.

\*Opening Hymn #475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

#### \*Invitation to Confession

Leader: In our journey of growth and self-awareness, we pause to reflect on our lives. We confess not only our actions, but the patterns and habits that shape them—times when we rush ahead of God, and times when we hesitate to respond to God's call. Let us come honestly before the One who invites us into a grace-filled rhythm of listening and living.

#### \*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Merciful Christ, we confess that we have hurried past you—working, planning, doing—without stopping to listen for your voice. We have treated service as more important than presence, and busyness as more holy than prayer. Forgive us. Renew our rhythm. Help us to sit at your feet, so we may rise with love in our hands. Amen.

#### \*Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Hear this Good News: Jesus welcomes us—not just when we serve, but when we listen. In Christ, we are forgiven, renewed, and called again.

#### People: Thanks be to God, AMEN!

#### \*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** 

**Reception of New Member** 

Delcey Pulvino

**Questions for Candidate** 

**Question for the Congregation** 

Leader: Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture our new member by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of his Church? **People: We Do.** 

Special Music April Dunlap-P	It is Well with my Soul iano, Heather Dunlap- Voice, Michelle	Bliss, arr. DeCesare Rombola-Voice
Scripture Reading		Luke 10:38-42, N. T. pg. 72
Sermon	The Rhythm of Discipleship	Rev. Dr. Wylie Hughes

#### 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.

The Offering	Here I Am Lord	Schuyler, arr. Schrader
Offertory	April Dunlap-Piano, Heather Dunlap-Voice, Michelle	Rombola-Voice

#### \*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

\*Closing Hymn #741

Guide My Feet

\*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love, God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God who proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor, releasing the captives, and calling disciples to follow him. He teaches us still—at tables, in silence, in Scripture. He sends us still—into the world as servants of the Gospel. With believers in every time and place, we listen, we serve, we follow. Thanks be to God, Amen.

Postlude

Minuets I and II April Dunlap, Piano Purcell, arr. Trevor

Thank you to April Dunlap, Heather Dunlap and Michelle Rombola for sharing their gifts of music and voice with us!

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

Our LITURGIST this morning is Doug Carpenter.

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 10:30 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: <u>www.oppchurch.org</u>. **Please be aware that the worship service is being recorded as well as live streamed and will be broadcast via the internet**.

**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.

**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, <u>contact Jessica Merry our</u> <u>Business Manager</u>.

The **FLOWERS** on the Communion Table are given by Wendell Anderson and family in loving memory of Claudia Anderson on her birthday.

**TODAY IS SANDWICH SUNDAY.** Thank you to Barb Olandt for staffing the **SANDWICH SUNDAY** table and to the Woodard Family for delivering them to St. Luke's Mission of Mercy. Our **next SANDWICH SUNDAY is August 17**.

The **MEMBERSHIP MINISTRY TEAM** is hosting a Meet and Greet on Sunday, June 27 at 10:45 am in the Conference Room for anyone who is interested in finding out more about OPPC and joining the church.

Our **PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** go to the Dresser family. Anne Dresser died on July 15. Calling hours will be Tuesday, July 22 at FE Brown Funeral Home from 4-7p.m.

Pastor Hughes will be away starting July 28 through August 24. For pastoral care, please contact Rev. Allyn Foster.

Christine will be out of the office tomorrow.

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.

Join Pastor at **FATTEY BEER CO.** on North Buffalo Street in the Village of OP every **FIRST & THIRD MONDAY at 7:00 p.m.** for a unique gathering where faith meets real-world questions in a relaxed atmosphere. Whether you're a lifelong believer, a curious seeker, or just in need of a good brew, this event is for you! Come as you are—no preaching, just engaging dialogue, friends and fellowship!

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.



