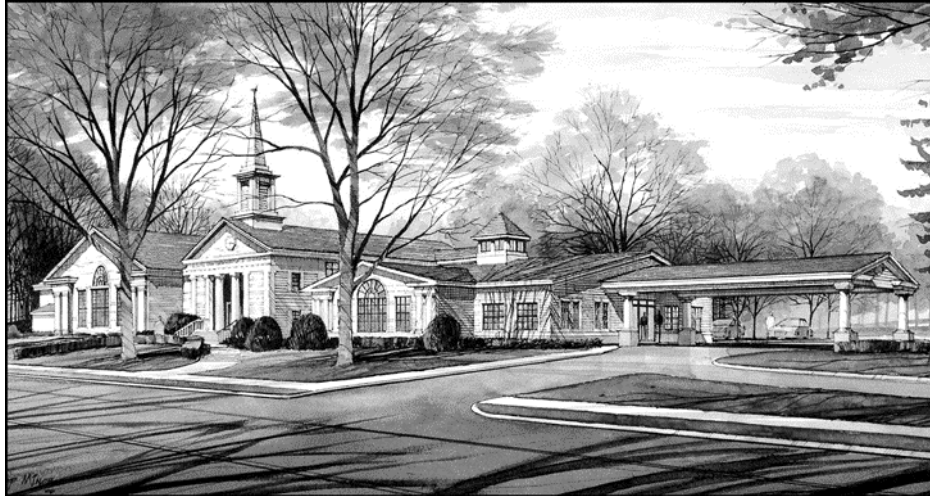




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***July 27, 2025***

**9:30 a.m. Worship Service**

*Live Streaming on Facebook plus On Demand on YouTube*

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## **Order of Service**

\*Please rise in body or spirit

**Prelude**

*Faith*

Brickman

**Chime Intonation**

**Greetings and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer us, for we are poor and needy.

**People: Be gracious to us, O God, for to you we cry all day long.**

Leader: In the day of our trouble, we call on you, for you will answer.

**ALL: Teach us your way, O Lord, that we may walk in your truth.**

**\*Opening Hymn #465**

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

**\*Invitation to Confession**

Leader: Jesus taught us to pray, not from a place of perfection, but of humility. Let us come honestly before God, trusting in mercy and grace.

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

**Eternal God, we confess that we have forgotten how to pray. We've used prayer as a way to get what we want, rather than a way to be shaped by your Spirit. We have neglected the gift of daily connection and turned inward instead of turning to you. Forgive us. Teach us again to ask, seek, and knock. Restore to us the joy of communion with you. In Christ's name we pray. 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**

**Special Music**

*If With All Your Hearts*

Mendelssohn

Joshua Fisher, voice and Amelia Wroblewski, Piano

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 11:1-13, N. T. pg. 72

**Sermon**

*The How and Why of Prayer*

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

*Behold, and See if There Be Any Sorrow*

Handel

#### Offertory

Joshua Fisher, voice and Amelia Wroblewski, piano

### \*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 #634

*To God Be the Glory*

### \*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

We believe in God, who invites us into communion through the gift of prayer—not as performance, but as presence. We believe in Jesus Christ, who taught his disciples to pray, not with empty words, but with bold trust—asking, seeking, knocking—believing that God is near and listening. We believe in the Holy Spirit, who intercedes with sighs too deep for words, awakens our desire to be in relationship with the Divine, and forms us into people of courage, compassion, and persistence. We believe that prayer is the breath of the Spirit within us, drawing us closer to the heart of God and aligning us with God's will for justice, mercy, and love. Amen.

### Postlude

*To God Be the Glory*

arr. Bekasova

**Thank you to Joshua Fisher for sharing his 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 Deacon of the Day, Kathy Houghton, who will be available after worship.

Our **LITURGIST** this morning is Ryan Kilpatrick. The **USHERS** this morning is the Quinn Family; T. J., Lisa, Nora and Tommy, with Wil Weiss as the **HEAD USHER**.

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: [www.oppchurch.org](http://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.**

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



Monetary gifts to  
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**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 Kirk and Gayle Barton in loving memory of Kirk's parents, George and Helen Barton.

Thank you to those who brought the 78 sandwiches last weekend. Those who arrive at the door of the Good Shepherd House at St. Luke's looking to be fed are grateful for your contribution. The next **SANDWICH SUNDAY will be AUGUST 15.**

The **MEMBERSHIP MINISTRY TEAM** is hosting a Meet and Greet **TODAY** after Worship at 10:45 a.m. in the Conference Room for anyone who is interested in finding out more about OPPC and joining the church.

**Pastor Hughes will be away starting July 28 through August 23.** For pastoral care, please contact Rev. Allyn Foster. Rev. Drew Ludwig will be here to preach next **Sunday, August 3.**

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.

The following is a listing of recent deaths in our congregation:

**ANNE DRESSER:** July 15. Graveside service took place July 23 at Forest Lawn Cemetery.

Condolences : [febrownsons.com](http://febrownsons.com)

**GLORIA MILLER:** June 22. Visitation at Brown Funeral Home, July 30, 4-7 p.m.

Celebration of Life Service July 31, 11 a.m. at OPPC

Condolences: [febrownsons.com](http://febrownsons.com)

**COLLEEN MITCHELL:** July 7.

Celebration of Life service August 2, 1:30 p.m. at OPPC

Condolences: Brian Grube, Son; 657 N. Valley Dr., Whitefish, MT 39937

Derrick Grube, Son; 14 Stone Leigh, Apt 2, Tonawanda, NY 14127

**ALMA SCULLY:** July 18, Scarborough, ME

Condolences: Patricia Linehan, daughter; PO Box 250, Buffalo, WY 82834