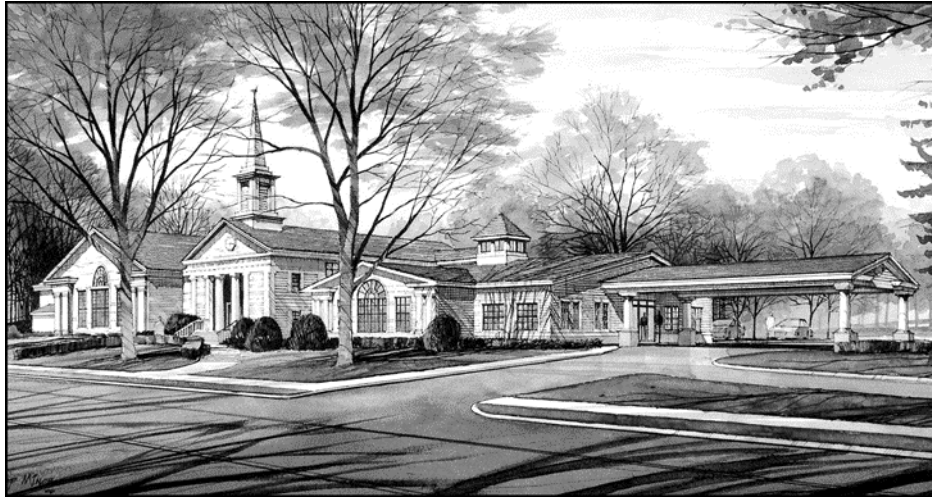




***A thriving faith community  
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***May 3, 2026***

**10:30 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** Variations on "*Hendon*" Malan/Sawyer

**Greetings**

**Choral Introit** *Open To Me The Gates* Thiman

**\*Call to Worship**

Beloved, let us love one another.

**We love because God first loved us.**

**\*Opening Hymn #321**

*The Church's One Foundation*

**\*Invitation to Confession**

We come before God not as despised sinners, but as beloved children. With the confidence of children of God, let us humbly confess our sin.

**\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

If we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. Therefore, consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God.**

**\*Passing the Peace of Christ**

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.

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

**Children's Time**

**Announcements**

**Scripture Readings**

Psalm 119:9-16, O. T. pg. 566

1 Peter 2:2-10, N. T. pg. 233

**Anthem**

*Canticle of Hope*  
Wilson Memorial Handbell Choir

Cynthia Dobrinski

**Meditation**

*Our True Identity*

Rev. Dr. Tom Yorty

## Dedication of Alma Coleman Scully Memorial Garden

Let us always sing praises to God  
**As we live out our faith day by day.**

### Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, you need no house to dwell in, for all the earth and heaven is your home, and we worship you in every place where your glory is made known. Like our ancestors who crossed the wilderness following your pillar of cloud and fire, we assemble here as pilgrims and travelers, confident that our true home is in you alone. In this welcoming and treasured garden which we dedicate today in loving memory of Alma Coleman Scully, where visitors and church members pass to enter the church, where we gather as a church family for receptions in summer time, and where our children start the Journey to the Bethlehem and the Creche on the west side of the church building at Christmas, may your presence be felt in the beauty and peace of nature. May all who come here seeking fellowship find welcome; may the hungry of heart be fed; and may every life be strengthened and know they are beloved children of God in this place. We pray all of these things in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

### \*Hymn #327

*From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

### The Offering Offertory

*He Never Failed Me Yet*  
Sanctuary Choir

Robert Ray

### \*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

### The Eucharist

#### \*Invitation to the Lord's Table

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

#### \*The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Holy God, we praise you. Let the heavens be joyful, and the earth be glad.

We bless you for creating the whole world, for your promises to your people Israel, and for Jesus Christ in whom your fullness dwells.

Born of Mary, he shares our life. Eating with sinners, he welcomes us. Guiding his children, he leads us. Visiting the sick, he heals us. Dying on the cross, he saves us. Risen from the dead, he gives new life. Living with you, he prays for us.

With thanksgiving we take this bread and this cup and proclaim the death and resurrection of our Lord. Receive our sacrifice of praise. Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that this meal may be a communion in the body and blood of our Lord.

Make us one with Christ and with all who share this feast. Unite us in faith, encourage us with hope, inspire us to love, that we may serve as your faithful people until we feast at your table in glory.

We praise you, eternal God, through Christ your Word made flesh in the holy and life giving Spirit, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**Sanctus**  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Memorial Acclamation**  
Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died,**  
**Christ is risen,**  
**Christ will come again.**

Blessed are you, O Spirit, giver of life. You give us words when we have none; you fill us with vision when we have the most need; you give us voice to proclaim our faith in every hour. Be our guide and teacher, today and always.

Come now, O Prince of Peace, Spirit of Love, Breath of Life. Bring to all this hurting world the joy that Mary knew, and teach us to proclaim with her, "I have seen the Lord!"  
**Amen.**

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

**Prayer Response** *Amen* Beethoven

**Words of Institution**

**Partaking of the Bread and Cup**  
**Communion Hymn** *Sheep May Safely Graze* J. S. Bach

**Prayer After Communion**

**\*Closing Hymn #645** *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Choral Benediction** *From the Rising of the Sun* Dietsch

**Postlude** *The Solid Rock* arr. Wolaver

**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 Beyer, who will be available after worship.

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.

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 beginning Sunday afternoons on the OPPC You Tube channel which can be accessed directly from YouTube 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. **WORSHIP BAGS** are available in the Reception Room at the CE table. The **NURSERY** will be staffed **AFTER** Children's Time for infants through 3 year olds. **PLAY & PRAY** for kids 4 years old through First Grade also begins **AFTER** Children's Time. Volunteers will lead the children out and to their classroom. If you have any questions about either of these two programs; please speak to the volunteer at the CE table in the Reception Room. If you are a visitor and would like to accompany your child to see the classroom and meet the teachers; you are very welcome to do so!

**The FLOWERS** on the Communion Table are given by the OPPC congregation in memory of Alma Scully.

We will be having a **reception on May 17** following the 10:30 a.m. service honoring Linda Babcock for her 31 years of faithful service to the children and members of OPPC. Please plan on joining us.

The **SERMON DISCUSSION GROUP/ADULT EDUCATION** will **NOT** meet again until May 17 at 9:15 a.m.

Mark your calendars for **PRAY RAKE EAT** on **May 31**. We will have one service at 9:30 a.m. that day. More information will follow.

If you have a **PRAYER REQUEST** you would like shared during the Prayers of the People in worship; please send an email to Pastor Tom at [pastor@oppchurch.org](mailto:pastor@oppchurch.org). The Prayer Board is a great option for those types of prayers that are not read aloud.

If you would like to get in touch with Pastor Tom, please feel free to reach him on his cell phone at 716-830-8596 or his email [pastor@oppchurch.org](mailto:pastor@oppchurch.org).

**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 available. Scan the QR Code with your cell phone and you will be directed to our Online Giving Site.





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**Wednesday, May 20th**  
**7:00 p.m.**

A Family-Friendly Feel-Good Night of

## **Show Tunes**

Performed by the

**OPPC Sanctuary Choir**

with Guests from Local Church Choirs

and Featuring the

**Wilson Memorial Handbell Choir**

As Well As Solos, Ensembles and a Singalong

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