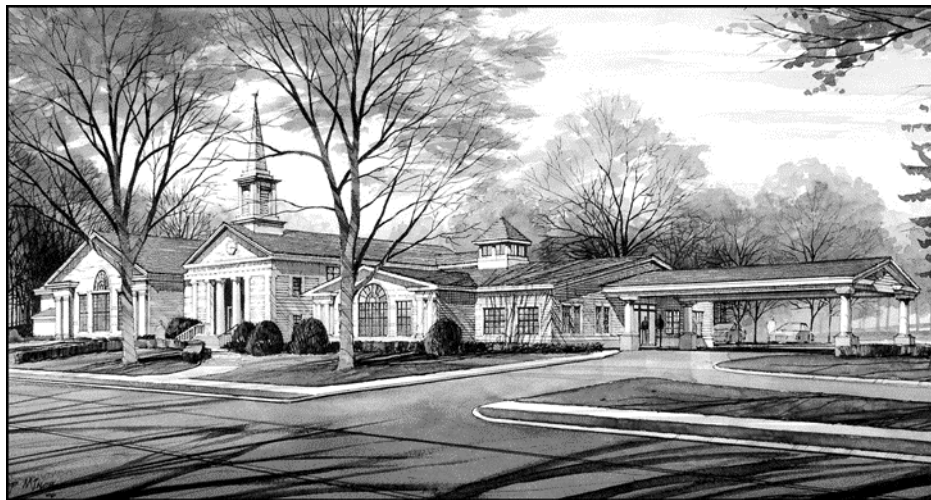




***A thriving faith community
engaged in compassionate service.***



October 26, 2025

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

Gathering Music *All Glory, Laud and Honor* Teschner, arr. Curry

Prelude *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Holden, arr. Seal

Chime Intonation

Greetings and Announcements

Introit *Open to Me the Gates* Thiman

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We gather to remember the God who spoke light into being and truth into reality.

People: God's truth endures from generation to generation.

Leader: We come as people set free — not by our striving, but by grace.

People: Christ has set us free, and we are free indeed.

Leader: The Spirit still breathes, still reforms, still renews the Church.

ALL: We come to be reformed again — in heart, mind, and in mission.

***Opening Hymn #610** *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

***Invitation to Confession**

Leader: Let us confess our sins before God and one another, trusting that the truth of Christ's mercy sets us free.

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

God of mercy and reforming grace, we confess that we have not continued in your word. We have trusted in false freedoms: the freedom to dominate, the freedom to ignore, the freedom to remain comfortable while others suffer. We have mistaken our privilege for your blessing and our traditions for your truth. Forgive us, O God. Set us free from the lies that enslave us. Free us to follow your Word made flesh — to love boldly, act justly, and walk humbly in your truth.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: The truth that sets us free is not a doctrine, but a person. In Christ, grace and truth meet, and mercy triumphs over judgment. Live as people who are forgiven and free!

People: Thanks be to God, Amen!

***Passing the 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

Anthem *Crown Him with Many Crowns* Elvey, arr. Wilson

Scripture Reading John 8:31-36; N. T. pg. 101

Sermon *Reformed and Still Reforming* Rev. Dr. Wylie Hughes

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: Listen now as we pray in the way Jesus taught us:

People: 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

A. B. Dietsch

The Offering

Offertory

We Shall Overcome

Spiritual, arr. W. F. Smith

*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.

*Closing Hymn #741

Guide My Feet

*Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

(Adapted from the Confession of 1967 and the Theological Declaration of Barmen)

We believe that the Church's faith and life are continually called to be reformed according to the Word of God and the call of the Spirit.

We believe that Jesus Christ is the one Word of God whom we must hear, and whom we must trust and obey in life and in death.

We believe that God's truth is known in Jesus Christ, who sets us free from the tyranny of sin and falsehood.

We believe that the Holy Spirit binds us into one body, sends us to proclaim good news to the poor, and calls us to resist every form of injustice and idolatry.

We believe that the Church's freedom is found not in power or privilege, but in service, humility, and love. Therefore, we are reformed and still reforming, trusting always in the grace of God, who makes all things new, Amen.

Choral Response

Sevenfold Amen

Lutkin

Postlude

Postlude on "Finlandia"

Franklin Ritter

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 Mike Cid.

The **GREETERS/USHERS** today are Amy and Doug Carpenter and Meredith and Jim Wilson with Paul Woodard as the **HEAD USHER**.

Please sign the **WELCOME PAD**, whether you are a member, visitor or a guest. If you have recently changed your address, or have any prayer requests, 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 YouTube 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.**

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 three years old. **PLAY & PRAY** for kids 4 years old through first grade also begins **AFTER Children's Time**. Volunteers will lead the children out to their respective classrooms and remain with the kids until after worship is over. Please pick up your child from the classroom so the teachers can also be a part of Coffee Hour.

The **FLOWERS** on the Communion Table are given by The Ridge and Helwig families to honor the loved ones in our lives.

Thank you to the eight volunteers who served the **245 meals at THE GENESIS CENTER** on Friday, October 17 including a Mom/Dad & 7th grader who are not from OPPC but heard about how we serve in our community and they want to return!

A round of applause for everyone who participated in **FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN** last Saturday. There were a total of 140 volunteers with our 31 OPPC folks making it quite an intergenerational event! We packed 110 boxes for a total of **23,760 meals** for kids around the globe. Thank you to the folks who made individual donations to our recommended group total, including the Mission Ministry Team and Presbyterian Women. Rounding out the feeding weekend was **SANDWICH SUNDAY** with Family, Faith & Food folks making 75 PB&J sandwiches and the congregation bringing 100 for a total of **175 sandwiches** to St. Luke's Mission of Mercy.

Our **SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS** go to Kathy Houghton and family on the death of her father, Gerald Wait, who died on September 23, 2025.

The deadline for submitting articles for the **GRAPEVINE** is **Tuesday, October 28 at 9:00 a.m.** Please submit your article to Xanda Weiss at Xanda@oppchurch.org.

The **Alzheimer's Association of WNY** is hosting a **FREE** Seminar at Orchard Heights Senior Living on **November 5** at 3:00 p.m.; The Empowered Caregiver Series Supporting Independence. Topics include: How Dementia affects communication; Using a person-centered communication approach; Tips for communicating with family, friends and health care professionals. To register call their free 24/7 Helpline 800-272-3900.

The Fall **PRAY, RAY, EAT** is **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9** when we will have **one service of worship at 9:30** (PRAY) followed by wintering the grounds outside (RAKE) and closing out with a simple lunch (EAT). Pray & Play and Nursery during worship plus kids activities while parents work outside. Sign up sheet is in The Welcome Center so we know how much food to get.

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.**



2025 Mission Workshop

Fall Bazaar

**Orchard Park
Presbyterian Church**
4369 South Buffalo Street at Clark

**Lots of Wonderful Gift
Items to Choose from!**

- Bills and Baby Items
- Blankets and Quilts
- Hats and Scarves
- Christmas Ornaments
- Greeting Cards and More!

Sale Proceeds to Benefit



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Friends of
Kenya
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**Saturday,
November
1st**

10:00 a.m.
to
2:00 p.m.

**Sunday,
November
2nd**

9:00 a.m.
to
12:00 p.m.

Free
Events

Join the NRCYA for a

Tour of Faiths & Cultures

**November 22 - Guru Nanak
Sikh Gurdwara**

Time TBD: Open House
636 19th St, Niagara Falls, NY

Watch the Network of Religious
Communities Facebook Page or scan the
QR code for information

Donations of nonperishable foods to the NRC
Food Pantry are appreciated.

These events are open to the public.
Please dress modestly.

Click [here](#) or scan the
QR code for more
details and to register.



Network of Religious Communities Youth
Alliance of World Religions & Cultures

Kids
Activities



THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY SING ALONG

November 14, 7 pm

Featuring Oldtime Bluegrass and Gospel tunes by

SUNNYSIDE STRING BAND

WITH SPECIAL GUEST HEATHER PENNINGTON

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