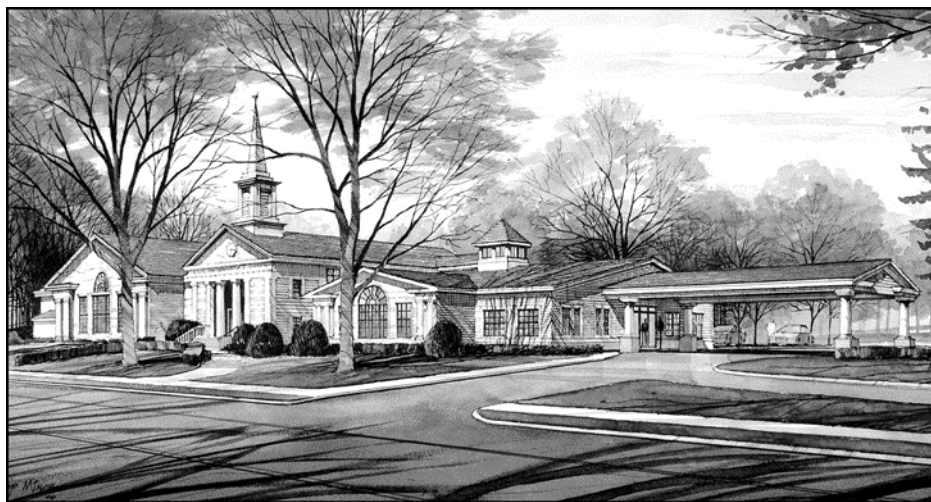




***A thriving faith community
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October 4, 2026

World Communion Sunday

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

Anthems of Love

D. Forrest

Greetings

Minute for Mission

Introit

Come, Share the Lord
Sanctuary Choir

Bryan Leech

***Call to Worship**

What does the Holy One require of us?

To do justice, to love kindness and to walk humbly with God.

Let us worship God.

***Opening Hymn #366**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

***Invitation to Confession**

Leader: Let us take a moment to calm our hearts and minds, as we prepare to confess to God.

***Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

On this World Communion Sunday, let us reflect upon our society and our worldview. Loving God, through Jesus Christ you taught us, "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Yet we continue to put our faith in earthly treasures, hoarding up possessions that moth and rust will destroy, clinging to power and privilege whenever we can. Set us free from greed and fear. Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Teach us to trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ, our true redeemer.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: Thanks be to God!

***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

Announcements

Prayer of Illumination

Faithful God, how blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Sanctify us by your Word and Spirit so that we may glorify you in the company of the faithful; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Scripture Reading

Psalm 139:1-14; O. T. pg. 577

Anthem

Speak, O Lord
Sanctuary Choir

Getty & Towend

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-32; N. T. pg. 90

Sermon

Their Eyes Were Opened

Rev. Geri Lyon, D.D.

The Offering

Offertory

Idyll of Praise

C. Courtney

***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.*

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

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

***Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: Therefore, we give thanks to you, joining in the chorus of praise that transcends time – connecting us to generations past, present, and future:

People: 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. (Hymn #552)

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

Communion Hymn

The Lord Is My Shepherd

J. Rutter

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

L.V. Beethoven

Sanctuary Choir

***Closing Hymn #318**

In Christ There Is No East or West

Choral Benediction

Sevenfold Amen
Sanctuary Choir

P. Lutkin

Postlude

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton/Curry

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, Paul Woodard, who will be available after worship.

The **LITURGIST** today is Amy Kilpatrick.

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 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.**

WE WELCOME KIDS IN WORSHIP as together we are the whole people of God! Following Children's Time, children in first through seventh grade are invited to Church School. Our Pray & Play Nursery is available for infants through Kindergarten following Children's Time until 11:30 a.m. Worship Bags are always available at the CE table in the Reception Room for children who remain in worship.

The **FLOWERS** on the Communion Table are given by Barbara Badame and family in loving memory of Phil.

This morning we **WELCOME** Rev. Geri Lyon, D.D., who is a retired Pastor in the PWNy. Since retiring, Geri loves spending time with her grandchildren and writing children's books. Geri is delighted to be at OPPC this morning!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S FALL PROGRAM will be on **Saturday, October 17th at 1:00 pm** in the Reception Room. Marla Bujnicki, a certified Buffalo tour guide, will present "**Buffalo-Crime, Romance and Intrigue**". As we enjoy delicious pie, she will talk of the little known tales of Buffalo's scintillating history from the 1880s to the roaring 1920s. Reservations can be made at the table near the church office or by calling Sue Sager at 716-662-9413. We hope to see you there!

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN is on **Saturday, October 24** from 9am to 11am. Join **OPPC** as we partner with Feed My Starving Children to pack meals for children and families in need. Please contact Ryan Kilpatrick to sign up.

The **CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed on **MONDAY, OCTOBER 12** in observance of Indigenous Peoples Day.

Join us next Sunday, **OCTOBER 11** for our **Service of Remembrance at 10:30 a.m.**, where we remember our loved ones who were lost to us during the past year.

Empty Egg Cartons Needed - We have a generous donor who purchases large numbers of eggs and donates about 10 dozen on a regular basis. She buys in bulk and puts them into cartons of 1 dozen. She has requested that we collect empty egg cartons that she can use to bring them to us for the Blessing Box. Please bring in your **empty egg cartons** and place them in one of the Blessing Box Donation containers located at the Welcome Center and the Memorial Garden entrance vestibule. Thank you for your assistance.

We have **open dates available** on the **2026** 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 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.



*Do You Know
What's at the **Heart**
of Every Successful
Church?*

CHURCH

**There's a Ministry Team at OPPC
That Could Really Use Someone
Just Like **You!****

Ministry Team Fair
Sunday, November 8th
After the 8:30 & 10:30 Services

2026 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!

**Saturday,
November
14th**
10:00 a.m.
to
2:00 p.m.
and
**Sunday,
November
15th**
9:00 a.m.
to
12:00 p.m.

Sale Proceeds to Benefit  and  Friends of Kenya Rising

SCARY GOOD NEWS!
This Year, OPPC Will Be Part of
the Village of Orchard Park's

HALLOWEEN IN THE PARK

FEATURING OUR HAUNTED HOUSE GHOST TOSS GAME & OUR MONSTERMATIC PHOTO BOOTH
PLUS FOOD TRUCKS • CRAFTS • COSTUME CONTEST • FACE PAINTING • BALLOON ANIMALS • HAYRIDES
HAUNTED HOUSE • TRICK-OR-TREATING (FROM 2-4 PM) • TAROT CARD READINGS & MORE!

**Saturday
10/17 • 2-5 pm**

Princeton Place, Jolls House, Green Lake &
OP Train Depot/Library. See Sunday Bulletins
& Church Emails for OPPC Booth Location.

Event
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