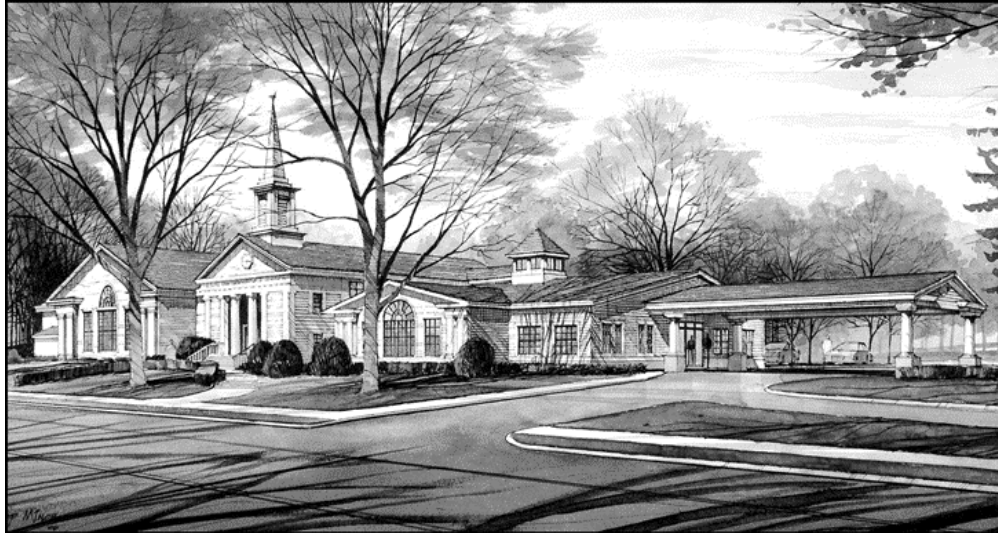




***A thriving faith community
engaged in compassionate service.***



September 13, 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

This Is My Word

P. Choplin

Greetings

***Call to Worship**

We are surrounded . . .

By full-time professionals, part-time workers, students, parents, and newlyweds.

We are surrounded . . .

By those in need and those who thrive.

We are surrounded . . .

By long-time members and new-found friends.

We are surrounded . . .

By a great cloud of witnesses, diverse and yet united.

Sisters and brothers in Christ, come, let us worship God!

***Opening Hymn #649**

Amazing Grace

***Prayer of Confession**

Let us pray:

Holy God, like children long indulged, we are quick to presume your pardon, your sanction of the way we live.

We turn away from neighbors in need, sharing fragments that remain only after our cravings have been met.

Merciful Maker, you created us for better use; remake us now. Where we are distorted, re-center and reshape us, bring us low and raise us up. Then fire our hearts until we shine with your glory and find our place in your purpose.

(A moment for silent confession)

***Assurance of Pardon**

Sisters and brothers, in the name of the Christ I declare that your story is known, your sin is forgiven, your life is made new. Let us live as those reborn.

Thanks be to God!

***Peace of Christ**

We come from east and west, north and south. We are united by grace, sustained by faith, and created for peace. May the peace of Jesus 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 Reading

Isaiah 40:28-31, O. T. pg. 668

Anthem

One Song
Sanctuary Choir

Pepper Chopin

Scripture Reading

Acts 1:1-8, N. T. pg. 118

Sermon

Take a Breath

Rev. Dr. Ken 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.

Prayer Response

Hear Our Prayer
Sanctuary Choir

Whelpton

The Offering
Offertory

Wade in the Water
Sanctuary Choir

arr. R. Emerson

***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**

Ordination and Installment of Officers (see insert)
Questions for the nominated Deacons

Rev. Dr. Ken Hughes and
Elder Douglas Carpenter

Questions for the Congregation

Laying on of Hands

Ordination/Installation of Officers – September 13, 2026

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Deacons

Class of 2027

Gayle Barton
Griff Esslinger
Kathy Houghton

Class of 2028

Tanis Berry
Mary McKinley
Christie Putnam

Mike Malachowski
Gerry Scofield
Sandy Trampert

Delcey Pulvino
Don Schmid
Nancy Wilson

Elders

Class of 2026

Doug Carpenter
Lynn Morgan
T. J. Quinn
Mike Rodems
Jim Wilson

Class of 2027

Mike Cid
Mario Eugene
Scott McBride
Wil Weiss

Class of 2028

Dolores Battle
Nancy Lesakowski
Robert Mustard
David Saintz
Paul Woodard

Service of Ordination and Installation

The Church is the body of Christ, and is to be a community of faith,
entrusting itself to God alone, even at the risk of losing its life.

The Church is to be a community of hope,
rejoicing in the sure and certain knowledge that, in Christ, God is making a new creation.

The Church is to be a community of love,
where sin is forgiven, reconciliation is accomplished, and the dividing walls of hostility are torn down.

The Church is to be a community of witness,
pointing beyond itself through word and work to the good news of God's transforming grace in Christ Jesus its Lord.

Constitutional Questions to the Congregation

Do we, the members of the church, accept Delcey Pulvino, Gerry Scofield, and Nancy Wilson as Deacons, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

We do.

Do we agree to encourage and support them, serving Jesus Christ who alone is Head of the Church?

We do.

***Closing Hymn #819**

Be Still, My Soul

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

From The Rising of the Sun
Sanctuary Choir

B. Dietsch

Postlude

Shout Allelujah

O'Kelly, Rudolph, & R. Isley

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, Don Schmid, who will be available after worship.

Our **LITURGIST** this morning is Wil Weiss.

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. **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 which will be good practice as our regular CE programming will start next Sunday. 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.

Our **PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** go to the Banas and Trampert families on the death of Phyllis Banas.

Our **PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** go to Tanis Berry on the death of her sister, Michele.

Christine will be on **VACATION** this week. The church office hours will be Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings 9:00am to 11:30am and Monday through Friday afternoons 12:00pm to 2:30pm.

Next **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18**, OPPC will be serving the meal at The Genesis Center from 3:45pm to 6pm. Please contact Dolores Battle at battlede03@gmail.com if you can help.

Next **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 is SANDWICH SUNDAY**. Please bring your individually wrapped sandwiches to worship with you and drop them at the table by The Welcome Center and they will be delivered to St. Luke's after worship.

Thank you to everyone who brought in the much needed pantry items for the **Blessing Box these past weeks!** There is so great a need these days that any little bit helps!

Thank you for taking the **BLESSING BOX FOOD DRIVE** bag today. Please return the bag by September 27 and feel free to leave it at The Welcome Center.

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.



Our Congregation's



Is in Our Hands.

If You Think You'd Be Interested
in Helping to *Shape* That Future,
Now Is the Time to Raise YOURS.

A Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) is now being formed to seek out and consider candidates to serve as our Congregation's next installed spiritual leader. OPPC's Nominating Committee invites any enrolled Church member faithfully willing to volunteer their time and talents for this critically-important search to contact **Christine Cotton (716-662-9348 x301 or christine@oppchurch.org)** to express their interest. And should you have questions, please feel free to call.