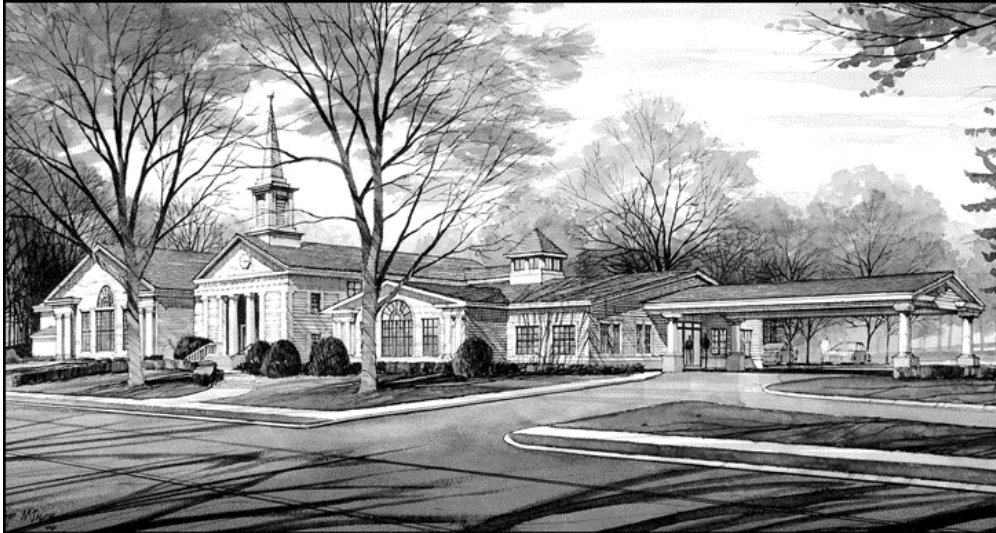




***A thriving faith community
engaged in compassionate service.***



September 20, 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

Blessed Is the One

C. Courtney

Greetings

Minute for Mission

Choral Introit

Open to Me the Gates

Thiman

***Call to Worship** (Inspired by Psalm 145:1-8)

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.

God's greatness is unsearchable.

From generation to generation, we sing of your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

***Opening Hymn #664**

Morning Has Broken

***Call to Confession**

God loves us and calls us by name. Too frequently, we stake our claim on that tenderness and use it as a weapon against others, forgetting that God's love does not build walls but knocks them down. Let us set down our burdens and our defenses as we confess our sins in front of God and one another.

***Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, when we follow the path of Jonah and allow our anger and frustration to cut us off from others, you sit next to us and call us back to your way of mercy, love and redemption. It is one thing to accept these gifts for ourselves; it is another to extend them to those who frustrate us. Forgive us for our anger, resentment, and desire to hoard. We lay these impulses at your feet and ask that you create a new heart within us, one modeled after your steadfast love and generosity. Help us to see the world in new ways. Amen.

(A moment for silent confession)

***Assurance of Pardon**

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.

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

Prayer for Illumination

Let the wisdom of your Word Exod. 16:4 rain down on us like manna and feed us, that we may be strengthened to do the work to which we are called, for the glory and honor of your name.
Amen.

Scripture Reading

Jonah 3:10-4:11, O.T. pg 861

Anthem

Soon and Very Soon
Sanctuary Choir

Crouch/Schrader

Scripture Reading

Matthew 20:1-16, N.T. pg 21

Sermon

Are You Envious because I am Generous?

Pastor Lisa Elkington

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

How Beautiful

T. Paris/L. Larson

*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 #81

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

From The Rising of the Sun
Sanctuary Choir

B. Dietsch

Postlude

To God Be the Glory

Doane/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 Deacon of the Day, Tanis Berry, who will be available after worship.

Our **LITURGIST** this morning is Glenn Begert.

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 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! 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.

Our **PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** go to the Banas and Trampert families on the death of Phyllis Banas. Calling hours will be held Tuesday, September 22, from 4:00–7:00 p.m. at Brown Funeral Home. A service will be held at OPPC on Wednesday, September 23, at 10:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, the Banas/Trampert families welcome memorial donations to Roswell Cancer Center, the Friends of the Orchard Park Library, or OPPC's Mission Fund.

GRAPEVINE DEADLINE is Wednesday, September 23 at 9:00 a.m. If you have an article for The Grapevine, please send it to Xanda Weiss at Xanda@oppchurch.org.

Today is **SANDWICH SUNDAY**. Thank you for bringing your individually wrapped sandwiches to worship with you and dropping them at the table by The Welcome Center. They will be delivered to St. Luke's after worship. 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.

OPPC is supporting **Churches In Action** with the "**Undies Sundays**" clothing drive, every Sunday in September. Undies Sunday is a way for us to participate in the ministry of care for our neighbor. Your donation of **NEW** socks and underwear, of any type and size, is welcome. Please bring in your donations and place them in the **Undies Sundays Bin** in the Reception Room. Church members, Meredith and Jim Wilson will deliver the items on September 27 to the **Churches in Action** location. Thank you for your participation.

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.