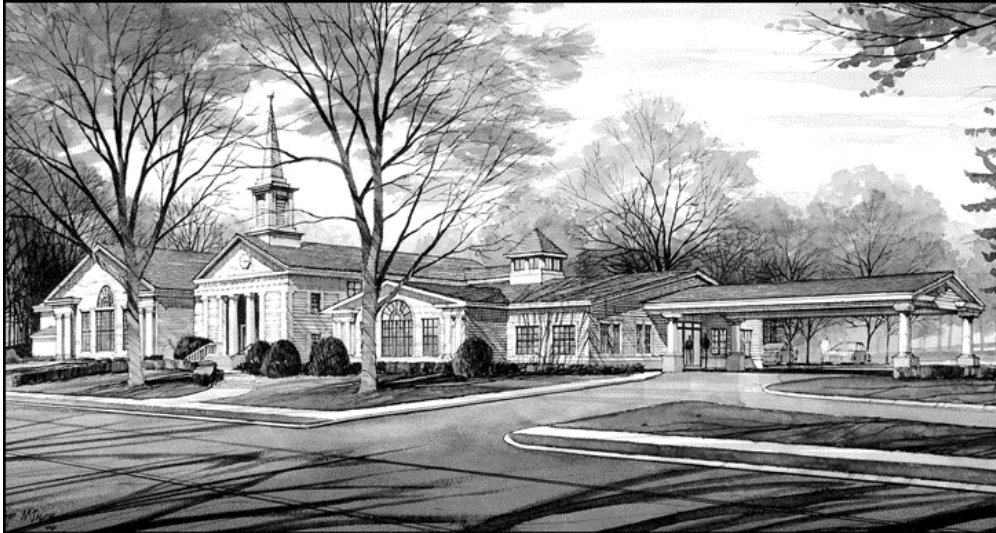




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September 27, 2026

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

I Life Up Mine Eyes

Allen Pote

Greetings

Choral Introit

Sing Praise To God

Steurlein & Stuempfle

***Call to Worship**

Let us worship God together.

It is right to praise our faithful God. Amen.

***Opening Hymn #39**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

***Call to Confession**

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

***Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, we often want to say “Yes” to your call. But we are distracted by the noise of the world and our own desires. Help us to hear your call and give us the strength to answer. 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**

The peace of the Lord 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

Lord, bless the reading of your holy Word. May it touch our hearts and souls.

Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 18:1-4; 25-36; O. T. pg. 784

Anthem

Soon Ah Will Be Done
Sanctuary Choir

Dawson

Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:23-32, N.T. pg. 23

Sermon

It's A New Day

Rev. Geri Lyon, D.D.

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

Amen

B. Dietsch

Sanctuary Choir

The Offering

Offertory

Ave Maria

Caccini

***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 #450**

Be Thou My Vision

***Benediction**

***Choral Benediction**

Seven Fold Amen
Sanctuary Choir

Lutkin

Postlude

O Bless the Lord, My Soul

S. Schwartz

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, Griff Esslinger, who will be available after worship.

Our **LITURGIST** this morning is Paul Woodard. **USHERS TODAY** are Mario & Dave Eugene, Kathy Houghton and Wil Weiss.

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.

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!

The **FLOWERS** on the communion table are given with this thought "Be the change you want to see in the world" by Gandhi.

Our **PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY** go to the Day Family on the death of Denise Hoffman-Day.

Thank you to everyone who brought sandwiches for St. Luke's last week. Thanks to Deb Galloway and Barbara Olandt from the Mission Ministry Team for staffing the table and delivering **86** sandwiches. **The next SANDWICH SUNDAY is OCTOBER 18.**

Thank you for taking a **BLESSING BOX FOOD DRIVE** bag. If you forgot to bring your bag with you today, feel free to leave it in the vestibule of Door B. Thank you for your contribution to our Blessing Box Feeding Ministry while we help to feed our hungry neighbors.

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.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN 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.

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.



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.

Faith Formation for All Ages!

Check out our new Church School Times!

9:15am

Adult Ed: Sermon Discussion in The Meeting Place

10:30am (after Children's Time)

Pray & Play Nursery for Infants - Kindergarten
Church School for First Grade - Seventh Grade

High School Eighth Grade & Up

Meets Thursday nights +
Service Opportunities

