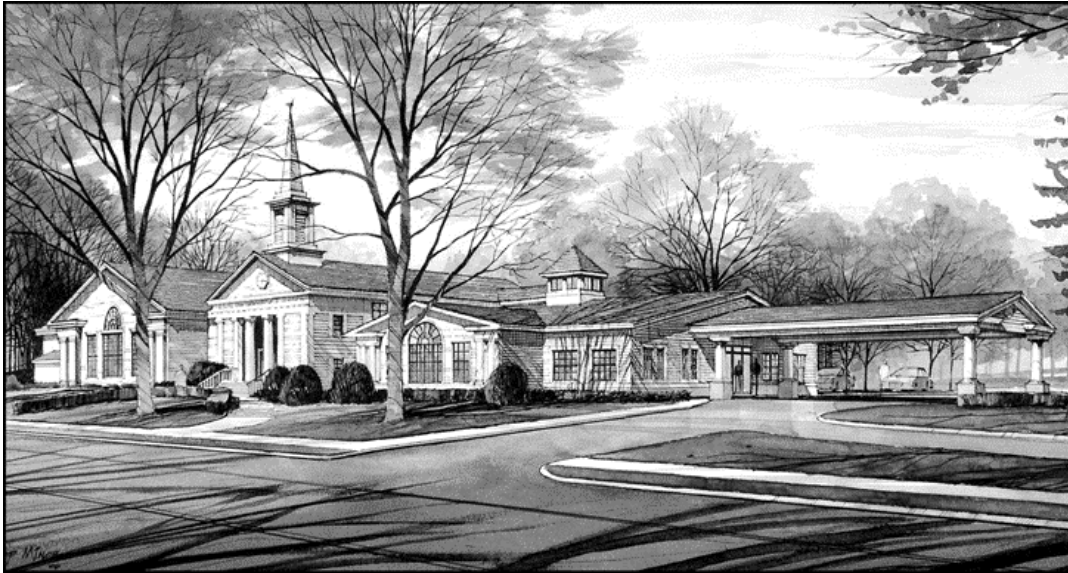




***A thriving faith community
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September 6, 2026

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

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Order of Service

*Please rise in body or spirit

Prelude

Worthy To Be Praised

Byron J. Smith

Greetings

***Call to Worship**

Listen! The Lord calls out to us, offering life!

Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God.

Walk in the paths of God's commandments with delight.

Teach, lead, turn us to your ways, O God. With our whole heart, we will turn to you and live!

***Opening Hymn #394**

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

***Invitation to Confession**

Our sins weigh us down,

and we struggle to live in freedom and joy.

When we turn and return to the God who loves us, God finds pleasure.

We turn now, confessing our sins against God and neighbor.

***Prayer of Confession**

From evil, even when it masquerades as good,

Merciful God, deliver us.

From selfishness and vain desires,

Merciful God, deliver us.

From irresponsible behaviors, quarreling, and jealousy,

Merciful God, deliver us.

From hurtful disagreements and irreconcilable differences,

Merciful God, deliver us. Turn us away from the death sin inflicts. Lead us into the abundant life Christ brings. Forgive us, we pray, and teach us to forgive, Through Jesus Christ. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Laying aside the works of darkness, we live in the light of Christ.

Gathered in Christ's name, surely he is among us, full of grace and truth.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and lifted up to new life. Thanks be to God.

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

Be kind to one another, and tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. The Peace of 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

Awaken our hearts and minds to your Word, O God. Give us understanding so that,

by the power of your Holy Spirit, we are able to do all that you command for love's sake.

Gathered in Christ's name, gathered around the Word, we pray.

Amen.

Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 33:7-11, O. T. pg. 802

Special Music

10,000 Reasons/What a Beautiful Name Fielding, Ligertwood, Myrin,
Susana Breese and Heather Dietsch Redman

Scripture Reading

Matthew 18:15-20, N. T. pg. 20

Sermon

Where Two or Three are Gathered in My Name Rev. Dorothy Burton Pearman

The Offering

Paul's counsel to the church in Rome was this:

"Owe no one anything, except to love one another." So come, let us love one another and all in God's world by sharing what we have been given so that needs are met and the gospel is proclaimed.

Offertory

I Can Do All Things through Christ
Susana Breese

Wayne Burton

***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**

God of our salvation, we know what time it is—time to wake from sleep and to turn from selfishness. We offer now our time, our talents, and our resources to be used for your good purposes and all for love's sake. Through Jesus the Christ we pray.

Amen.

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

***Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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

Hymn #552 – Holy, Holy, Holy

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...

Words of the Institution

Remembering the grace of your son Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this wine, and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising as we await the day of his coming, proclaiming the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

Behold The Lamb
Susana Breese

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Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Leader: And now, as your beloved children, we are told to pray together,

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.

Congregational Meeting

***Closing Hymn #749**

We Are Called

***Benediction**

Postlude

O Sifuni Mungu (All Creatures of Our God and King) D. Maddux, M. McCall,
M.M. Mulongoy & A.Y. Mukalay, arr. R. Emerson

Thank you to Susana Breese for sharing her gift of voice with us today!

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, Gayle Barton, who will be available after worship.

The **LITURGIST** today is Mario Eugene with Doug and Amy Carpenter and Al and Sue Sager as **GREETERS and USHERS and COMMUNION SERVERS**.

The **FLOWERS** on the communion table are given by the Saintz Family.

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.

WE WELCOME KIDS IN WORSHIP as together we are the whole people of God and today all the children are staying in worship as our regular CE programming will not start until September 20. 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.

THREE WAYS TO WORSHIP! In Person, live streamed at 9:30 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 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.

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.

Today we welcome Rev. Dorothy Burton Pearman, who is a retired pastor after serving her longest pastorate at Maryvale Drive Presbyterian Church for 18 years. She is on the Committee on Ministry and chairs the Nominating Committee of the Presbytery.

TODAY, immediately following worship, there will be a **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** to approve the filling of two vacancies on the Board of Deacons and one vacancy on the Nominating Committee.

The Church office will be **CLOSED TOMORROW** in observance of Labor Day.

Next **SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13** will be the **Ordination and Installation** of officers for this year.

Christine will be on **vacation** the **week of September 14**. The church office hours that week will be Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings 9:00am to 11:30am and Monday through Friday afternoons 12:00pm to 2:30pm.

OPPC will again be 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.



Faith Formation for All Ages

Check out our new Church School Times!

9:15am

Sermon Discussion in The Meeting Place

10:30am (after Children's Time)

Pray & Play for 4-year-olds – First Grade
Church School for Second Grade – Middle School

High School

Stay tuned for details
about our new
weeknight gathering!

*The Nursery will be open for parent-supervised play,
with the service livestreamed.

ALL ARE WELCOME Welcome Back Sunday

September 13, 8:30am & 10:30am
Welcome Back Breakfast @ 9:30am

- **RSVP with Christine for breakfast by 9/9** so we have plenty of food for everyone!
- **Pick up a bag on 9/13** for the Welcome Back Food Drive!

See you September 13!

Blessing
Box



Items of the Week

Help us stock the Blessing Box! Leading up to our September Food Drive, we're highlighting a few much-needed items each week.

September 6 Canned tuna & chicken

**Love Your Neighbor.
Live Your Faith.**