

## Prayer List

We protect the confidential nature of our prayer requests.

The complete list of requested prayers is provided during worship rather than on this "online" bulletin.

You may contact **Pastor Lance Wiesmann** or the church office concerning any needs for prayer. You may also email prayer requests.

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## Sermon Notes

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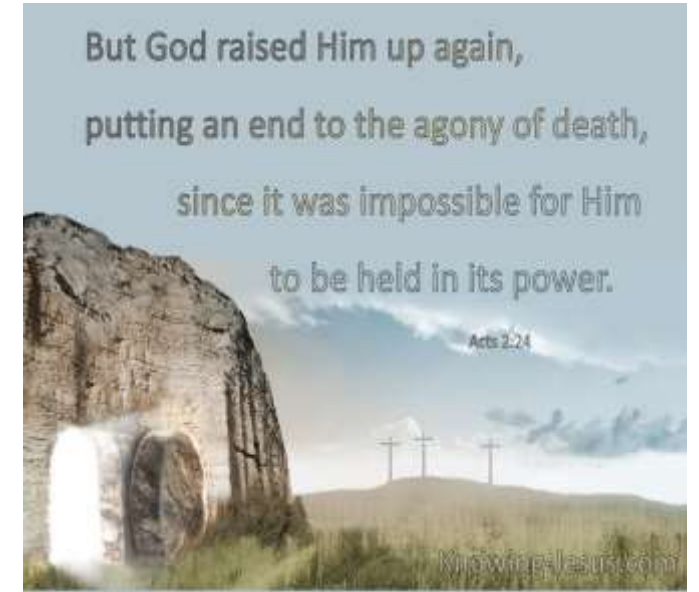
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## Welcome to OPC!

\*The Congregation stands if able in body or spirit.  
Easter Memory Flowers are provided by members  
of the congregation.

### GATHERING

Welcome

One: This is the day that the Lord has made.

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Announcements

Call to Worship

One: We believe in God, who made us in His  
image.

All: We live, we love, we laugh, because we are like  
Him.

One: We believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God,  
our Lord and Savior.

All: He had the last laugh on the devil when He  
rose from the dead.

One: We believe in the Holy Spirit, coequal and  
coeternal with the Father and the Son.

All: Our counselor, our guide, our motivator – He  
is our joy!

\*Hymn *Christ Is Alive!* #246

\*Call to Confession

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

All: You know better than we do, Amused God,  
what important people we believe we are. Believing  
we have to be serious all the time, we miss out on the  
joy of your creation. Choosing to feast on the pain of  
the world, we skip the picnic offered in paradise.  
Clinging to the despair which is our best friend, we  
ignore Jesus. Who can bring us home to your heart.  
Forgive us, Heart of Joy, and make us open to the  
startling, and upside-down, ways in which you work.  
Fill us with Easter's laughter; fill us with your healing  
joy; fill us with the love poured into us through Jesus  
Christ, our Lord and Savior.

*Silent Prayer*

One: Amen

\*Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri #581

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture reading Acts 2:14a, 22-32

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

### THE WORD

Time with the Kids

Prayer for Illumination

2<sup>nd</sup> Scripture reading John 20:19-31

One: The Word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Unstoppable!"

Pastor Lance Wiesmann

### RESPONSE

\*Hymn *Be Not Afraid (2x)* #243

Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer pg. 35

Call to Offering

\*The Doxology *We Give Thee but Thine Own* #708

\*Prayer of Dedication

### SENDING

\*Hymn *In the Bulb There Is a Flower* #250

\*Charge & Benediction

\*The Peace

One: The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with  
you.

All: And also with you.

One: Please share the peace with one another.

## Announcements

Session will meet today after worship.

Special Offering: Members Carolyn and Jim Dunnett's daughter and husband were victims of the recent rash of tornadoes. They (Amy and Scott Kohler) experienced extensive damage to farm buildings and an animal grooming shop. Fortunately, they are insured, but are sure to incur future out-of-pocket expenses. At the suggestion of some church members, Session has approved a special offering for them. The money collected will go towards meals. This could be a meal service, groceries, or restaurant gift cards. This special offering will occur today and next Sunday, April 23th. Checks to be written to Ottawa Presbyterian Church. Designate on memo line to the Kohlers. May also be mailed or delivered to the church. Any questions, see any member of Session.

### Know Someone Who Needs a Bit of Cheer?

OPC does wonderful outreach through the various programs we continue to support. But we also know that members and friends within our own church sometimes face difficult times and challenges.

When those times come, we want each of them to feel that same level of support and care from our OPC church family. As has been the case for many years, OPC hopes to be an instrument of God's love. It is my honor and privilege to coordinate this concerted effort at member nurture and outreach. If you know of someone who has been ill, is facing a difficult time, or maybe just would benefit from a friendly call or card, please e-mail me ([gholzhausergrab@woh.rr.com](mailto:gholzhausergrab@woh.rr.com)) or call me (419) 423-9635. I will respond as appropriate on the congregation's behalf as quickly as I can. We care deeply for and about one another! That beautiful little poem says it best,

*"Others, Lord, yes others;  
Let this my prayer be:  
Help me to care for others  
That I may always care for Thee*

Easter Flowers are provided by the following members in memory of the following people.



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Gillian Holzhauser-Graber Rev. Dr. Emil & Charlotte Holzhauser

Dr. Virgil Graber

Nathan Paisie

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Parents/Grandparents

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