

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 the church office concerning any needs for prayer. You may also email prayer requests.

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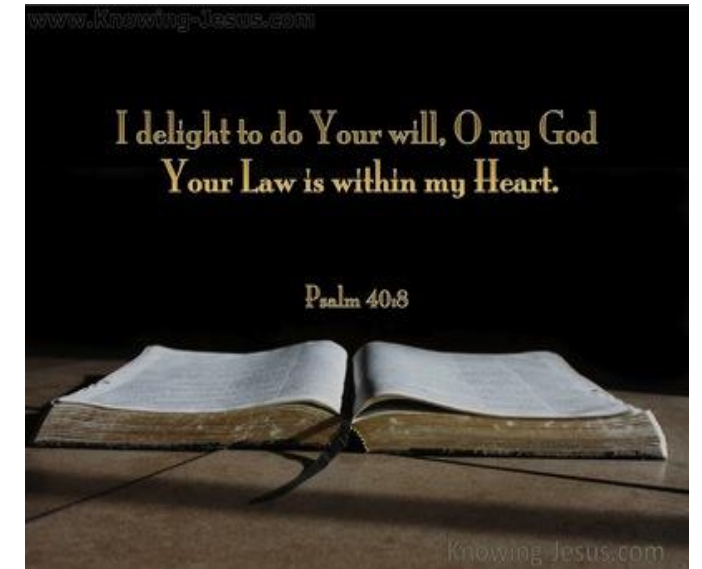
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Ottawa Presbyterian Church
January 21, 2024

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Welcome to OPC!

*The Congregation stands if able in body or spirit.

We welcome Rev. Tom Steensma this morning!

GATHERING

Welcome

One: Welcome in the name of our Creator God, who has redeemed us in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Welcome to this service of worship. May we find comfort for our souls and guidance for our lives.

Call to Worship

One: The holy Spirit has given life and ours on us the power to become new.

All: The Spirit has given us breath and kindles the fires of love among us.

One: Come here and be ready for the surprises that God's Spirit brings.

All: We are open now to God's presence and his holy surprises.

Announcements

*Hymn *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above* #41

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

All: Loving God, we admit that too often we see our lives as a burden to be borne rather than as joy to be celebrated. Forgive us for getting bogged down in all our problems and heartaches. Help us to realize the joyous miracle of your love, even in the midst of discouragement and despair. For the times someone was not beautiful and we looked away, Lord, have mercy. For the times truth was on our tongues and we swallowed it instead of speaking, Christ have mercy. For the times we have not loved

enough and the times we have not loved at all, Lord, have mercy. In the name of Jesus we pray, Amen.

Silent Prayer

*Assurance of Pardon

One: Even in our brokenness and failure, God show us signs of wholeness and resurrection.

All: God changes despair into hope.

One: God breaks down walls that divide.

All: God heals the wounds of the spirit.

One: God creates the power to live in new ways and the joy to live fully, even unto eternal life.

*Gloria Patri

#581

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

1st Scripture Reading Psalm 40:1-12, 16-17

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

2nd Scripture Reading Job 40:1-14, 42:1-6

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Better than Answers" Rev. Tom Steensma

RESPONSE

*Hymn

Seek Ye First

#175

Joys & Concerns

Morning Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Call to Offering

*The Offering

*The Doxology

#606

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*Hymn *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* #353

*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

There will be a fellowship/OPW "Ottawa Presbyterian Workers" meeting immediately following church today. We will discuss upcoming fellowship ideas and the meal following the congregational meeting in February.

We have a bowling outing planned today, Sunday Jan. 21 at 4:00 at Highland lanes in Ottawa. Shoes are free and it's \$4.00/game. Sign up on bulletin board or let Nancy Kaufman know.

Signup sheets are on the bulletin board for anyone willing to volunteer to be a liturgist, help with coffee, or provide flowers on Sundays for the 2024 year. Liturgists are needed for January 28 and February.

The church directory will be updated soon. Please get any changes, (email, phone, address, baby, etc.) to the church office ASAP. Thanks!

A congregational meeting will be held on February 4, for the purpose of reviewing the annual report, and a congregational conversation will take place also.