

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, or you may also email prayer requests to prayercircle@ottawapresby.org or amyremaklus@yahoo.com.

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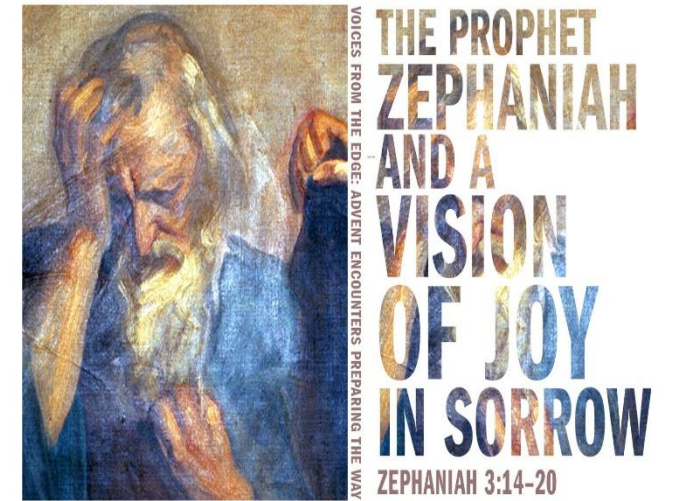
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The Prophet Zephaniah and a vision of joy in sorrow | The Prophet Zephaniah | Zephaniah 3:14-20

Ottawa Presbyterian Church

3rd Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2024

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Welcome to OPC!

Poinsettias are provided by the congregation.

*The Congregation stands if able in body or spirit.

GATHERING

Welcome

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

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Announcements

Lighting the Advent Candles Children

All: Dear Lord, we light these candles on this third Sunday in Advent to remind ourselves that we must breathe as we prepare for the coming of the Christ child, that we must tell the story of your love and relationship with all of humankind, and that we must work with love in all that we do. Amen.

*Hymn *On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry* #96

*Invitation to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

All: Great God, as we prepare to behold the birth of Jesus again, we are mindful of how we have failed to receive the fullness of that gift. The story points us to your glory, yet we struggle to join in the song of praise and thanksgiving. We are distracted and confused, so focused on things of little significance we overlook the good news of great joy that you have prepared. Forgive us, we pray.

*Silent Prayer: Amen

*Assurance of Pardon

*Glory to God #582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

1st Scripture Reading Zephaniah 3:9-20 (NIV)

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem *Comfort and Joy*

Time with Kids Rev. Amy

2nd Scripture Reading Luke 3:7-18 (NIV)

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Work" Rev. Amy

RESPONSE

*Hymn *Come Now, O Prince of Peace* #103

Prayers of Joy & Concern

All: To God be all the praise and glory!

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Prayers of the People

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come; your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who

sin against us. Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever.

Call to Offering

We are the works of God's hands, and we are the hands and feet of God in our work today. That is why we bring our gifts this morning: to be part of the working church, the creative church, the church ministering beautifully to the world, witnessing to the works of God in our midst. Let us gather our gifts now and present them as an offering to our God.

If you're a guest, do not feel obligated to give. Your gift of your presence today is a gift enough.

*The Doxology #606
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*Closing Hymn #700
I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

*Benediction & Charge

*Sharing the Peace

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

All: And also with you.

One: Please share signs of peace.

Announcements

The last Spiritual Gifts Group will meet today after worship.

Advent Open Prayer will be tomorrow, Dec. 16, from 2-7pm at church. Rev. Amy will be there.

Bible Study will be held on Monday, Dec. 16, from 6:30-7:30pm, at the church.

Choir practice will be Monday, Dec. 16, from 7:30-8:30pm.

December is OPC Food Pantry month. Volunteers are needed Monday, Dec. 16, to help pick-up, unload/sort, food, and Tuesday, Dec. 17, to assist customers with their food. Please sign up on the sheet on bulletin board if you are able to help.

Children's Play will be next Sunday, December 22, during worship.

Christmas Eve Service will begin at 8:30pm with music and worship at 9pm.

We are in search of a new Nursery worker. The Job description is posted on the bulletin board. If you know anyone who is interested, please contact Victoria O. or Rev. Amy.

The Christmas Poinsettias are provided by the following members in Memory of the following people.

Hirzel Family

Loved Ones

Johnson Family

Loved Ones

Kaufman Family

Loved Ones

Myers Family

Loved Ones

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