

Prayer List

We protect the confidential nature of our prayer requests.

The complete list of requested prayers is provided during worship rather than in 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.

Announcements cont.

On the bulletin board there is a signup sheet for color suggestions for the bathrooms. If you have any colors you would like to see the bathrooms painted, please mark it down.

One Great Hour of Sharing offering will take place through April 5.

There are printed Lenten devotional guides available for you on the table at the foot of the stairs. They are also available online from Luther Seminary (see Leslee or the February newsletter). There are both regular print and some large print available.

The Beatitudes for Lent at Home Family Devotional cards are also available. Especially for families with children and youth, these have beautiful hand drawn art, reflections and more.

OPC Food Pantry Month has been changed to March, instead of June. The dates volunteers are needed are Mondays of March 9 & 30 and Tuesdays, March 10 & 31st. Signup sheets are posted on the bulletin board for those that can help.

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Candy will be needed to fill the eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt in March. If you are willing to provide candy, please bring it in by Sunday, March 15 and put it in the kitchen. Volunteers are also needed to help fill the Easter eggs with the candy. Please contact Marge Roberts if you can help.

Lent is One Great Hour of Sharing Season. We won't receive the offering until March 29 (Palm Sunday), however there are resources for you now. Fish banks and sharing calendars are available on the table downstairs.

Our Prayers of the People comes to us courtesy of Shea Watts, writing in the Presbyterian Outlook.

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Welcome to OPC!

*The Congregation stands if able in body or spirit.

Prelude

GATHERING

Welcome

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

All: Hosanna in the highest!

One: This is the day the Lord has made.

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Announcements

Call to Worship

One: Happy are those who trust in the Lord.

All: God's steadfast love surrounds us.

One: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

All: slow to anger and abounding in love.

One: May we be glad and rejoice.

All: Let us worship the Lord together!

*Hymn *O Day of Rest and Gladness* #393

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

All: O Lord our God, you created us and called us good. You planted us in the garden of your grace and provided everything we might need. Yet we are tempted by other fruit and succumb to our own desires. We sin against you, disobeying your commandments. We sin against others, causing sorrow and suffering. We even sin against ourselves, forgetting that we are made in your image. Forgive us, O Lord our God. Deliver us from sin and death, strengthen us by your faithfulness, that we may turn away from evil and live according to your word; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

*Silent Prayer: Amen

*Words of Assurance

*Hymn #166
Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days (vs 1 & 3)

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Zechariah 9:9-10; Psalm 118:19-29

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Choir Anthem *"Come Follow Me"*

Time with Kids Leslee Kirkconnell

New Testament Reading Matthew 21:1-11

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Video

Sermon *"Jerusalem: Risking Reputation"*
Leslee Kirkconnell

RESPONSE

***Apostle's Creed** **On screen**

*Hymn *Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!* #198

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever.

Call to Offering

*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 *At the Name of Jesus* #264

*Benediction & Charge

The Peace

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

All: And also with you.

One: Let us share signs of peace.

Announcements

March newsletter articles are due to the office tomorrow, Monday, February 23rd.

Lenten Bible Study will meet on Wednesday, February 25 at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall.

Save the Date: Soup and games time after church on Sunday March 1st. Bring games to play. Sign up if you want to bring soup or crackers.

World Day of Prayer 2026 will be celebrated on March 6, 2026 at 12:30 pm in Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Ottawa. The theme is "I will give you rest: come." Please join us for a prayer program in Church followed by light refreshments in our Parish Meeting room.

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