

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



Poinsettias are provided by the following members In Memory of Loved Ones:

Riepenhoff In Memory of Katrina
Mike & Nancy Kaufman In Memory of Loved Ones
Myers In Memory of Loved Ones
Carrie In Memory of Loved Ones
Gillian Holzhauser-Graber In Memory of Rev. Dr.
Emil Holzhauser, Charlotte Holzahuser, & Dr. Virgil E.
Graber

Congregational Mtg will be held today after worship.

December is our month to help at the Food Pantry. Volunteers are needed for Monday, December 15, and Tuesday, December 16, to help with sorting food or helping customers with selecting their items. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board.

Session Mtg will be held on Wednesday, December 17, at 6 pm.

Advent Food Pantry Drive: Join OPC in collecting selected food items that the Food Pantry needs. If you wish to participate, bring your items to church each Sunday in Advent.

Today: Hamburger Helper, baked beans, and canned potatoes

12/21: Canned pineapple & canned peaches

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Christmas Eve Service: Music at 8:30pm, Worship begins at 9pm.

Join us Sunday, January 4, 2026 for a special Epiphany Celebration. We will gather in Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. for a potluck breakfast - bring something to share - casserole, fruit, bagels, pastries, etc). We'll share table fellowship and then have a special blessing liturgy, 'Chalking the Doors.' We'll finish in time for worship, where we'll continue our celebration. Everyone welcome - all ages and invite a friend to join you!

Pulpit Supply for December 21 is Ellen Hugunin

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Welcome to OPC!

Poinsettias are provided for the Christmas season by members of the congregation.

*The Congregation stands if able in body or spirit.

We welcome Rev. Ann Wasson this morning!

GATHERING

Welcome

One: Jesus says: I am coming soon.

All: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

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Call to Worship

One: Prepare the way of the Lord.

All: That all nations shall see the salvation of our God.

One: Prepare the way of hope, peace, and joy.

All: Prepare the way of the Lord! Come let us worship God!

Lighting of the Advent Wreath Beckman

Lighting the Flame of Hope

Love: I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make Your faithfulness known through all generations. My soul magnifies the Lord.

*Hymn *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You* #104

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

All: God of our lives, we confess that we have not expected your reign. We live casual lives, we ignore the signs of your kingdom and its promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth and refuse your justice and peace. In your mercy, forgive us. Turn us to your new way known in Jesus Christ. Grant us

wisdom to welcome your way and to seek the things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world with righteousness. Hear our silent prayers of confession.

*Silent Prayer: Amen

*Words of Assurance

*Glory to God #582 & On screen

Choir Anthem *When Will The Little King Come?*

THE WORD

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 35:1-10

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Time with Kids Rev. Ann

New Testament Reading Matthew 11:2-6

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "The Advent of Something New"
Rev. Ann Wasson

RESPONSE

*Hymn *In the Bleak Midwinter* #144

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

*Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give our thanks and praise to the Lord our God.

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

One: With saints, with angels,...and eternal hymn:

All: 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.

One: According to Jesus's command, let us recite:

All: We remember his death, we proclaim his resurrection, we await his coming in glory.

Serving of the People

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 & On screen

Prayer of Blessing for the Special Gifts

SENDING

*Closing Hymn *Prepare the Way, O Zion* #106

*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.

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