

## 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](mailto:prayercircle@ottawapresby.org).

### Announcements Cont.

Vacation Bible School registration is available. There is also a sign-up sheet for volunteers on the bulletin board. VBS is July 13-16, 6:00-8:30 p.m. at New Creation Lutheran Church. <http://bit.ly/4tY0wAh>

Lunch in the Park: May 21, 2026 at Ottawa Citizen's Center. Lunch served from 11:00 until 1:00. Menu includes: Taco Salad Bowl, Brats Sandwich Platter, Hot Dog (regular or southern style) Platter, Chicken Salad on a Croissant Platter, Assorted Desserts & Drink. Eat in or call for a carryout at 419-523-5593.

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Welcome to OPC!

\*The Congregation stands if able in body or spirit.

Prelude

## GATHERING

Welcome

One: Shout to God with songs of joy.

All: Jesus has ascended into heaven!

Announcements

Minute for Synod Gillian Holzhauser-Graber

Call to Worship

One: O God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness,

All: the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

One: Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad; you restored your heritage when it languished; your flock found a dwelling in it; in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy.

All: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord. Let us worship God together!

\*Hymn *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* #662

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

All: Eternal God, you have loved us from generation to generation. You have shown your faithfulness more often than we can recall. The Bible tells us of your steadfast mercy. You even pray for us. Yet we live holding on to past hurts; we are not open to your new creation. We prefer the safety

of what we know to the excitement of discipleship. Forgive us, we pray, and make us again as you would have us to be. We make all of our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ. (silent prayer)

\*Words of Assurance

One: We know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence.

All: Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

One: Believe the promise of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

\*Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you all!

All: And also with you.

\*Response *Christ is Alive (vs 1 & 5)* #246

## THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading Psalm 68:1-10; 32-35

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Time with Kids Leslee Kirkconnell

New Testament Reading Acts 1:6-14; John 17:1-11

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Leslee Kirkconnell

## RESPONSE

**\*Affirmation of Faith:** (screen)  
(from A Brief Statement of Faith)

\*Hymn #618  
*O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High*

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

\*Hymn *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus* #260

\*Charge & Benediction

## Announcements

Last day of Sunday School is today.

Next Sunday is Pentecost – wear RED!

Summer breakfasts begin next Sunday. There will be a Pentecost Breakfast Potluck beginning at 9am. Bring breakfast food to share. A signup sheet is posted on the bulletin board for the rest of the summer. Those breakfasts will begin at 9:30am.

June newsletter articles are due to the office on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

*Announcements cont. on next page*