

Ogden Presbyterian Church



This Week at the Ogden Presbyterian Church

Today..... Worship, 10am
 4th Sunday in Lent
 Missions (after worship)
 SCC Concert, 3pm

Monday Men's Bible Study, Noon,
 Union St. Eatery
 Cub Scouts, 6:30pm
 ****ORACLE DEADLINE****

Tuesday Women's Bible, 9:30am

Wednesday Home Bureau, 9:30—2:30
 Choir, 4pm
 TOPS, 5:30pm
 Bells, 6pm

Thursday Lenten Series, 7pm

Next Sunday.... Worship, 10am
 5th Sunday in Lent
 PW (after worship)

Upcoming OPC Events

March 19
 Lunch Bunch, Noon,
 Slayton Place
 Deacons, 6:30pm
 Trustees, 7pm
 Cub Scouts, 6:30pm

March 20
 Session, 7pm

March 22
 Lenten Series, 7pm

March 25
Palm Sunday

March 29
Maundy Thursday Service, 7pm

March 30
Good Friday (sanctuary will be open Noon to 3pm for quiet prayer)

April 1
Easter SonRise Service, 7am, Canal Gazebo
 Regular Worship, 10am

Worship and Fellowship Assistants		
	Today	Next Sunday
Greeters	Lee Rueping	Bob Hutchison
Ushers	Marilyn & Dick Malloy	Bonnie & Roger Howlett
Liturgist	Roger Howlett	Carol Newman
Fellowship	Membership Committee	Resch Family
SS Teacher	Carol Newman	Kelly Bindert
Nursery	Pamela Gonnoud	Sim Mulford
BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR..... Bonnie Bush		
CHOIR DIRECTOR:..... Jean Weaver		
ORGANIST/ACCOMPANIST:..... Ellen Bristol		
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION DIRECTOR..... Donna Metherell		

Trustee of the Month — March — Tim Cassidy — 352-0442
 One trustee is assigned per month to take care of any building issues that may arise. Please call the designated Trustee if you have something that needs to be addressed. Thank You!

NEW OPC PHOTO DIRECTORY
 It is time for a new church photo directory! The Membership Committee is looking for submissions of **RECENT** photographs to be included in the new directory. If you have a favorite digital photo, please email it over to Brandon in the church office at ogdenpresbyterian@gmail.com. If you only have a hard copy, please bring it in for Brandon to scan during his office hours (Tuesday & Friday, 1:30 to 5pm) and you can take it right back home with you. Many thanks for your assistance!

GREECE PAINT PLAYERS PRESENT:
“Lover’s Leap”

The Fellowship Team is hosting a dinner/theatre outing to see the comedy “Lover’s Leap” performed by the Greece Paint Players at the Whittier Party House on **Sunday, April 15th at 3pm**. The cost is \$27.00/person for the dinner and theatre, and you will have four meal options to choose from.

The sign-up sheet is posted on the Fellowship Bulletin Board. **The deadline to sign up is March 18th!** Janet Fraina will be coordinating this event. We hope you will



Writing of Joys and Concerns
 There is a prayer request card in the pew. Please write down your prayer or praise request for us. (Please print legibly). Please put the prayer card into the offering plate during the offering so the pastor will include your joys and concerns in Prayers of the People.

Touch Cards. Please take a moment to send a thought or well wishes to the designated person listed below. The cards can be found in each pew. **Drop them in the collection plate or in the little basket in the Library.** The Deacons will make sure they get to that person.

This week’s touch cards are for -

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, contact John Caloritis (Clerk of Session) at 723-1285, or Dennise Webster (Deacon Chair) at 698-0784.

REMEMBER: April 2017 Oracle deadline is **Monday, March 12th.**

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Website: <http://www.ogdenpresbyterian.org> (if you misplace your bulletin or Oracle, they can be found on the website)

Please use the time before worship starts to personally meditate, prepare or center your mind for worship.

WELCOME TO OGDEN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are glad you came today.

For your convenience, nursery care is available in Room #1 from 9:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. If needed, the room off the Narthex can be used for a cry room or for infant care. Sunday School for children through 8th grade is held during the worship service after the children’s time. Restrooms are located past the Fellowship Hall on the right. Please join us in the fellowship hall for a coffee/tea fellowship following the service.

OPC Mission Statement: Our purpose is to equip ourselves and others to be Disciples of Christ as we seek God’s will for our church and beyond.

Rev. Tedd Pullano
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Audio Loop Installed
Hearing Aid Induction Loop Area
Use Your Telecoils
Audio Loop Installed

Welcome to Ogden Presbyterian Church
Sunday, March 11, 2018—4th Sunday in Lent

*Worshippers please stand (as you are able)

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

CAMBRIDGE CHIMES
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
GREETING EACH OTHER
Ringing of Bell

PRELUDE “Variations on *Puer Nobis Nascitur*” Arr. Hopson
Lighting of the candles

*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Sisters and brothers, *together* we are the body of the Christ.

P: We are God's hands and feet, God's eyes and ears.

L: God calls us to be the “church”, which means we are to love.

P: We are called to love everyone and we respond with energy, passion, and hope.

L: “Everyone” includes those gathered here.

P: Help us this day, Holy One, to learn how to love and support one another.

L: Lord God, the early church devoted themselves to your Word and to fellowship.

P: Today you call us to study your Word and to grow together.

L: Teach us what we need to know to love you and serve each other faithfully.

P: Strengthen us to be good neighbors as we grow as your disciples.

L: Let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to anger.

P: Help our words and actions be filled with your grace and love.

*HYMN #259 “A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

L: When the busyness of our lives erodes the intentions of our hearts, Merciful God,

P: Forgive us.

L: When our personal agendas take precedence over reaching out to each other, Merciful God,

P: Forgive us

L: When we keep putting off being more active “doers of the word”, Merciful God

P: Forgive us

L: When we resist change, knowing that our acting and thinking are limited by our prejudice and ignorance, Merciful God

P: Forgive us

L: When we only half-listen to those among us who cry out to be fully heard, Merciful God

P: Forgive us.

ALL: Gracious and merciful God, forgive us for not loving each other fully and help us to make ourselves more available to those that surround us.

Equip us to be patient and compassionate listeners, proclaiming and living the gospel sensitively and lovingly. Strengthen us with the Holy Spirit to be fruitful and active witnesses to Jesus in all we do and say.

(silence is observed for reflection and prayer)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

L: Hear the good news: God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned (John 3). In Jesus Christ, therefore, we are forgiven.

P: Thanks be to God!

CHOIR ANTHEM “Beneath the Cross of Jesus” ~Carter

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READINGS Joshua 24:14-18 p.188
Acts 2:42-47 p. 886

L: This is the word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God!

SERMON “Covenant Community” Rev. Tedd Pullano

RECEIVING OUR NEW MEMBERS

Elder: On behalf of the Session, I present: **Jeff Heitzenrater, Afton**

Heitzenrater, Loretta Martin and Sarah VanStaalduinen, who have been received into the membership of this congregation by reaffirmation of faith.

PRAYER

PROFESSION OF FAITH

*RENUNCIATIONS

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

I do.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

*PROFESSION (Hymnal, p.14, Traditional)

You have publicly professed your faith. Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Christ?

ALL: I will, with God's help.

PRAYER

THE PEACE

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Welcome to this congregation and its worship and ministry!

*HYMN #358 “Help Us Accept Each Other”

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERING INVITATION

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OFFERTORY “Adagio in G minor”

~Albinoni

*DOXOLOGY #542 v.4

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

God, today we have heard that your early believers “had things in common” and “distributed the proceeds to all, as any had need.” With that great model in our hearts, we return to you a part of the blessings you share with us. Please accept this humble offering as our response to your love for us. Please use it to create a world where no one has need of anything. Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (unison)

“Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.”

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #538 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE “Grand Triumphal Chorus”

~Guilmant

welcome

The Membership Committee is hosting a special Fellowship Hour after worship to welcome our New Members. All are welcome to join us for some great fellowship!

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THANK YOU!!!
Thank you to all who worked on and attended the spaghetti dinner last Sunday. It was a success thanks to all of you! We raised **\$953** to support our church activities this year!
Again, many thanks!
~Dick Malloy, for Men's Bible Study

CODE BLUE COLLECTION ENDS MARCH 18th.
Sunday, March 18th is the last day the Mission Committee will be collecting items for the Open Door Mission. The committee has a guest speaker coming to OPC that day. Any additional items will be given to her after worship. The committee thanks everyone for your continued support.



**SPENCERPORT COMMUNITY CHORUS PRESENTS
“Broadway Showstoppers!”**

Tap your toes, sing along, dance in the aisle for this all-Broadway concert! Featuring your favorites from: *The Sound of Music, Phantom of the Opera, Fiddler on the Roof, Cabaret, 42nd Street, Wicked, Hello Dolly,* and so much more!

Sunday, March 11th @ 3pm, @ OPC. FREE ADMISSION!
(donations accepted at the door).

Connect with the group at spencerportsingers.org.
For more information, call 494-1795.

ANNUAL OPC RUMMAGE SALE

Thursday, April 26: 5pm to 8pm

Friday, April 27: 8am to 8pm

Saturday, April 28: 8am to Noon (bag sale)

Start your spring cleaning and bring your treasures to the Rummage Sale **beginning on Sunday, April 22nd** after the worship service.

Sign-up sheets are located on the PW Board. Please consider donating a few hours to help make the sale a success! We can greatly use your help.

Contact Pam Ehring, Donna Gruendike, or Marilyn Malloy with questions.



FOSTERING HOPE

The Mission Committee is once again filling backpacks for Fostering Hope. We'll be collecting items throughout March and April. Please take an “Easter Egg” or two from our tree, purchase the items, and place them in the special box on the Mission Table. There are copies of the list there for you to take home, too.

Thank you for your continued support of OPC Mission.