

Welcome, we're glad you're here!

We welcome you to join us on a transformative journey.

Seeking God, we strive to know God and love God.

Serving others, we follow our Servant Savior to help bring fullness of life to others.

Sharing Christ's love with all we proclaim the unconditional love of Christ filled with joy and hope.

If you are a Miami student, we invite you to make this your church home away from home during your time at Miami.

Liturgist: Matt Lykins

(Image on cover: "The Transfiguration" by Argentinian artist, Nerina Canzi)

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION – Adult Christian Education

PRELUDE "Soli Deo Gloria" setting Tim Shaw

CHORAL INTROIT "You Are My All in All"
Dennis L. Jerrigan

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Inspired by Mark 9:2-9)

One: Gathering in this sacred place
we anticipate new wonders each week.

All: **Wherever two or three are gathered to worship, a holy spirit is present.**

Open our eyes to witness the fantastic love and wondrous joy waiting to be revealed, even this day, even in this place.

Like the disciples, we may want to linger and camp in this sanctuary but when we leave today may our hearts be open to all the wonders of God's beautiful world.

*HYMN – "Let Us Build a House" #301

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Holy God,
on mountaintops and valley floors
you reveal to us the light of your love.
Our hearts desire is to bask in the amazing
glory of the divine presence.**

Forgive us, Jesus, when we linger too long by the waters, and on the mountain tops, enthralled with the glory that flows from you. When we fail to listen to your voice, leading and guiding us, shake us from our contentment and send us forward endowed with your power. Amen

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

The God of Abraham and Sarah, Moses and Elijah, desires mercy more than sacrifice and a contrite heart rather than burnt offerings. Love and serve the Lord, then forgiveness shall be your friend and mercy your true companion.
Alleluia! Amen!!

*SHARING THE PEACE

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

(Children in Preschool through Grade 8 are dismissed to class following the children's message.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Shine upon us, God of glory,
And by your Spirit reveal to us
The grace and truth of Jesus Christ,
Your Word made flesh. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

A reading from Mark 9:2-9

Holy wisdom, holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Listening for God"

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

*HYMN – "We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding" #191

*THE APOSTLES' CREED pg. 35

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER
(sins...sin)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Jubilate Deo"
Paul Leddington Wright

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN – "God of Grace and God of Glory" #307

*BLESSING

**Now may the God who said,
"Let light shine out of darkness"
and has shone in our hearts,
give us light to bear to the world
that all may see and know that God is love.
Amen.**

*CHORAL RESPONSE "Transform Us"
Old French melody / text: Sylvia G. Dunstan

*POSTLUDE "Te Deum" Marc Antoine Charpentier

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

Large-print bulletins and hearing assistance units are available from the ushers. **Please sign the friendship pads found at the end of the pew and pass them to your neighbors.**

Greeters: Greg Hughes and Paula Foltz

Acolyte: Abigail Curry

The flowers on the communion table are given by Cornelia Browne in gratefulness to my church family.

Mission Partners Prayer List:

Presbytery of the Miami Valley: Memorial Presbyterian

Sister Churches: The First Church of Zlatoust, Russia and The Seventh Church of Barranquilla, Colombia

Congregational Prayer Concerns: Betty Barnhart, Roberta Crain, Tracy DeGood, Bob Douglass, Nancy Gates, Genee Hesse, Breanna Kinneman, Betty Reinhart, Jan Reinhart, Marilyn Rettig, Sarah Soika, Dave Wilson, Stacey Winn

Email prayer requests call Pat Roberts, 513-255-0549 or email the church office, office@oxfordpresbychurch.org

Fellowship hour following worship hosted by Stewardship and Finance Committee.

UPCOMING DATES:

Lenten Study Groups: Lent has traditionally been a time for contemplation and study. This year at OPC will be no different...Lenten study groups are coming!

Please join in an informational meeting today at 11:30 am in the Sanctuary to discuss two offerings:

1. *The Way of Life* - based on "The Great Spiritual Migration" by Brian McLaren (4 discussion times)
2. *All the Families of the Earth* - reading "The Lemon Tree" by Sandy Tolen and "Blood Brothers" by Elias Chacour (4 discussion times plus optional field trips)

If you are unable to stay for the informational meeting today, you may call the church to say you are interested. Also, feel free to contact Jenny Bailer (jbailer@woh.rr.com) or Candace Crist (crist.candace@gmail.com) who are serving as co-coordinators for OPC's adult Christian education.

Souper Bowl of Caring

Thank you to those of you who contributed towards the Souper Bowl of Caring fundraiser, which took place last week after worship. Thanks to your generosity and support, we raised \$315.15! All these proceeds will go to the Oxford Community Choice Pantry. Thanks again to the congregation for the prayers and support!

IT IS TIME TO DINE!! Please join a group for fun, fellowship, and FOOD! The Membership, Evangelism, and Fellowship Committee is coordinating a new season of get-togethers. Come one, come all! Everyone welcome!!

Last chance to sign up TODAY----after worship in the Molyneaux or by following this link

<https://goo.gl/forms/ig9L7ncxyTAWk3nA2>. You can choose to be in a group with your children, an all adult group, or just be surprised! The MEF committee will form the groups, based on your preferences.

This evening, February 11, at 5:00 at the Seminary we will come together for a giant pot luck to kick off the 2018 Time to Dine and find your group and plan your first get-together!

Fat Tuesday Pancake Dinner: Tuesday, February 13th, 5:00-7:00pm, Seminary building. Join us for some food, fellowship and fun! Tickets can be purchased today after worship service in the Molyneaux Lounge and also at the door the night of the event. \$5/person or \$20/family. This event is being hosted by our youth as a fundraiser for their Youth Mission Trip to Charleston, SC this summer.

Ash Wednesday: Ash Wednesday is February 14th. All are welcome to gather with your brothers and sisters in faith for an intergenerational Ash Wednesday. We begin with a light dinner in the Community Room of the Seminary Church at 5:30 p.m. Each family is asked to bring fruit or bread to the dinner. Soup will be served. A worship service including the imposition of ashes and Holy Communion will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday Afternoon Circle: The Tuesday Afternoon Circle will meet on February 20th with Special Guests Dave and Sue Wilson speaking about "Angels". After their talk, Lynn Cronk will be presenting the lesson, "Cloud of Witnesses the Community of Christ in Hebrews". The optional lunch at the Commons is at 12:00 p.m. with the Circle beginning at 1:30 p.m. in the Country Kitchen. If you would like to join us for lunch, reservations are due Friday, February 16. Visitors are always welcome.

Sunday School: There will be no Sunday School for preschoolers through 5th graders on February 18. In lieu of Sunday school, Carol Klumb will be hosting a "Crafts with Carol" upstairs in the Geneva room for this age group.

The Honored Woman Award: Each year the Oxford Presbyterian Women present the Honored Woman Award to a special woman who has dedicated her time and talent to the work of the church. The selection is made through nominations from the congregation. If you have seen or worked beside a woman who has faithfully served the Lord and His church, please send a letter of nomination to Pat Gifford, at gifforp@miamioh.edu, or drop in my mailbox at church. The deadline for submissions is March 1, 2018.

Sunday, February 11

- 9:00 Chancel Choir
- 10:00 Worship
- 10:20 Sunday School
- 11:10 Fellowship in the Molyneaux
- 5:00 Time to Dine Kick-off Potluck (Seminary)

Monday, February 12

- 7:00 Art Class (Seminary)

Tuesday, February 13

- 10:00 DVD showing (Knolls)
- 5:00 Fat Tuesday Pancake Dinner (Seminary)
- 6:30 Stewardship & Finance (Molyneaux)
- 6:30 Trustees (2nd Pastor's Office)

Wednesday, February 14

- 5:30 Light Dinner (Seminary)
- 6:30 Ash Wednesday Service (Seminary)

Thursday, February 15

- 10:00 RCA (Molyneaux)
- 4:00 PEO (Seminary)
- 5:30 APNC (Molyneaux)
- 5:30 Mission & Outreach (2nd Pastor's Office)
- 7:00 Youth Group (Youth Room)
- 7:30 Chancel Choir (Geneva Room)

Friday, February 16

Saturday, February 17

- 10:00 A.A. (Molyneaux)

Sunday, February 18

First Sunday in Lent

- 9:00 Chancel Choir
- 10:00 Worship
- 10:20 Crafts with Carol
- 11:10 Fellowship in the Molyneaux

Transfiguration Sunday



Sunday, February 11, 2018



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