

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.

**Please rise in body or in spirit*

(Images on the bulletin cover – Youth Group Mission Team in Charleston, SC)

WE GATHER in GOD'S NAME

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Light Dawns on a Weary World"
setting, David M. Cherwien

CHORAL INTROIT

"Praise Ye the Lord"
J. Jefferson Cleveland

***CALL to WORSHIP** (Inspired by Ephesians 3 &4) Cora Friede

One: We gather today as your people, God.
All: **One people, gathered in your name.**

We gather today as your beloved.
One community, giving praise and honor to you, the Righteous One

One body and one Spirit,
called to the hope of one calling,
one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
one God and Father of all who is above all and through all and in all.

Now, in the name of the Three-in-One,
we gather today as children of the covenant.
We offer this time of worship to you, O God.

***HYMN** – *"O Lord My God"* #625

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Inspired by Psalm 1) Jens Bartel

**Holy God,
in your presence we admit
that most of the time we are too busy
singing and praying
and feeling good and feeling bad
and feeling so-so
to stop and listen for your tiny, little whispers.**

In your word you paint for us a picture
of full and abundant life,
**life that can only be had by drinking
your living water,
knowing you not as a title,
but face to face,
intimately, yet a mystery....**

**We pray that our lives would be planted near you –
that we would send our roots deep
into your word and your life,
that we would draw nourishment from you,
and that with the life you give we would in turn
provide shelter and comfort and blessing
to whoever comes under our branches.**

**We pray that we would not walk
in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stand in the way of sinners,
nor abide in the house of the scornful,
but that our delight would be in you,
in your truth, in your grace, now and forevermore.
Amen.**

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** David Kraushar

The good news is this:
The Lord does not leave us broken in our guilt!
Jesus is good and upright and teaches us a humble way.
We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen!

***SHARING THE PEACE**

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Mitch Hardy

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

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Grady Holmes

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

SCRIPTURE Ezekiel Groom

A reading from Romans 10:14-15

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON *"Sharing our Mission Experiences"* Isabella Walter
Kiefer Bell
Isabel Lykins

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

***HYMN** – *"My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"* #353

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

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *"Hush! Somebody's Callen' My Name"*
traditional African-American, arr. Brazeal Dennard

PRAYER OF DEDICATION Ethan Kraushar

***HYMN** – *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"* #268

***BLESSING** Isabel Lykins

Look around.
Notice the multiple generations represented among us—
none more beloved by the Jesus than another.

You are the Lord's beloved.
The person next to you is God's beloved.
The person who challenges you is God's beloved.
The person who inspires you is God's beloved.

Leave resolved to see and treat others as just who they
are: beloved.
Alleluia! Amen!

***CHORAL RESPONSE** *"Go Now in Love and Peace"*
Patrick M. Liebergen

***POSTLUDE** *"Jubilate Deo"* arr. J. Wayne Kerr

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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: Youth Mission Team

The flowers on the communion table are given by Joy Russell.

Mission Partners Prayer List:
Presbytery of the Miami Valley: First Presbyterian, Sidney
Sister Churches: The First Church of Zlatoust, Russia
and The Seventh Church of Barranquilla, Colombia

Congregational Concerns: Betty Barnhart, John Curry,
Tracy DeGood, Bob Douglass, Nancy Gates, Genee Hesse,
Breanna Kinneman, Ruth Miller, Jan Reinhart, Becky Rudolph,
Charles Skipper, Sarah Soika, Joan Teckman, Dave Wilson,
Stacey Winn, Jean Woodruff
Email prayer requests to Janet Holmes, holmest2@frontier.com,
call Pat Roberts, 513-255-0549 or email the church office,
office@oxfordpresbychurch.org.

Fellowship hour hosted by Carol Klumb on behalf of the Membership, Evangelism and Fellowship Committee.

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MINISTRY NEWS:

Ripped from the Headlines: The next meeting will be held on Sunday, August 5, from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. The meeting will be led by held at Jenn and Bella Walter's home, 6479 Contreras Rd. Adults (including YOUTH) are encouraged to attend.

All are welcome whether or not you have attended any meetings in the past. Please consider joining the discussion in a supportive atmosphere where all views are encouraged and accepted.

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Bed and Breakfast.....for a Cause

*Who? You, we hope!

*Why? Hospitality for Miami students' families **and support 4 local OPW Benevolences.**

*What? Do you have a bedroom and bathroom to offer?

*When? Any of the following:

- Miami's Family Week-ends: beginning Fri./ Sat., Sept.28-29,2018; May Graduation Weekends; future Homecoming Week-ends; Future Move-in/Move-out Week-ends.

*Where do I sign up? Contact Paula Foltz 513-523-9873

**We need 8 host homes by August 15, 2018, in order to publicize this project to students.

Sponsored by MEF (Mission, Evangelism, and Fellowship in partnership with OPW (Oxford Presbyterian Women).

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Deacons Children's Food Drive: Many children depend on school lunches and need extra food at home during the summer. The Deacons Children's Food Drive culminates TODAY.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make a check out to the Oxford Presbyterian Church with "Children's Food Drive" in the note field and place it in the donation plate during

offering. The money will be used to purchase food for the Oxford Choice Food Pantry.

According to the Oxford Choice Food Pantry, there is a real need for canned fruit right now. Other needs include: cereal, spaghetti sauce, canned meals (such as Chef Boyardee or Kroger meals) and peanut butter.

Toilet paper, child personal care items like body wash, deodorant, shampoo and hair conditioner are also appreciated.

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Mark your calendar – The next Community Meal Sponsored by OPC will be held on Wednesday, August 29.

Grilled meat (hamburgers, sausages and hot dogs) supplied. We will need salads, buns, chips and desserts. Any dry goods for the dry goods pantry are also accepted.

Please call or email Bill Fisher at 524-4504 or fisherwf@miamioh.edu if you can help.

MINISTRY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 29

- 9:00am Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00am Worship
- 10:20am Sunday School
- 11:10am Fellowship in the Molyneaux

Tuesday, July 31

- 12:00pm Staff Meeting (Molyneaux)

Thursday, August 2

- 5:30pm Mission and Outreach (2nd Pastor's Office)

Saturday, August 4

- 10:00am A.A. (Molyneaux)

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Pastor: Lawrence Bartel Clerk of Session: Julia Fisher

Youth Mission Sunday



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