
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**

Liturgist: Prue Dana

(Image on cover: "Elijah" by John August Swanson (b. 1938))

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY – Congregational Sharing with Microphones

PRELUDE

"The Lord's Prayer"
Albert Hay Malotte
Rachel Brown, Soloist

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Inspired by 2 Kings 2)

One: Come, Holy God

All: offer us your mantle of love and power in this place. In the shelter of its love let us lay before you our troubles, our longings, our hopes. Let its power open us to new ways through difficulty, struggle and loss into your Spirit's realm of joy and peace.

One: Come, Holy God

All: in your presence there is fullness of glory. Transform us in worship as we grow In the grace and knowledge Of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

***HYMN** – *"Spirit Divine, Attend Our Prayers"* #407

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Inspired by Galatians 5:13-25, Luke 9:51-62)

All: O Lord God, we struggle to manifest the fruits of the Spirit, but often find ourselves bound by works of the flesh.

We know the whole law is summed up in the single commandment to love our neighbor as ourselves. Yet we create fences around ourselves to keep neighbors outside and tell ourselves we have no responsibility.

Even in our own back yard we "bite and devour" one another. We wish it were different. When Jesus calls us to follow him, we find every excuse to instead go home or to the workplace to finish something more important first. Yet we yearn to be more centered on You...

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

One: Beloved in Christ, despite our resistance, we can be assured that God's Spirit of Pentecost redeems the people.

All: Jesus Christ calls us back to God's realm, and encourages us with a love we can never lose no matter how hard we push back, no matter how often we forget, no matter how far we stray. We need but ask and we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen!

*SHARING THE PEACE

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

HOMILY – *"If There's Any Doubt"* Pastor Lawrence

SCRIPTURE

A reading from 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Holy wisdom, holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

HOMILY – *"If There's Any Doubt"*

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

***HYMN** – *"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot"* #825

INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICER

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATE FOR INSTALLATION
Deacon: Lee Fisher Clerk

INSTALLTION QUESTIONS OF THE CANDIDATE

QUESTIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (Unison)

Gracious God, pour out your Spirit upon your servant whom you have called through baptism as your own and marked as your own. Grant him the same mind that was in Christ Jesus.

Give him the gifts of your Holy Spirit to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision. In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry, give to your servant gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility and humor, courage and an abiding sense of your presence. Amen.

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

OFFERING

"Pie Jesu" from Requiem
Andrew Lloyd Webber
Rachel Brown and MacKenzie LaMotte, Sopranos

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN** – *"Light Dawns on a Weary World"* #79

*BLESSING

May God, who began a good work in you, continue to be at work in your life, guiding, teaching and equipping you until God's Kingdom is on earth as it is in heaven.

May our love and compassion continue to grow— a love that is full of knowledge and wise insight, so that we will be able to recognize what really matters, and live a pure and blameless life.

May we live a life centered in the Holy Spirit, a life that bears rich fruit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, tolerance and self-control – all the good things that come from following the Spirit, for living this way will bring much glory and praise to God.

***POSTLUDE** Trumpet Tune
Jason D. Payne

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

Greeters: The Lykins Family

The flowers on the communion table are given in honor of the family June birthdays. They are from Tom and Janet's garden.

Congregational Concerns: Betty Barnhart, Jean Butterfield, John Curry, Mel & Jean Derickson, Bob Douglass, Nancy Gates, Genee Hesse, Breanna Kinneman, Ruth Miller, Jan Reinhart, Becky Rudolph, Sarah Soika, Joan Teckman, Dave Wilson, Stacey Winn, John & Jean Woodruff

Email prayer request to Janet Holmes, holmest2@frontier.com, or email the church office, office@oxfordpresbychurch.org.

Fellowship Hour hosted by Carol Klumb on behalf of the Membership, Evangelism, Fellowship Committee. Please join us in the Molyneaux lounge following worship.

MINISTRY NEWS

Summer Camp Opportunity: The Youth Ministry at OPC is offering an opportunity for students to attend Summer Camp at Kirkmont. Any youth interested in attending camp should register [online](https://kirkmontcenter.campbrainregistration.com/): <https://kirkmontcenter.campbrainregistration.com/>. Please choose the "church scholarship" option on the online registration form.

We ask that the youth's family cover the initial deposit of \$75 and the church will pay the remaining balance to Kirkmont. Check out the Kirkmont [website](https://www.kirkmontcenter.org/choose-a-camp/): <https://www.kirkmontcenter.org/choose-a-camp/> for more information. Any questions? Please contact Jenn Walter, at 513-593-4883.

Women's Conference - Montreat Conference Center: Montreat Women's Conference is being held August 9-11 and the theme is "The Greatest of These is Love". It is a great time of worship, fellowship, and fun! Carrie Ann Sharitt is arranging for a group from several small churches to attend the conference together. Cost is \$262 per person (\$237 registration plus \$25 for food). The lodging has graciously been provided for us. The conference starts at 7:00 p.m. on Friday with worship and ends on Sunday after the conclusion of 11:00 a.m. worship.

The conference keynote speaker is Valerie Kaur and Amy Grant is the "special" musical performer on Sunday morning. There will also be numerous small groups offered on Saturday. To register for the conference (or read more information) you can go to www.montreat.org/events/women.

To reserve a spot in the house rented by Carrie Ann, please send a check for \$25 to church by the end of June with "Women's Montreat" in the memo line. The house has beds for up to 18 people. Currently, **11** beds have been reserved. Please register on the Montreat website and remember to register for the Commuter Package (\$237)! The price increases starting at the end of June.

If you have questions then please contact Cindy at 706-577-1743

Sunday School News: We need a Second Adult in the preschool class for 2019-20. If you are interested in serving as a second adult, please contact Jenn Walter, at 513-593-4883.

Fun Family Fellowship: Join OPC for Fun Family Fellowship (FX3) events during the summer months. Our first gathering will be on Sunday, June 30th to the new Oxford Aquatics Center. An informal, fun time hanging out at the pool.

Meet at the entrance of the pool at 1:00 p.m. Directions and Cost: <https://opr.recdesk.com/Community/Facility/Detail?facilityId=17>. For more information contact Leanne Staley at 513-649-0291 or email LeanneStaley1@gmail.com. Everyone is welcome!

Summer Family Movie Night! Join us for a screening of Disney and Pixar's "Coco" for children and family of all ages at the Seminary Building on Saturday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m. (hosted by MEF). **Admission is free**, and popcorn will be provided.

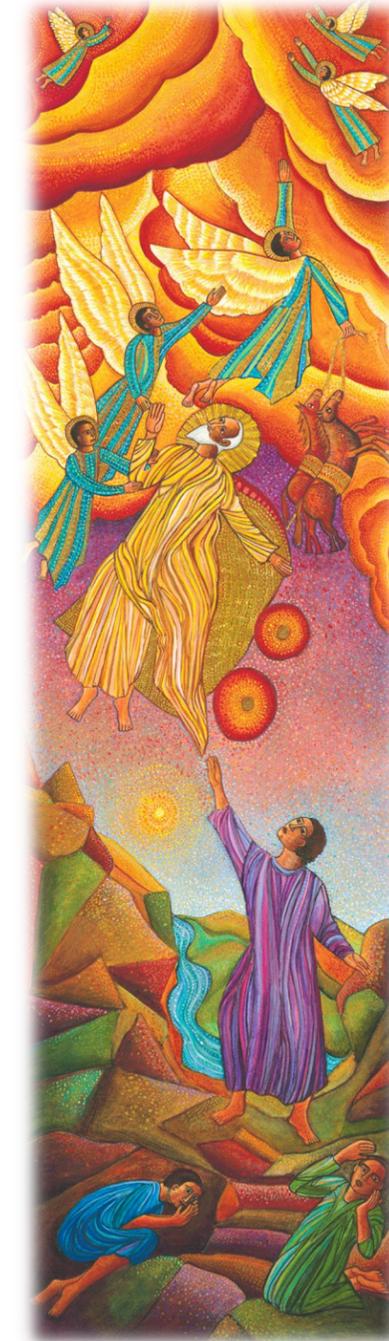
Summertime, Baseball and the Body of Christ: OPC will once again join Holy Trinity Episcopal Church and Faith Lutheran at the Great American Ball Park on Sunday, July 21 to cheer on the Cincinnati Reds as the hometown team faces the St. Louis Cardinals. Forty seats in section 416 (rows Q & R) have been reserved for our congregations as well as 14 accessibility spaces behind those rows if needed. Invite your family, friends and neighbors! Tickets cost \$22 each and checks can be made payable to Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.

We may always add more to the reservation if we exceed the original allotment. Contact the OPC office for your ticket by email (office@oxfordpresbychurch.org) or call 513.523.6364.

Mission and Outreach - TOPSS Workdays: Hurry. Space is limited for this special opportunity. Sign up now so you don't miss out. As an OPCer, YOU have the chance to help make a difference. There are two special Saturdays, July 13 and July 27, to join in. On these days, just 12 people each day will help at TOPSS (the old name: Oxford Community Choice Pantry) at the current location, by *cleaning, stacking, shelving, organizing, contributing and learning*. We will work from 10 to noon, and then join in fellowship with BYOBBL (bring your own brown bag lunch). Dessert provided!! To claim YOUR space, contact Anne Bailey ASAP (email: baileyae@miamioh.edu or phone 523-1034). Meet your fellow helpers at 400 West Withrow. See YOU there!

OPC Relay for Life - Thank You! "Our team raised over \$8,000 and the Oxford relay raised over \$50,000. Thank you so much to all of our church heroes who donated to our efforts. We were a strong team with 16 members, and over 40 Presbyterians spent time at the Relay and supported us by showing up last Saturday to cheer us.

Oxford Presbyterian Church
for a full ministry calendar, please visit:
<https://oxfordpresbychurch.org/calendar/>
Lawrence Bartel, Pastor
Marcel van Bulck, Associate Pastor



Third Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday
June 30, 2019



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