
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 stand in body or in spirit**

Liturgist: Kim Logsdon

(Image on cover: The Judean wilderness from the Jordan River
valley. Photo by Amir Zahoor on the 2018 Mosaic of Peace.)

CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MINSITRY – Montreat Women's Conference

PRELUDE

"We Sing to You, O God"
setting, J. Bert Carlson

CHORAL INTROIT

"Sing a joyful Song"
Stan Pethel

*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We are called to this place to find a new way:
a way of grace, hope,
faith, and life.

All: **God calls and we come.**

Come, and let go of that which is worn out:
worn out habits, worn out dogmas,
worn out resentments, and worn out burdens.
God calls and we come.

This time is blessed
and made sacred
by the Spirit who
heals us, reconnects us,
redirects us, and empowers us.
God blesses and we praise the Lord.

Come, and receive
blessing, forgiveness,
freedom, and love.
God blesses and we praise the Lord.

***HYMN** – "I Sing the Mighty Power of God" #32

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O Lord, you have fashioned and formed us in your
image, calling us by name: beloved, beloved,
beloved... (a brief silence)**

**We confess that we do not always see ourselves as
worthy of your attention and that at times we fail to
turn to you when you call us by name: beloved,
beloved, beloved... (a brief silence)**

**We ask that you pour out your love upon us, a
refreshing, cleansing snowfall calling out all that is
lustrous, is Christ in us, shining into our world.
Amen.**

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

But now thus says God who created us, who formed us.
"Do not fear for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine."
Sisters and brothers, created and formed,
redeemed and called by name:
beloved... beloved... beloved...

(singing) Jesus Loves Me!
This I know, as he loved so long ago,
Taking children on his knee, saying,
"Let them come to me."
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

(speaking) We are God's beloved,
for we see Jesus' love
reflected in ourselves and in one another.
Thanks be to God! 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

Speak with authority in our lives, Christ.

Speak to us, and to what is in us,
so that we might be whole.

Speak to us, with love,
with hope and with strength,
so that we might hear you,
and know, deep inside,
that we are your people,
and that you are our God. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

A reading from John 1:29-42

Holy wisdom, holy Word.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON – "The Lollipop Moment"

Pastor Lawrence

WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD

***HYMN** – "Will You Come and Follow Me?" (vs. 1-3) #726

***A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH** (Sections 1 & 2) pg. 37

A SERVICE OF ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

I Cor. 12: 4-7, 27

There are varieties of gifts,
but it is the same Spirit who gives them.
There are different ways of serving God,
but it is the same Lord who is served.
God works through each person in a unique way,
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.
To each is given a gift of the Spirit
to be used for the common good.
Together we are the body of Christ,
and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION & INSTALLATION Moderator

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION/INSTALLATION

Clerk

Elders: Steve Flee, Buzz Green, Nancy Moeckel,
Bill Scott, Judy Schiller, Melanie Ziegler
Deacons: Cia Beal, Chuck Crain, Debbie Davidson,
Mary Jane Roberts, Carol Schaber
Trustees: Russ Logsdon, Keith Payne

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS OF THE CANDIDATES

QUESTIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

LAYING ON OF HANDS FOR THE ORDINATION OF ELDERS & DEACONS

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (Unison)

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

**Give them 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's 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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Hush! Somebody's Callin' My Name"
traditional spiritual / arr. Brazeal Dennard

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*HYMN – "Will You Come and Follow Me?" (vs. 4-5) #726

***BLESSING**

We go now in peace,
**for Christ has called us to live in peace
among our brothers and sisters in Christ.**

We go now in courage,
**for Christ has called us from our homes
to be agents of redemption and partners in healing.**

We go now in joy and thanksgiving,
for Christ is our light!

We go now as one body,
**to love and serve God
as we love and serve the world!**

**Thanks be to God!
Alleluia! Amen.**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

"Shalom"
traditional Hebrew blessing

***POSTLUDE**

"Voices Raised to You We Offer"
arr. Jeffrey Blersch

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: Amy, Jens and Lydia Bartel

Acolyte: Eric Staley

***** **(tear here)** *****

Tear this portion of your bulletin and place in the offering plate or Administrative Assistant mailbox.

**Community Meal: OPC ~ Seminary (104 E. Church St.)
Wednesday, January 29 at 5:30 p.m.**

Call or email Bill Fisher at 524-4504 or fisherwf@miamioh.edu if you can help. Any dry goods for the dry goods pantry are also accepted.

Volunteers needed to:

Setup at 4:30 p.m. _____ Serve 5:30-6:30 p.m. _____

Clean up 6:30-7:30 p.m. _____

I can bring:

Ham (provided) Vegetable ___ Salad ___ Bread ___ Dessert ___

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

The flowers today are given with thanksgiving to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and with grateful hearts for our wonderful church family by Violet Suit and Amy McGoldrick.

Congregational Concerns: Betty Barnhart, John Curry, Bob Douglass, Nancy Gates, Genee Hesse, Chris & Hank Krueger, Ruth Miller, Jan Reinhart, Becky Rudolph, Sarah Soika, Joan Teckman, Stacey Winn, John & Jean Woodruff.

Email request to Judy Fisher, fisherrh@miamioh.edu, or email the church office, office@oxfordpresbychurch.org.

Fellowship Hour hosted by Karen Shearer on behalf of the Deacons. Please join us in the Molyneaux Lounge following worship.

MINISTRY NEWS

Congregational Meeting of OPC Immediately following worship.

Photo Craft Night at Youth Group! We will be picking out our favorite photos from the fall and creating a new youth bulletin board! Join us for dinner at 6:30 P.M. Bring a friend, and be creative!

Afternoon Circle: The Tuesday Afternoon Circle will meet on **January 21** in the Country Kitchen at The Knolls. Visitors and guests are always welcome to attend this lunch and meeting.

Seminary Cinema: Screening Event "The Farewell" - Sunday, January 26, 2020 - 4:00 p.m. Seminary Community Room (1st floor).

OPC Book Club: For the month of January, the OPC Book Club is reading *Inspired* by Rachel Held Evans which creatively retells classic Bible stories and connects them to the present day. We will meet on **Thursday, January 30** at 6:00 pm in the Molyneaux Lounge.

Honored Woman: The Honored Woman Award is given annually to more than a thousand women nationally who have willingly, joyfully, and faithfully served their church. At Oxford Presbyterian Church you may nominate a woman for this award by sending a letter of nomination to Lynn Cronk at 165 Hunter Woods Drive, Oxford, OH 45056 or lcronk@woh.rr.com. In the letter detail their work or contributions they have made with their time and talents serving Oxford Presbyterian Church. Deadline for submissions is **February 28th, 2020**. If you have questions regarding a nomination, please contact Lynn at 513-524-8574. Only nominees nominated in letters received in 2020 will be considered.

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**Oxford Presbyterian Church
for a full ministry calendar, please visit:
<https://oxfordpresbychurch.org/calendar/>
Lawrence Bartel, Pastor
Marc van Bulck, Associate Pastor
Kent Peterson, Music Director
Lynn Jacobs, Organist**

Second Sunday after Epiphany



Sunday, January 19, 2020



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