



REFORMATION OPC  
GRAND RAPIDS

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*Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe. Heb. 12:28*

THE LORD'S DAY APRIL 26, 2020

*“And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and the prayers.” (Acts 2:42)*

Meeting in the Willow Room of the Prince Conference Center  
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## Welcome to Reformation Orthodox Presbyterian Church

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Welcome to our visitors! We are glad you are with us for worship. Reformation OPC exists for the glory of God as a confessional, Presbyterian congregation. We minister to the Calvin University community, to southeast Grand Rapids, and to the ends of the earth with the assurance that God the Father communicates the benefits of redemption to his people through his Son by the ordinary means of grace, Word, sacrament, and prayer, in the power of the Holy Spirit. As a church, we seek to grow into the image of Christ, the crucified and risen Son of God, while waiting patiently for his return to set all things right in the new heavens and new earth.

We encourage people of all ages to remain in the sanctuary and worship with us. It is our intention to provide a nursery for those ages three and under as soon as we are able.

If you need pastoral counsel or would like to join ROPC, please talk to **Pastor Shane at 616.226.4646**, or contact one of the elders.

### CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Morning Worship: Each Lord's Day at 10am, Willow Room East of the Prince Conference Center.  
Evening Worship: Each Lord's Day at 5:30pm, Willow Room East of the Prince Conference Center.

#### Future Events

Pizza and Theology: We will be meeting Wednesday evenings through Zoom for the next few weeks. You can find the invitation on our Facebook page.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Our Congregation:

- pray for our congregation to grow in faith, grace, and unity.
- pray for those who have ongoing struggles with doubt, discouragement, anxiety, and in faith
- Pray for all those being affected by the corona virus. Pray for husbands who are working longer hours, pray for those who are losing work, pray for families whose dynamics have changed and can be more stressful.
- pray for our covenant members, that they would profess their faith or return if they have strayed, and for parents to raise their children with humility and wisdom in the fear and admonition of the Lord
- pray for our ministry to Calvin students on Sundays and Wednesdays, that we may boldly proclaim the Word of God to them and love them graciously
- pray for our witness to the local community that we would be salt and light
- praise that the treatments for Rachelle Bennett's mother, Marilyn Rust, who has stage four lung cancer, have really helped and she is able to be more active, also pray that she would be able to handle the side effects from the medication

### Our Presbytery:

- Westside Bible Fellowship, Grand Rapids, MI; Pastor Bruce Kuyper

Our Denomination: The Committee on Foreign Missions

Intern: Jeremy and Amy Allen at Covenant of Grace OPC, Oxnard CA.

Foreign Missionaries:

- Jim and Jenny Knox Mbale Uganda.

Community and Universal Church:

- NAPARC (North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council):  
The Heritage Reformed Congregations
- OPC Committee on Ecumenicity and Interchurch Relations: The Evangelical Presbyterian Church of Ireland
- Persecuted church: Turkey

**We Enter God's Presence through Christ's Sacrifice**

*Prelude: Prepare to enter the gracious presence of the Triune God in order to commune with him through his means of grace.*

Apostolic Greeting

Call to Worship

Psalm 66:1-4

Prayer of Invocation

Psalm of Approach: *All People that on Earth Do Dwell*

TPH 100B

The Law of God

Exodus 20

**Minister:** Hear now the commandments of our God, that we might walk according to the calling by which we have been called. For we have been called to put to death what is earthly in us, sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire and covetousness which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. Put away all anger, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices. And put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge, after the image of its creator.

**Minister:** People of God, have we fully obeyed the Lord in all that he has commanded?

People: No, but we have sinned against him in thought, word and deed.

**Minister:** Then let us confess our sins to the Lord for with him there is mercy and abundant redemption.

Unison Prayer of Confession with the Lord's Prayer

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the**

sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. We pray all this in the name of your Son who taught us to pray, saying

**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.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Ephesians 2:1-7

Gloria Patri

TPH 572

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen, Amen.*

### **We Hear God's Word**

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Reading

Acts 3

Hymn of Response: *We Praise You Oh God, Our Redeemer* TPH 247

Sermon Text

Exodus 14:1-14

Sermon Title

Standing Silent

## **We Respond with Our Prayers and Praises**

Congregational Prayer concluded together with the words:

*People: Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord.  
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.*

- \* Offering 2 Corinthians 8:9
- \*Nicene Creed TPH 852
- Closing Hymn: *Wholehearted Thanksgiving* TPH 9B
- Benediction
- Doxology: *Now Thank We All Our God* TPH 181
- \*Please remember that you can contribute your tithes and offerings on our website at [reformationgr.org](http://reformationgr.org)

EVENING WORSHIP

Apostolic Greeting

Call to Worship

Hebrews 10:19-23

Prayer of Invocation

Psalm of Praise: *The Lord's My Shepherd*

TPH 23A

Apostles' Creed

TPH 851

Doxology

TPH 567

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts:  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost! Amen.*

Responsive Reading (Westminster Larger Catechism)

Q&A 79

*Q. Can true believers be infallibly assured that they are in the estate of grace, and that they shall persevere therein unto salvation?*

**Such as truly believe in Christ, and endeavor to walk in all good conscience before him, may, without extraordinary revelation, by faith grounded upon the truth of God's promises, and by the Spirit enabling them to discern in themselves those graces to which the promises of life are made, and bearing witness with their spirits that they are the children of God, be infallibly assured that they are in the estate of grace, and shall persevere therein unto salvation.**

Psalm of Praise: *It Is Good to Sing Your Praises*

TPH 92B

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Leviticus 13

Hymn of Praise: *Oh God, We Praise Thee*

TPH 210

Sermon Text

Galatians 5:1-5

Sermon Title

By Works or By Faith?

Congregational Prayer

Offering

Closing Psalm: *Great Is the Lord Our God*

TPH 48A

Benediction

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