



REFORMATION OPC
GRAND RAPIDS

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

THE LORD'S DAY APRIL 12, 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
on the campus of Calvin University
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Welcome to Reformation Orthodox Presbyterian Church

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:

- Reformation OPC, Grand Rapids, MI; Pastor Shane Bennett and Rachelle

Our Denomination: The Committee on Christian Education Year-long intern: Peter and Anna Kling, at Prescott OPC, AZ.

Foreign Missionaries:

- Ben and Heather Hopp, Haiti.

Community and Universal Church:

- NAPARC (North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council): The Free Reformed Churches of North America
- OPC Committee on Ecumenicity and Interchurch Relations: The Christian Reformed Churches in the Netherlands
- Persecuted church: Eritrea

MORNING WORSHIP

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

Romans 6:8
Romans 14:9
1 Peter 1:3
John 10:10

Prayer of Invocation

Psalm of Approach: *All People that on Earth Do Dwell* TPH 100B

The Law of God

Matthew 22:36-39

Minister: Hear now the commandments of your God, which he has commanded you to keep saying, I am the Lord your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. You shall have no other Gods before me. You shall not make for yourself a carved image. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. Honor your father and mother. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house, nor your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant or female servant, or anything that is your neighbors.

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

Psalm 103:8-14

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 1

Hymn of Response: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

TPH 338

Sermon Text

Ecclesiastes 9:1-12

Sermon Title

Death Comes for All

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 9:6-7

*Nicene Creed TPH 852

Closing Hymn: *And Can it Be* TPH 431

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

EVENING WORSHIP

Apostolic Greeting

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

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 78

Q. 78. Whence ariseth the imperfection of sanctification in believers?

The imperfection of sanctification in believers ariseth from the remnants of sin abiding in every part of them, and the perpetual lustings of the flesh against the spirit; whereby they are often foiled with temptations, and fall into many sins, are hindered in all their spiritual services, and their best works are imperfect and defiled in the sight of God.

Psalm of Praise: *O LORD, You Are the Righteous One*
119R

TPH

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Leviticus 11

Hymn of Praise: *There is a Fountain filled with Blood*

TPH 340

Sermon Text

Acts 21.37-22.11

Sermon Title

‘Who are you, Lord?’

Congregational Prayer

Offering

*Closing Psalm: *Great Is the Lord Our God*

TPH 48A

*Benedictory Prayer

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