



REFORMATION OPC
GRAND RAPIDS

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

THE LORD'S DAY AUGUST 11, 2019

“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 College 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 true 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. We also are firmly committed to celebrating the Lord's Supper weekly. These goals will be met in time as the Lord enables us.

If you need pastoral counsel or would like to join ROPC, please talk to Mr. Noe.

Calendar and Announcements

Morning study, prayer, and song: Each Lord's day at 10 am, Willow Room East of the Prince Conference Center.

Evening Worship: Each Lord's day at 4.30 pm, Willow Room East of the Prince Conference Center.

Future Events

Fellowship Meal: First Sunday of each month. Next meal: **Sunday, September 8** at the Noe home, 3033 Vassar Ave SE Grand Rapids, MI 49506

Calvin Univ. Church: Wed., September 4; See Tara Noe or Tyler Info. Fair Gaastra for details.

Pizza and Theology: Will resume Wednesday evening September 11, God willing.

Prayer Requests

Praying for 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 struggles in faith
- pray for our covenant children, that we would have the wisdom and humility to raise them 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 those in our congregation seeking work
- pray for Gary and Debby Mason's ailing mother MaeAlice Lambert
- pray for Mollie Halbergh, Freddie Noe, and others as they start college this fall and resume school soon

Our Presbytery: Covenant Presbyterian OPC, Brighton, MI
Pastor Douglas Doll (Belinda)

Our Denomination: Committee for the Historian

Church Plants: Grace and Truth OPC, Mifflintown, PA; Ron Beabout (Carol)

Foreign Missionaries: Dr. Flip & Anneloes Baardman, Nakaale, Uganda

Community and Universal Church:

- NAPARC (North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council):
Presbyterian Church in America
- OPC Committee on Ecumenicity and Interchurch Relations:
Christian Reformed Churches of Australia (in corresponding relationship)
- Persecuted Church: Kebbi State, Nigeria

| Financial Info. | Income (actual) | Expenses (actual) | Expenses (budgeted) |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| July 2019 | \$4,108.00 | \$2,687.16 | \$3,438.50 |
| Acct. balance as of July 31 | \$57,205.20 | | |

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

*Prayer of Invocation

*Psalm of Approach *Now unto the LORD, All You Sons of the Mighty TPH29A*

* The Law of God (adapted from Ephesians 5.1-5)

What does it mean to be imitators of God, as beloved children?

We are to walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

What must not even be named among us?

Sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness. There must be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place.

What must there be instead?

Instead let there be thanksgiving.

What does the Scriptures say we may be sure of?

We may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

* Prayer of Confession with the Lord's Prayer

O most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ;
according to your steadfast love;
according to your tender mercies,
blot out our iniquity.
Create in us a clean heart, O God;
and renew a right spirit within us.

Cast us not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore unto us the joy of your salvation,
for we ask these things in the name of Jesus, our Savior,
who taught us to pray,

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

*Gloria Patri *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. TPH572*

We Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Genesis 29

Psalm of Response *The Lord's My Shepherd* TPH23B

New Testament Reading Luke 12

Sermon Text: Hebrews 12.1-3

Sermon Title: Run with Endurance

Outline

Introduction: Four Principles to help us run the Christian race with endurance.

1. Others have run with endurance, and so can you.

2. You must never give up.

3. Do not let anything hinder you from running.

4. Watch how others run.

Conclusion

We Respond with Our Prayers and Praises

Congregational Prayer

Response Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord.
 Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.
 TPH 558

Offering

We Partake of the Covenant Meal

*Hymn of *Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face* TPH202
Preparation

*Nicene Creed TPH852

Lord's Supper

Institution

Exhortation

Pastor The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Pastor Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Pastor prays It is indeed right and a good and joyful thing ...

Pastor *Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels
and archangels, and with all the company of heaven,
who forever proclaim the glory of your name, saying:*

People Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the
 highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Distribution and reception of elements

