



REFORMATION OPC
GRAND RAPIDS

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

THE LORD'S DAY AUGUST 18, 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
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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: Info. Fair **Wed., September 4; See Tara Noe or Tyler 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 Mollie Halbergh, Freddie Noe, and others as they start college this fall and resume school soon

Our Presbytery: Chain-O-Lakes OPC, Central Lake, MI; Pastor Bruce Buchanan (Donna)

Our Denomination: Committee on Coordination

Church Plants: Clarkston, GA; Rev. Chris Cashen (Grace Ann)

Foreign Missionaries: David & Rashel Robbins, Nakaale, Uganda

Community and Universal Church:

- NAPARC (North American Presbyterian and Reformed Council): Presbyterian Reformed Church
- OPC Committee on Ecumenicity and Interchurch Relations: Evangelical Presbyterian Church in England and Wales
- Persecuted Church: Pakistan

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.

*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 Matthew 22)

Which is the great commandment in the Law?

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.

Which is the second that is like it?

You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

On what do all the Law and the Prophets depend?

On these two commandments.

* 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 30

Psalm of Response

O My People, Hear my Teaching
TPH78, 1-7

New Testament Reading

Luke 13

Sermon Text:

Acts 20.36-21.6

Sermon Title:

Much Weeping and Sorrow

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

*Apostles' Creed TPH851

*Closing *Lord, With Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee* TPH238
Hymn

*Benedictory Prayer

*Doxology *O Clap Your Hands* TPH47A

* indicates that those who are able should please stand.

David C. Noe, a licentiate in the Presbytery of Michigan and Ontario, is leading the service and preaching God's Word today.

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