



REFORMATION OPC
GRAND RAPIDS

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

THE LORD'S DAY OCTOBER 18, 2020
10:00am & 5:30pm

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

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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. There is a nursery space outside the doors to the left of the sanctuary for saints ages three and under. Due to Covid-19, we have no nursery workers but wish to make the space available to parents.

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

Note: Wine is served for the Lord's Supper. The inner ring of cups contains grape juice. Gluten free crackers are in the inner ring of the bread trays.

CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Inquirer's class	Each Sunday after morning worship. Please speak to Pastor Shane if you are interested in attending.
Dinner & Theology <i>October 14</i>	Our Wednesday evening Bible study continues at 2565 Forest Hill Ave from 6:00-8:00pm.
Women's Book Study <i>October 22</i>	7pm at the Noe home (via Zoom also available); contact Tara, tarajnoe@gmail.com.
Fellowship Meal <i>November 1</i>	First Sunday of each month at noon, followed by afternoon service at 2pm. Due to COVID, please bring lunch for your family and packaged items to share with visitors.
Missionary Visit <i>November 10</i>	The Robbins family, an OPC missionary family in Uganda, will be visiting Reformation.
Session Meeting <i>November 17</i>	6:30pm at 2565 Forest Hill Ave. Meetings are open to all (except for disciplinary matters).

PRAYER REQUESTS

Our Congregation:

- for our congregation to grow in faith, grace, and unity.
- for those who have ongoing struggles with doubt, discouragement, anxiety, and in faith
- 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
- for those who have lost jobs and those who are seeking new employment
- rejoice with Josh and Lindsey Ng in Lindsey's new job
- for the Gaastras as they get settled in their new home
- for the Martins as they seek to sell their home in Colorado
- for Rachelle Bennett's mother, Marilyn Rust, who has been put on hospice care and is at end-of life. Pray for Rachelle as she cares for her
- for Lucius Noe who broke his ankle and has several weeks of convalescence ahead

Our Presbytery:

- Spencer Mills OPC, Gowen, MI; Pastor Alan Flowers (Lisa).

Our Denomination:

- The Committee on Home Missions.
- Joseph (Annie) Pollard at Calvin Presbyterian in Phoenix, AZ.

Home Missions:

- Gregory and Ginger O'Brien, Downingtown, Pa. Pray for new members to be added to Christ's church.

Foreign Missionaries:

- Ben and Heather Hopp, Haiti, as the homeschooling year begins, and for the re-opening of Haitian schools.

Community and Universal Church:

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

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

Psalm 67:1-7

*Prayer of Invocation

*Psalm of Approach: *I Love the Lord*

TPH 116A (1-4)

*The Law of God

Exodus 20

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.

People: You shall not make for yourself a carved image.

Minister: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

People: Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy.

Minister: Honor your father and mother.

People: You shall not murder.

Minister: You shall not commit adultery.

People: You shall not steal.

Minister: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

People: 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: 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 the one 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

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

*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 28

Hymn of Response: *Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment* TPH 255

Sermon Text

Exodus 20:14

Sermon: Dangers and Delights

Rev. Shane Bennett

We Respond with Our Prayers and Praises

Congregational Prayer

Response

TPH 558

*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

We Partake of the Covenant Meal

*Hymn of Preparation: *Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed*

TPH 341

*Apostles' Creed

TPH 851

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 ... 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

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

Merciful God and Father, we thank you that in your boundless mercy you have given us your only-begotten Son as our Mediator. We praise you that he is the sacrifice for our sins and that through him you have drawn us into fellowship with you and with one another.

And now we ask that we, being strengthened in faith through this sacrament, might bring forth the fruit of thankfulness in our whole life, until that glorious day, promised by our Lord Jesus Christ, when we will drink of the fruit of the vine in the kingdom of his Father, to whom be all glory, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

*Closing Hymn: *I Love the Lord*

TPH 116A (5-8)

*Benediction

*Doxology: *Song of Simeon*

TPH 295

*Now may your servant Lord, according to your Word,
depart in exaltation. My peace shall be serene,
for now my eyes have seen your wonderful salvation.*

*O Lord, you did prepare for people everywhere
A Light for revelation, and radiant glory shall
the gloom of death dispel for Israel, your nation.*

EVENING WORSHIP

- *Apostolic Greeting
- *Call to Worship Colossians 3:1-4
- *Prayer of Invocation
- *Psalm of Praise: *The Lord Is My Refuge* TPH 11B
- *Nicene Creed TPH 852
- *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 116

What is required in the fourth commandment?

The fourth commandment requireth of all men the sanctifying or keeping holy to God such set times as he hath appointed in his word, expressly one whole day in seven; which was the seventh from the beginning of the world to the resurrection of Christ, and the first day of the week ever since, and so to continue to the end of the world; which is the Christian Sabbath, and in the New Testament called The Lord's Day.

- *Hymn of Praise: *From the Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee* TPH 502

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading Numbers 11

Hymn of Praise: *Be Still My Soul* TPH 532

Sermon Text

Mark 2.1-12

Sermon: That You May Know

Rev. David Noe

Congregational Prayer

Offering

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

*Closing Psalm: *Preserve Me, O My God*

TPH 16A

*Benediction

** indicates that those who are able should please stand*

Morning Sermon Notes

Evening Sermon Notes

- I. Preaching the Word (vv. 1-2)

- II. Faith and forgiveness of sins (vv. 3-5)

- III. Blaspheming? (vv. 6-7)

- IV. Searching hearts and a miracle (vv. 8-11)
 - A. divine knowledge

 - B. comparative difficulty

 - C. the authoritative Son of Man

- V. Faith and Glory

Conclusion

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Tithes and Offerings

	September	Year-to-Date
Giving	\$4,530.10	\$53,617.73
CHMCE	\$2,775.00	\$26,775.00
Goal	\$11,605.17	\$104,445
Over/(Under)	(\$4,300)	(\$23,852.27)
Expenses	\$10,271.16	\$85,660.91