



The Oracle

Ogden Presbyterian Church
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Dear Friends,

How is character formed?

How do we develop behaviors that others come to label "typical?"

Children, I believe, learn best by example. The most important example is set by parents. Let them see you worship regularly, they learn regular worship is important. Let other activities take you away from worship, they learn other activities are more important.

Let them see you give, they learn giving is important. Let them see you serve, they learn serving is important. And so on... Character is formed and behaviors are developed.

It's not just parents from whom children learn. They learn from all of us. That's why at every baptism we are asked, "Do we the members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture ...(insert name)... by word and deed with love and prayer, encouraging him/her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of his/her church? Do we?"

We speak the answer and then we have to show that we mean it by helping out in the nursery room or with the Sunday morning child activities or in church school or with youth groups. Children learn by example. I'm not sure I like what they learn when we have unfilled openings in our ministry to children and youth. It takes a whole church to raise a child, to nurture his/her character, to develop his/her behavior.

It is certainly a blessing . . . and a challenge. For all of us. As someone has said. "The Christian church is always just one generation from extinction." If our children don't have faith, it's all over for the church. What we do, what we say, how we live. . . it matters a lot. Children are watching, learning.

May God help us to teach the right lessons.

Thanks be to God!

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OPC Worship Schedule for July

July 6: 14th Sunday Ordinary Time

Holy Communion Celebration

John 3:16 Luke 21:1-4

“The Widow’s Offering”

July 13: 15th Sunday Ordinary Time

Vacation Bible School Worship

Service at the First Congregational Church in Spencerport.

July 20: 16th Sunday Ordinary Time

Luke 12:13-21

“It Could Be Worse”

July 27: 17th Sunday Ordinary Time

Psalm 128 Matthew 13: 31-33

Canal Days Ecumenical Worship Service with Touch of Brass

Youth Mission Trip’s Report

Please Note: Worship Services will be held at 10:00 am throughout the summer.

Mark Your Calendar

“SNL”

Sunday Night Live
will be back on
September 21st

5:30 - 6:30 pm Dinner
6:30 - 7:30 pm Worship service

July Worship Reminder

July 13th Worship Service

The Vacation Bible School worship service will be held at the White Church on July 13th. There will not be a worship service at OPC on that day, as we will be joining the White Church for the VBS service.

July 27th Worship Service

The Canal Days Ecumenical Worship Service will be held here at OPC.

Treasurer’s Report

As you enjoy the summer remember to keep up with your giving. Our bills, as yours, don’t take a vacation. Consider mailing your offering, c/o treasurer to the church office. Some have started paying with Internet Payment accounts. Use your envelope number for the account number for Internet Payment.

Giving Progress

Pledged through June 22, 2008	\$65,385
Received against above	\$64,675
BEHIND	\$ 710

<i>Per Capita requirement for 2008</i>	<i>\$6,645</i>
<i>Per Capita received through June 15</i>	<i>\$2,337</i>

Coffee Hours for July/August



Due to lower attendance in the summer and the difficulty in getting people to volunteer, we will not have a coffee hour after worship service on the Sundays when nobody has signed up for that day.

Thank you to those who have signed up for July and August. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Carol Quinn

Free Piano

Upright piano with nice sound is free to any person, church or organization. Contact Debra Glor.

Do We Really Have to Say GOOD-BY?

It'll be tough, but together, we can share the sorrow as well as celebrate the joy of the Mason family's dedication and time that the 5 1/2 of them have selflessly shared with us over the years, in the celebration of our Lord.

A farewell party will be held Saturday, August 2nd at the Mary Saurini estate located in Spencerport. Festivities are scheduled to begin at 5:00 pm. Hots, hamburgers and sausage will be provided. A sign up sheet will be provided in the fellowship hall at the easel for all other condiments. Please bring your own chair, place setting, beverage and marshmallows sticks. We are encouraging you to bring your talent in any form i.e. a skit, a song, a joke, a poem, a game, a limerick, a dance, a memory, a shared experience. We want it to be memorable and fun! So be sure and put it on your calendar.

A coordinated effort from your Deacons and Fellowship Committee

Can You Help?

For the past five months we have been using a borrowed projector from the Presbytery office for our Sunday Night Live service and once for our regular worship service. Many of you were present for Linda Badger-Becker's service using a media presentation along with our regular worship service and found it a pleasant addition to worship and a good way to get our "faces" out of our hymnal and bulletin when we worship our God. We are seeing the need for a projector in several other ways, including presentations from our youth (a report on triennium or the mission trip - or whatever the kids are doing), Christmas pageant enhancement, special DVD's, choral presentations, visual aids during the service (prayer requests that you can't hear, Bible passages that you can't find in time to read them, sermon points that need to stick with you, etc.).

We would like to take this opportunity to allow folks from the congregation to **help purchase a projector** which will not need a screen, but will project in any light situation on the wall above either doorway. We have tested one out with the proper lens that would allow us to do this, and the best price is \$1,999. We have no money in our budget for this at the present time, and are about to start a fundraising program, but would like to know if members would be willing to just "pitch in' and hopefully not have to launch an actual campaign. If you are one of those members, please either mail your donation to the church office c/o Harry Pittman, or put it in an envelope in the offering plate.

At present, we will be using somebody's laptop along with the projector, but in the future we hope to also purchase a church owned laptop and also make improvements to our aging sound system. We plan to write a grant for these items and use some of the funds that our Presbytery has available for outreach projects.

Thank you in advance, your Worship Committee

OPC Floors to be Cleaned

July 20 (noon) through July 22, the OPC floors will be waxed.

August 17 (noon) through August 19, the OPC carpets will be cleaned.

Please plan accordingly as there will be no access to these areas at these times.

Youth Sunday at OPC



News from PW

Thanks to all for your participation in making this years Rummage Sale a success. A profit of \$1,650 was realized. PW has approved that all funds be utilized and proceeds used to fund the Trustee's project of having the fellowship hall/kitchen floors stripped/waxed; sanctuary carpets cleaned, classroom & hall carpets cleaned. Again, this would not be possible without such events as the Rummage Sale.

PW was also pleased to be able to support our youth mission outing to Newark, NY and contributed \$500 for their expenses.

PW will be collecting school supplies for Cameron Community Ministries through August 10. There is a box on the gray table in the fellowship "fat" hall. Noted items needed: Pencils, Crayons (Crayola -24 ct pkg), Washable Markers, Erasers, Rulers, Scissors (Fiskars Brand), Colored Pocket Folders, Composition Books, Glue Sticks. (Questions - contact Judy Rynne).

We look forward to the Harvest Festival on October 18. This year will mark our 100th HARVEST FESTIVAL event! Plans are already in the works for this great event!

Session Highlights - June 2008

- ~ Approval of Building use for Lauren Skirment's wedding on Aug 2nd 2008
- ~ Approval of Building use to Amadeus Choral group from Sept 08 – June 09.
- ~ Approval for the Mission's Committee to have a Fund Raiser on September 6th, a Pig Roast with Entertainment and games at the Church from 4-7 PM.

Web-Site News

If you haven't done so lately, take time to visit the OPC web-site (ogdenpresbyterian.org) to look at several new features that have been added. Session minutes are available under the "Session" tab. Check out the Sunday Night Live photos too. Old Oracles are also available for viewing. We hope to add more features over the summer.

Trustees of the Month: July - Glenn Ewell, August - Al Webster

One trustee is assigned per month to take care of any building issues that may arise. A list of the assigned "Trustee of the Month" can now be found on the office window. Please call the designated Trustee if you have something that needs to be addressed. Thank You!

Summer SS

The kids need volunteers to support our Sunday School program from June 29th through August 24th. Please consider spending time with them in this rewarding experience. A step-by-step curriculum will be provided. Several dates are still open. Please sign up on the CE bulletin board.

Blessings, CE Committee

Thank You

*To my wonderful friends
at OPC.
How can I say thanks to
all who sent cards and
greetings. . . I am sure all
these expressions of
concern helped my quick
recovery. There's no place
like our OPC.*

*Sincerely,
MaryLou Maynard*

News Flash!



Save the Date!

Saturday, September 6, 2008
4:00 - 7:00 pm
Old Fashioned Pig Roast
Music by Johnny Bauer

To benefit the Aurora House Hospice
To be held on OPC lawn.
Watch for further information.

Mark Your Calendar!

Jr. and Sr. Youth Evening

Sunday September 14, 2008
at 6:30 pm

We will watch Randy Pausch: The Last Lecture
"Achieving Childhood Dreams" (Journey series video).
Parents are welcome!

Pancake Breakfasts

Saturday, **July 19**, 2008
Saturday, **August 16**, 2008
Ogden Presbyterian Church
8am-11am
Adults \$4.00
Children under 8, \$2.00
Gift Certificates available



Congratulations 2008 Graduates!

Emma Savino graduated from the Ogden Community Center Pre-School and will be attending Kindergarten at Terry Taylor in September!

Timothy Kimble 'graduated' from Gates-Chili Cooperative Nursery School, and will be attending kindergarten at Churchville Elementary in the Fall.

Beth Resch graduated this year.

HIGH SCHOOL

Kristen Dupree graduating from Spencerport HS and will attend Roberts Wesleyan College studying Elementary Education.

Brittnay Metz graduating from Spencerport and continuing studies in Cosmetology.

Jenna Goehle graduates from Spencerport and will attend the University of Buffalo to study nursing.

Elyse Hoffer graduates from Spencerport and will attend the University of Buffalo to study nursing.

Jeremy Jobs graduates from Hilton and will attend RIT to study Mechanical Engineering.

Kaitlin Anderson graduates from Spencerport. Attending St. John Fisher College for a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management.

Brittany Sheffet graduates from Spencerport. She will be attending the University of Indianapolis studying Business and playing on the Woman's soccer team.

COLLEGE

Heather Cassidy graduated Magna Cum Laude from Roberts Wesleyan College on Saturday, May 17th. She received a B.S. degree in Visual Art Education, K-12. She plans to continue on and get her Masters degree, and is still in the process of choosing a college.

Heather Mulford graduated from SUNY Brockport; received a B.S. degree in Chemistry with the American Chemical Society Certification. She is looking for a job for a couple of years, then she will return for a PhD in either Organic or Medicinal Chemistry.

Kelly Smith (Eileen Smith's Daughter) Graduated with a Masters in Childhood Literacy. She currently teaches 2nd grade at Munn Elementary School.

Tracy Webster graduated with her Bachelor's Degree in Education from SUNY at Geneseo and will be doing her student teaching in the Fall.



Some of our
OPC
Graduates
enjoying
fellowship
after the
worship
service on
Graduate
Sunday, June
15, 2008



From the DEACONS ...

Prayers and Concerns
Ephesians 6:18 –“ We pray for one another..”

TO BE REMEMBERED
WITH CARDS AND PRAYERS:

If you would like a request placed on the prayer chain or in the Oracle please contact:

Mary Saurini - 349-4343
Dan Proper - 329-9107

It is important that the person mentioned give permission for the information to be shared.

In need of Prayers:

Scott Anderson
Art Donner
Heather Jeffery
Tim Quinn
Ginny Hartman
Don Voorhees

Pray for those in Care Facilities:

Nita Ashman
Jane Schenk

Congratulations to:

Ronald and Debra Glor on the birth of their new grandson, Grant Allen Glor, born on June 3, 2008 to Paul and Elissa Glor.

The work of the board of deacons is supported by your contributions to the *deacon offering* which is taken on *Communion Sunday*. *Green colored offering envelopes are now available in the pews for this collection.*

Dear OPC Friends,

During the days of our grieving in the passing of my mother, Jeanette Knop, you reached out and comforted us. Whether it was a card, a phone call, a prayer, a hug or baked goodies, our family appreciated your thoughtfulness. Thank you so much for being there in the time of need.

Jan and Don Fraina



Our Members
in the Service

The Deacons would like to acknowledge those of our church family who are currently serving in the United States Military. We will list these each month in our Oracle and encourage the congregation to remember these people and pray for them in honor of their service to our country. We would appreciate the names and addresses from the family members of our service men and women.

They may be called to:

Mary Saurini - 349-4343
Dan Proper - 279-9691

Lieutenant Eric Hahn, USN
5982 Sitgreaves
Ft. Belvoir, VA 22060

Sgt. Suzanne Hicks
(moved to Fort Drum, no address currently available)

RP3 Paul and Caitlin Meabon
NSA Chapel
PSC 808 Box 54
FPO AE 09618-0054

SPC Sean Mulford
3828#B Buena Vista
Ft. Irwin, CA 92310

PV2 Gary Mulford
9045 Gunston Rd
PO Box C4
Fort Belvoir VA 22060

IC1(SW/AW) Christopher King (Hutchison Grandson)
IC01 WCS/ SITE Tech.
USS McCampbell DDG-85
FPO, AP 96672-1275

July 2008

Sun **Mon** **Tue** **Wed** **Thu** **Fri** **Sat**

		1	2	3	4	5
	Sunday worship is at 10:00 am		Youth Mission Trip 5:30-8 pm TOPS		2-5p Friday Rehearsal dinner	
6	Worship 10 am	8	9	10	11	12
			Vacation Bible School			
	6:30p Fellowship		5:30-8 pm TOPS			
13	Worship 10 am VBS Worship at White Church. No service at OPC.	15	16	17	18	19
			5:30-8 pm TOPS		Set up for Breakfast	8-11 Pancake Breakfast
20	Worship 10 am	22	23	24	25	26
		OPC floors to be Waxed	5:30-8 pm TOPS			
27	Worship 10 am Canal Days - Ecumenical Worship at OPC with Touch of Brass	29	30	31		
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Worship and Fellowship Assistants

GREETERS:

Aug 3 DuWayne & Barb Paulick
10 Ann Metz & Ruth Statt
17 Joanne Ville & Evelyn Bentley
24 Pat and Bill Everett
31 Betty Parker

USHERS:

Aug 3 Betsy Hoffer & John Goehle
10 Marlene Dyer
17 Carol & Nicole Quinn
24 Rick & Eileen Smith
31 Marlene Dyer & Pat Hutchison

LITURGIST:

Aug 3 Nancy Holley
10 Dawn Hoadley
17 Dan Proper
24 Glenn Ewell
31 Donna Gruendike

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS:

Aug 3 TBD
10 TBD
17 TBD
24 TBD
31 TBD

COMMUNION SERVERS:

August 3 Betsy Hoffer-Goehle, Pat Hutchison, DuWayne Paulick, Dan Proper



BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

Take the time to say a prayer and send a greeting to your birthday friends in our OPC family.

Name	Birthday
Susan Allen	8 / 3
Carol Ann Pittman	8 / 4
John Goehle	8 / 5
Stuart Allen	8 / 5
Jane Schenk	8 / 6
Gloria Dennis	8 / 7
James Frieday	8 / 9
Douglas Dupree	8 / 9
Betty Parker	8 / 9
Lucille Schmitt	8 / 10
Cheryl Palmer	8 / 13
Robert Schenk	8 / 13
Rudy Reiber	8 / 14
Dennis Dupree	8 / 14
Dick Malloy	8 / 15
Thomas Allen	8 / 15
Jean Schult	8 / 17
Brittnay Metz	8 / 17
Nancy Fox	8 / 17
Jacob Barklund	8 / 18
Dan Metherell	8 / 18
David Pittman	8 / 20
Julia Pittman	8 / 20
Donald Lodge	8 / 23
Shauna McNulty	8 / 23
Eileen Smith	8 / 23
Melinda Daniels	8 / 25
Alexandra Mandarano	8 / 25
Connie Keir	8 / 26
Trevor Schumann	8 / 26
Kyle Daniels	8 / 26
Jacqueline Ewell	8 / 27
Patricia Sherman	8 / 28
Erna Lever	8 / 30

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<p>3 Worship 10 am</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 5:30-8 pm TOPS</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10 Worship 10 am</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 5:30-8 pm TOPS</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 3 pm Seaburn Wedding rehearsal Set up for Breakfast</p>	<p>16 8-11 Pancake Breakfast 1-5 Seaburn wedding</p>
<p>17 Worship 10 am</p> <p style="background-color: #d3d3d3; padding: 2px;">OPC Carpets to be cleaned</p>	<p>18 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 5:30-8 pm TOPS</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
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Newsletter Deadline: Articles for the September 2008 issue of The Oracle are due in the Church Office no later than Monday, August 18th, by 10:00 a.m. All contributions are subject to editing with regard to the subject matter and space requirements.

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