

## Orange Presbyterian Church

# Presbyterian Perspectives

May 2019

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## **Congregational Meeting**

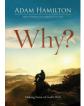
Sunday, May 5, after worship

There will be a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 5, following worship, for the purpose of receiving a report from the Pastor Nominating Committee. OPC Members, you should have received additional information regarding the meeting. Please plan to attend.



### Why? Bible/Book Discussion

Wednesday, May 1 at 5:00 pm



Our Adult Spiritual Formation Bible/Book Discussion will start on Wednesday, May 1, at 5:00 pm in the East Room! The group will continue to meet on May 8, 22, and 29 with a Potluck Dinner each week. It's not too late to join! We have a few available books and we can order more. Please contact May Saxton at saxton-family@comcast.net or at 661-7694 for more information.

# What's Next in the Orange Presbyterian Weekday School?

The Orange Presbyterian Weekday School celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> year of service on Sunday, April 14, with families and friends from many years. It was a wonderful time to see everyone, have time to enjoy the memories, and talk with past teachers.



The 2018-2019 school year will come to an end on Wednesday, May 22 at 6:00 pm. Thank you for your continued prayers and support for our families, teachers, and board. We will say goodbye to Mrs. Ski and Mrs. Bodendorf, as they begin their next chapter of rest and retirement.

We are now getting ready for our next 40 years. The board is currently interviewing applicants for a new director and teaching staff and they look forward to announcing them very soon. Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year is open and ready for new 3 and 4 year-olds. If you know a family that is interested in attending our weekday school, please have them contact Melanie at the church office. We would like to have all class lists complete by July 1. Thanks for your continued prayers and support for our families and teachers.

### **Preschool 40th Anniversary Celebration**

Our 40th Anniversary Celebration for the Orange Presbyterian Weekday School was a wonderful time for all who attended. We shared memories with old friends, saw some much older former students, and enjoyed some delicious snacks!

Photos by Capturing Joy



















#### **Preschool Corner**

April, another short month due to our Spring Break, but filled to the brim with activities nonetheless.

Both classes made multiple crafts for Easter and had a wonderful time hunting for eggs on our playground. What a treat to hunt in our own back yard!

The older children celebrated Earth Day with lots of recycling crafts and finished the month with whole name and letter practice. We also made two trips to the library this month! Music has been a part of each day, as we practice for graduation.

The younger class learned about caterpillars, butterflies, and ladybugs. Our favorite activity was meeting Hershey's Kisses and painting bunnies.

For both groups, enjoying the Spring weather on the playground has been a welcome treat.

A huge thank you to Ellen Kendall, and to all who helped her, for arranging the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the preschool.

Mrs. Ski



# May 2019

| Sunday   | Sunday Monday                       |  | Tuesday Wednesday   |                    | Friday                           | Saturday   |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Indicates<br>Birthday                                  |                                     |  | 1 2 Dean Sherwin 1:30 Blood Drive  5:00 Why? Study 6:15 Bell Choir 7:30 Adult Choir 7:30 Property |                    | 3                                | 4 2:00 Meet and Greet  |  |
| 5 11:00 Worship Communion 12:15 Congregational Meeting | 7:00 Spiritual Formation            | 7  | 8 Sherry Sherman 5:00 Why? Study 6:15 Bell Choir 7:00 Endowment 7:30 Adult Choir                  | 9<br>6:00 Finance  | 10                               | 11 Jennifer Ernst  |  |
| 12<br>11:00 Worship                                    | 13                                  | 14 Sydney St. Clair 11:00 Morning Circle | 6:15 Bell Choir<br>7:30 Adult Choir   | 16                 | 17 7:30 Community Chorus Concert | 9:00 Craft<br>Club<br>7:30<br>Community<br>Chorus<br>Concert |  |
| 19<br>11:00 Worship                                    | 7:00 History<br>Group               | 21 Carol Woolfrey 7:00 Session           | 5:00 Why? Study<br>6:00 Preschool<br>Graduation<br>6:15 Bell Choir<br>7:30 Adult Choir            | 23                 | 24 Suzanne Sherwin               | 25   |  |
| 26<br>11:00 Worship<br>5 Cents-a-Meal                  | 27<br>Memorial Day<br>Office Closed | 28                                       | 5:00 Why? Study<br>6:15 Bell Choir<br>7:30 Adult Choir  | 30<br>Lloyd Parcen | 31                               | 1  |  |

|    | Greeters         |    | Acolytes       | Nı | ursery Helpers |    | <b>Pray Station</b> |    | Counters         |
|----|------------------|----|----------------|----|----------------|----|---------------------|----|------------------|
| 5  | The Rose Family  | 5  | Taylor Gibson  | 5  | Ryder Rose     | 5  | No Class Today      | 5  | Connie Norberg   |
|    |                  |    |                |    | Melanie Rose   |    |                     |    | Cindy Reid       |
| 12 | Dot Marks        | 12 | Anne Clements  | 12 | Anne Clements  | 12 | May Saxton          | 12 | Dianne Haberland |
|    |                  |    |                |    | May Saxton     |    |                     |    | Ralph Graves     |
| 19 | Ralph and Carole | 19 | Nathan Norberg | 19 | Karen Ulan     | 19 | Melanie Rose        | 19 | Louise Whitaker  |
|    | Sue Graves       |    |                |    | Ryder Rose     |    |                     |    | Cheryl Lewis     |
| 26 | Lynn and Anne    | 26 | Matthew Gibson | 26 | Alice Parcell  | 26 | Rachel Gibson       | 26 | Louise Whitaker  |
|    | Clements         |    |                |    | Melanie Rose   |    |                     |    | Cheryl Lewis     |

# **Lectionary Readings for May**

These readings are from the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL) and are often the basis for the sermon and anthem. These readings are offered to help in your preparation for worship on Sunday.

While we don't necessarily have four readings on Sunday, the lectionary provides an Old Testament, Psalm, Epistle, and Gospel reading to prepare for worship.

#### May 5 Acts 9:1-20 Psalm 30 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19

#### May 12 Acts 9:36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:22-30

# May19 Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 148 Revelation 21:1-6 John 13:31-35

May 26 Acts 16:9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21:10; 21:22-22:5 John 5:1-9, 14:23-29

# **Session Meeting Highlights**

- OPC has received permission from the Presbytery of the James to call a congregational meeting for the purpose of hearing a report from the Pastor Nominating Committee. Session approved the calling of this meeting, which will be on Sunday, May 5 following worship.
- Mission and Outreach recommended that the local portion of the Pentecost Offering be directed to Michael's Gift. The motion carried.
- The proceeds of the Yard Sale and Bazaar will be divided as follows: \$1,000 to Habitat for Humanity (not including Alternative Gift proceeds for Habitat), with ½ of the remainder to be used for Orange Presbyterian Weekday School operations as needed, and the other ½ of the remainder to be given to the Christian Emergency Council (not including Alternative Gift proceeds for CEC).
- Annual staff reviews will be conducted in the near future.

• OPC Ministry Area Goals for 2019 are in the process of being compiled.

Please take a look at the bulletin board in the Narthex for the approved minutes of our 2018 and 2019 Stated Session Meetings. Direct any questions to May Saxton, Clerk of Session.

Please contact any member of session at any time with questions, concerns, and/or suggestions:

Joanna Davies, Carole Sue Graves, Ralph Graves, Ted Haberland, Amy McClung, Anne Somerville, Pat Stewart, May Saxton, Mike Saxton, Rev. Wayne Bernardo (temporary moderator)

Remember that you are always welcome to attend our open stated meetings on the third Tuesday of each month.



#### Treasurer's Report as of

| Beginning Balance     | \$<br>25,872.12 | 2 Other Contributions/Fund Balar   |                            | ces:     |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|
| Income                | \$<br>10,959.00 | 5 Cents-a-Meal                     | \$                         | 391.79   |
| Expenses              | \$<br>8,629.98  | Music Fund                         | \$                         | 684.44   |
| Transfer to OPWS Fund | \$<br>8,000.00  | Memorial Fund                      | \$                         | 55.00    |
| Ending Balance        | \$<br>20,201.14 | Mission Trip Fund                  | \$                         | 500.00   |
|                       |                 | OPC Weekday School Fund            | \$ 8,000.00<br>\$ 1,764.76 |          |
|                       |                 | PNC Fund                           |                            |          |
|                       |                 | Preschool Scholarship Fund \$ 1,14 |                            | 1,145.68 |

# **Easter Sunday at OPC**

Easter Sunday brought a beautiful service, led by the Rev. Dr. E. Richard Knox and Music Director Albert Packard. We welcomed several children and enjoyed a Coffee Fellowship featuring a lamb cake. The flowered cross was lovely. Thank you to all who helped with the service!

















### **Worship Services in May**

Below is a list of our guest pastors and service volunteers for the month of May. We will let you know by Friday of the week of services what is needed of you on Sunday.

| <u>Date</u> | Guest Pastor         | Children's Time | Lectionary Reader    | Worship Facilitator  |  |
|-------------|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| 4/7         | Rev. Wayne Bernardo  | Ellen Kendall   | Lynn Clements        | May Saxton           |  |
| 4/14        | Rev. E. Richard Knox | Ellen Kendall   | Carol Sue Graves     | Carol Sue Graves     |  |
| 4/21        | Rev. E. Richard Knox | Ellen Kendall   | Jennie Hill Robinson | Jennie Hill Robinson |  |
| 4/28        | Rev. E. Richard Knox | Rachel Gibson   | Mike Saxton          | Mike Saxton          |  |
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If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Pat Stewart or Al Packard.

#### **Easter Lilies**

#### In Honor of:

Mildred Butts by Fedie McClung



Bill Taylor by Fedie McClung
The OPC Congregation by Rich Knox and Nan
Hawkins

#### In Memory of:

Leroy Crowder by Nancy Crowder

Earle and Mamie Breeden by Pam Golas

Lewis Hutchison by Winnie Higgins

Lee and Mary Winn Brown by Winnie Higgins

Our loved ones by the Kendall family

Dwight Calhoun by Sandy McLeod

William Newman by Shirley Newman

Penn Mohrmann by Shirley Newman

Larry O. Phillips by Lavinia Phillips

Carlene and Harry Saxton by Mike and May Saxton

Etzell and Virginia Stewart by Pat Stewart

Ed Tyner by Millie Tyner

Our loved ones by Christopher, Maya, Gregory,

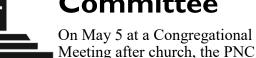
Mark, Angelique and children

## **May Concerts**

There will be two Community Chorus concerts in May. They will be on Friday, May 16 and Saturday, May 19 at 7:30 pm in the OPC Sanctuary. Come enjoy the talented singers and fun!



# Pastor Nominating Committee



will report on the search for a pastor. Members of OPC will have received additional information on the candidate by mail. All members are encouraged to study this information and to be present at the meeting. Contact any member of the committee if you have questions.

May, Lynn, Rachel, Cindy, Louise

#### **Treasurer Needed**

The Finance Committee is searching for our next treasurer! Melanie currently serves as an assistant to the treasurer, and will continue to do so in whatever capacity the new treasurer



wishes. Melanie is happy to meet with anyone as they consider the role, to explain how things currently work, and to discuss how you would want things to work.

Please see Pat Stewart or Melanie Rose for more information.

# **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

Thursday, May 2, 1:30 to 7:00 pm

#### **OPC Fellowship Hall**

OPC is hosting the American Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, May 2, from 1:30 to 7:00 pm. For anyone who wants to donate, please stay well-



hydrated that day and maintain a healthy level of iron in your diet in the weeks before your donation. You can call, visit the website, or use the app to make an appointment, or just walk in.

### **Hebrance Scholarship**

The Hebrance Scholarship was established by the family in 1985 to provide financial assistance for deserving students in the church family who are continuing their education after high school.



These awards are made directly to the scholarship winner's school.

If you are interested in applying, please submit a one-page essay which includes the following: 1) your future educational plans; 2) your activities in the community; and 3) how OPC and the church family influenced your life and goals. Send this to May Saxton, Clerk of Session by May 15 at clerkofsession@orangepc.org.

#### Volunteers Needed

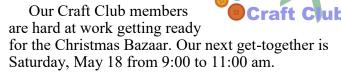
Hosts for the Coffee Fellowship are needed! Join up with your church group or friends and host together. What a great way to show hospitality to our members and welcome visitors! The sign-up sheet is in the East Room.



You are also welcome to provide flowers for the front of the sanctuary. You can have them in honor or memory of a loved one, or just for fun! The flowers add beauty to our already lovely sanctuary. You can sign up in the narthex.

#### **Craft Club**

Saturday, May 18, 9:00 am Fellowship Hall

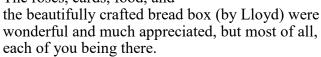


We have three projects for this workshop: yoyo snowmen, puzzle jars, and banners. Two of these projects are no-sew projects, so this workshop has something for everyone. The banners require basic sewing and ironing skills. Please join us! Call Carole Sue Graves with questions or for more information at 672-4192.

#### Thank You!

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the special Coffee Fellowship for us on Sunday. The roses, cards, food, and



We will miss you, but we will be back.

Margaret and Jack

# **Getting Ready for OPC's** 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!



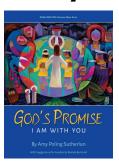
Realizing that our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary is only 18 months from now, we are prioritizing our efforts to preserve what we have gathered in regards to OPC History! At our meeting History on Monday, May 20 at 7:00 pm in the Fast Room, we will tall in the East Room, we will talk in particular about the preservation

of the oral history interviews conducted by Carol Couch and Winnie Higgins. Please join us! If you have any questions, please contact any member of the History Group: Carol Couch, Winnie Higgins, Lulu Sherman, Anne Somerville, Jennie Hill Robinson, Mike Saxton, or May Saxton.



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### **Presbyterian Women**



Please join us this month for the last Orange Presbyterian Women's Morning Circle meeting until the fall. We will share a potluck lunch on Tuesday, May 14 at 11:00 am in the East Room (note the time change). Nan Hawkins will lead the discussion of Lesson Nine, *God With Us*, from God's Promise: I Am With You. I'm looking forward to seeing you there!

Ellen Kendall, Moderator

#### **Prayer Concerns**

- Shirley Newman
- Anne Somerville
- Jack Samuels
- Jennifer Ernst
- Ed Marks
- Chris Wynkoop at Dogwood Village



- Mildred Butts at Dogwood Village
- Elizabeth Goodwin at Dogwood Village
- Bill Taylor at Dogwood Village
- We extend our Christian sympathy to the Saxton family upon the death of their niece, Rachel Saxton.