

Responsive Reading of Psalm 46:1-11

*God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.*

**Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling. Selah**

**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

*God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.*

**The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

*The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah*

**Come, behold the works of the Lord,
how he has brought desolations on the earth.**

*He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow
and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.*

**“Be still,
and know that I am God.**

*I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”*

**The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress. Selah**

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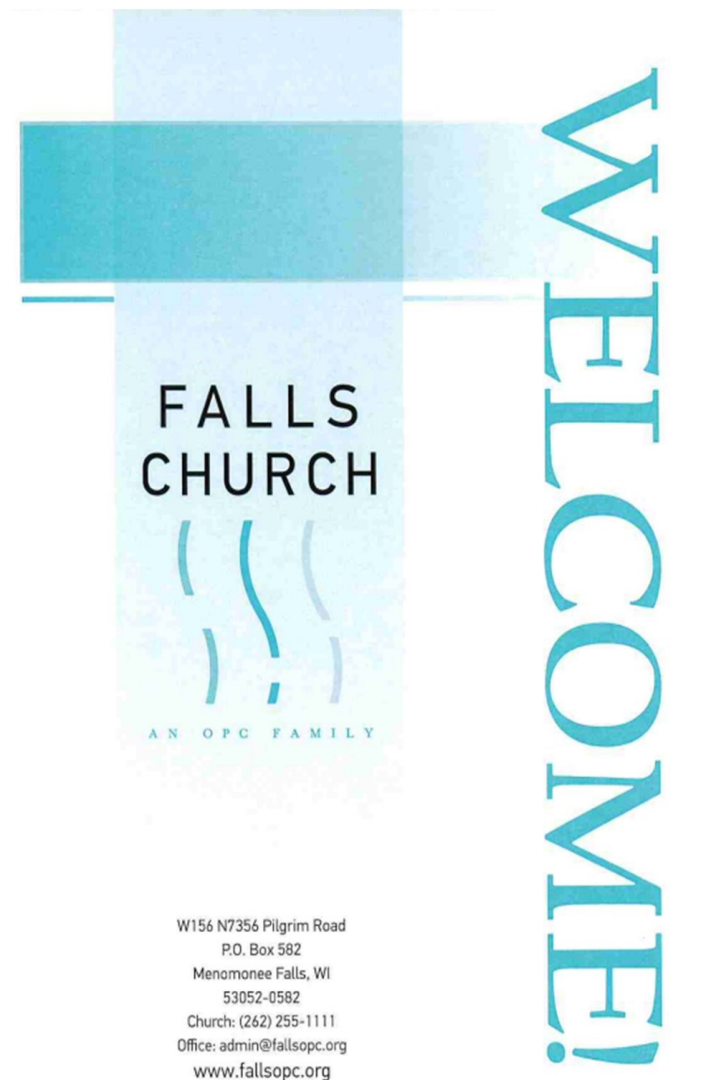
Session Vision for 2024

Shepherding: elders/deacons intentionally communicate with members

Involving: encourage everyone to participate in the activities of the church

Training: for teachers, trustees, deacons, pastor, elders, parents, all

Connecting: have members become more informed of presbytery and OPC



THE LORD'S DAY – OCTOBER 27, 2024

Morning Worship -10:45am

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Apostolic Greeting

*Call to Worship

John 4:23-24

*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn #169

My Heart Does Overflow

*The Nicene Creed (p. 846)

*Response Song (Hymn #394 v. 5)

All praise to God the Father be,
All praise, eternal Son, to thee, whom, with the Spirit,
we adore forever and forevermore.

Responsive Reading (back of the bulletin)

Psalms 46:1-11

Response Song (Songbook #117)

There Is A Redeemer

Offering and Offertory

Congregation at Prayer

*Hymn #337

O Spirit of the Living God

Scripture (p. 965)

2 Corinthians 3:1-6

Sermon

The Spirit Gives Life

*Hymn #457

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

*Benediction

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

*Doxology (Songbook #32)

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Postlude

(*Please stand if able.)

LOOKING AHEAD

THE LORD'S SUPPER - On Sunday, **November 3** at the 6:00 PM worship service. There will be a second collection for the ministry of the deacons of our church to those financially struggling.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY - On Monday, **November 4** at 7:00 PM at church. A study of the book of Job.

PRAYER MEETING - On Wed., **November 6** at 7:30 PM at church.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH - On Sunday, **November 10** at noon at church. This is our annual Pie Social. Please sign-up!

SESSION MEETING - On Wed., **November 13** at 7:00 PM at church.

55+ BREAKFAST - On Saturday, **November 16** at 9:00 AM at Ally's Bistro in Menomonee Falls. Please sign-up to join us!

THANKSGIVING SERVICE - On Thursday, **November 28** at 10:00 AM at church.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION OF THE MONTH - For October is OPC missionaries The Hacquebords in L'viv, Ukraine. For more info, talk with Sherry P.

FINANCIAL UPDATE - For September, we received \$31,524 in offerings which was \$6,692 below our estimated amount for September, plus we received \$815 for Mission of the Month-Folta. For the year, we are \$65,873 behind budget on offerings and overall expenses are \$42,422 lower than revenue.

THANK YOU - Dear Falls Church friends, thank you for your prayer and many deeds of love as we observed the passing of Lenore our dear wife and mother into glory. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." Psalm 116:15 - With deepest gratitude, Pastor Tolsma and family.

EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENT - Instant Church Directory no longer provides the feature to email church members. Important church announcements will be emailed through Mailchimp. If you are not receiving the 3:00 PM Friday Mailchimp email, please email admin@fallsopc.org to have your email added to the list and ensure you will also receive church updates and announcements.

TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024

9:30 AM Christian Education - For all ages. Classes for elementary on the lower level. Pastor Ben will teach the adult class on The Psalms, in-person at church in the worship hall, with livestream offered.

10:45 AM Morning Worship - Pastor Ben Snodgrass will preach.

12:00 PM Coffee Fellowship - Self-serve, enjoy refreshments!

6:00 PM Annual Reformation Worship - Pastor Ben Snodgrass will bring the message from 2 Timothy 1:1-14 and tell the story of Henry Bullinger, a Reformer in Switzerland from 1504-1575.

7:00 PM Reformation Celebration - Coffee fellowship time!

Deacons: AM, PM: Mark F., John M.
Sound Board: AM: Doug H. PM: Jeff V.
Musician: Eileen S.
Greeters: Kathy F., Suzy H.
Ushers: AM: Jeff L. PM: Doug H.

THIS WEEK

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - On Tuesday, **October 29** at 10:00 AM at church. A study of the book of Revelation. This week will cover chapter 4 in the text and discuss the questions on the handout. Extra questions are available downstairs in the designated wire basket.

DEACON MEETING - Rescheduled to Wednesday, **October 30** at 7:00 PM by zoom.

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

The Lord's Supper: PM
Deacons: AM, PM: Gary S., Philip P.
Sound Board: AM: Curtis L. PM: Gary S.
Musician: Jessica S.
Greeters: Sherry P., Jeanne L.
Ushers: AM: Jerry H. PM: Darin R.

NOTES ON THE MESSAGE

2 Corinthians 3:1-6

The Spirit Gives Life

The church in Corinth itself was the evidence that The Spirit was giving life.

1. The Spirit wrote by means of Paul's words onto the hearts of the Corinthians. (v. 1-3)
2. The Spirit gave confidence to Paul in his calling. (v. 4)
3. The Spirit gave competence to Paul to serve in the new covenant. (v. 5-6)

How do we know that God is at work?

In what way does God write upon human hearts? Jer. 32:33
When do hearts change? Ezek. 36:26-27, Gal. 3:10-11, 21
What makes the new covenant better? Heb. 9:15, Rom. 8:3

OCTOBER 27, 2024 EVENING WORSHIP – 6:00PM

Prelude
Apostolic Greeting
*Call to Worship Psalm 46:1-3
*Invocation
*Hymn #92 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*
Celebration in Song
Hymn #98 *Now Thank We All Our God*
Hymn #520 *Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness*
Hymn #705 *I Know Whom I Have Believed*
Prayer and Thanksgiving
Offering and Offertory
*Hymn #53 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*
Scripture (p. 995) 2 Timothy 1:1-14
Sermon Our Godly Heritage, Swiss Reformer Bullinger
*Hymn #692 *To You, O Lord, I Fly*
*Benediction Romans 16:25-27
*Response (Hymn #384 vs. 2)

Thanks we give and adoration for your gospel's joyful sound:
may the fruits of your salvation in our hearts and lives abound:
ever faithful, ever faithful to the truth may we be found.

*Postlude

FOR PRAYER

ASIA- Please pray for Sam and Eunsoo working in Asia. Sam writes: "So glad we could enjoy the beauty of the short fall season here together with the Reformed church community at a nice fellowship picnic and outdoor worship! Please pray for little girl S and her family to be firmly rooted in the Lord as they recently returned to church attendance. Their return started with coming to my outreach English class which was the little girl's first time to come to 'school.' Ask that the joy of the Lord would continue to be manifested as they reintegrate into the church family."

HOME MISSIONS- Pastor Chris Drew of the OPC in Grand Forks, North Dakota reports that they recently lost a family of five who moved away. However, the Lord, in His providence, brought a new family of three! Additionally, they have welcomed other visitors.

UPDATES – Tolsma family (loss of Lenore 10/14), Nyenhuis family (loss of Stacy 9/30), Jan M. (her brother Earl, cancer)

NOTES ON THE MESSAGE

2 Timothy 1:1-14 Our Godly Heritage, Swiss Reformer Bullinger

God gave us our godly heritage.

1. God gave us a spirit of power, love, and self-discipline, so that we testify and suffer for the gospel. (v. 1-8)
2. God saved us and gave us the grace and power to live a holy life. (v. 9-12)
3. God gave us the Spirit within us, to help us to guard our heritage. (v. 13-14)

What has been given to us?

How did news of Christ's gifts come to you? Psalm 78:1-8.

How does God pass along His teachings to us? Deuteronomy 6:1-9

What are the benefits to the gifts we received? Ephesians 6:1-4