

Responsive Reading of Psalm 14:1-7

*The fool says in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt,
they do abominable deeds, there is none who does good.*

**The Lord looks down from heaven on the children of man,
to see if there are any who understand, who seek after God.**

*They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt;
there is none who does good, not even one.*

**Have they no knowledge, all the evildoers who eat up my people as
they eat bread and do not call upon the Lord?**

*There they are in great terror,
for God is with the generation of the righteous.*

**You would shame the plans of the poor,
but the Lord is his refuge.**

*Oh,
that salvation for Israel would come out of Zion!*

**When the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,
let Jacob rejoice, let Israel be glad.**

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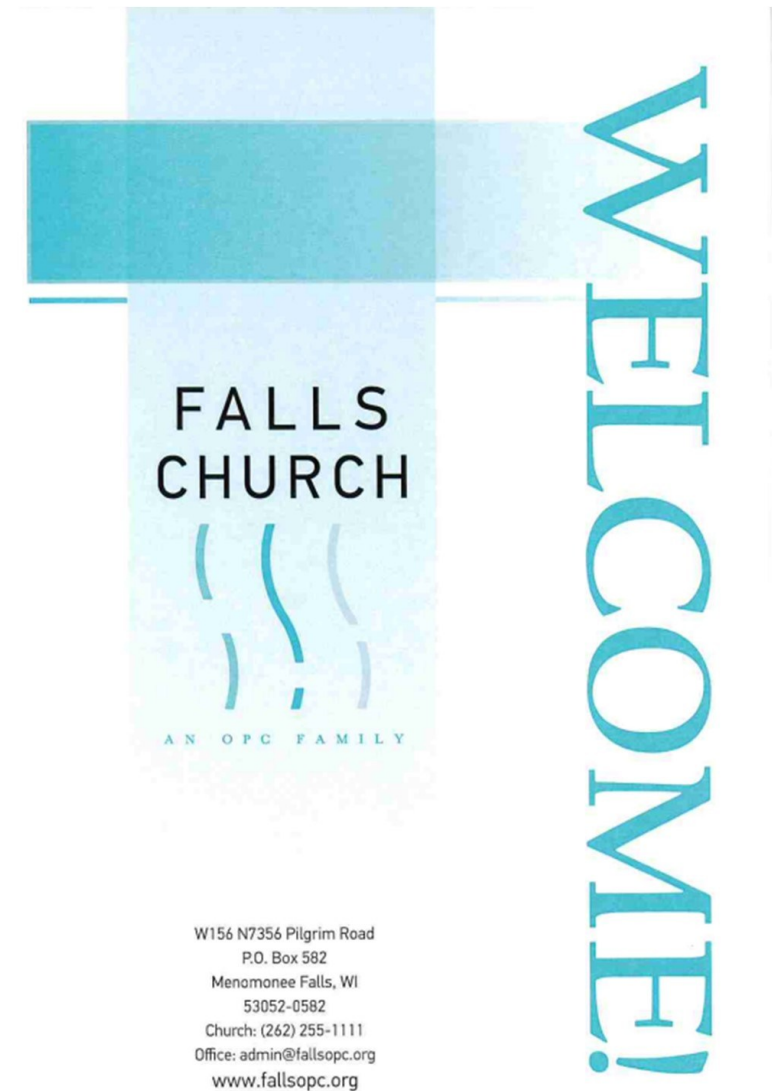
Session Vision for 2025

Shepherding: elders 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



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THE LORD'S DAY – OCTOBER 12, 2025

Morning Worship -10:45am

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Apostolic Greeting

*Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-2

*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 #32

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

*The Westminster Shorter Catechism Q/A #20 (p. 870)

*Response Song (Hymn #394 vs. 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)

Psalm 14:1-7

Response Song (Songbook #24)

Cast Thy Burden upon the Lord

Offering and Offertory

Congregation at Prayer

*Hymn #523

My Hope Is in the Lord

Scripture (p. 762)

Joel 3:1-8

Sermon

The Hope of Restoration

*Hymn #521

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

*Benediction

Romans 15:13

*Doxology (Hymn #731)

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

ANNUAL REFORMATION WORSHIP - On Sunday, **October 26** at the 6:00 PM worship service.

DEACON MEETING - On Wed., **October 29** at 7:00 PM by zoom.

REFORMATION CONFERENCE - On Saturday, **November 1** and Sunday, **November 2** at Grace OPC in Sheboygan, WI. See poster on the lower level bulletin board for more details.

THE LORD'S SUPPER - On Sunday, **November 2** at the 6:00 PM worship service.

PRAYER MEETING - On Wed., **November 5** at 7:30 PM at church.

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP LUNCH - On Sunday, **November 9** at noon at church.

SESSION MEETING - On Wed., **November 12** at 7:00 PM at church.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE - On Thursday, **November 27** at 10:00 AM at church.

CE CANCELLED - For all ages on Sunday, **November 30** for Thanksgiving weekend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSION OF THE MONTH - For October is the Hacquebord family in Ukraine. For more info see the bulletin board, the insert, the prayer card, or talk with Sherry P.

HYMN OF THE MONTH - For October is Hymn #131, *Children of the Heavenly Father*. We will sing this hymn on Sunday evenings.

FINANCIAL UPDATE - For September, we received \$21,157 in offerings and \$660 for missions. Expenses were \$21,176 for the month. We also received \$10,100 in interest and other income.

ANGEL TREE UPDATE - There is an opportunity to serve as a co-coordinator of Angel Tree, with Glenn U. Your task is to make the telephone calls to the families, until the needed information is gained about the specific gifts, such as size, color, and desired item. Angel Tree's minimum for each church is 20 children, who each receive two gifts (one clothing item and one toy item) for a total of 40 gifts from our church members. If you are interested to serve in this way, please contact Glenn U.

TODAY, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025

9:30 AM Christian Education - Pastor Ben will teach The Psalms for the adult class in-person in the worship hall, with livestream offered. Class for children will meet on the lower level.

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

Fellowship Lunch - After morning worship, we enjoy a meal together!

6:00 PM Evening Worship - Pastor Ben Snodgrass will bring the message.

7:00 PM Coffee Fellowship - Self-serve, enjoy refreshments!

Offering: Glenn U., Mark F.

Sound Board: AM: Gary S. PM: Doug H.

Musician: Eileen S.

Greeters: Chris & Jessica K.

Ushers: AM: Brian A. PM: Philip P.

THIS WEEK

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - A study on the book of Isaiah on Tuesday, **October 14** at 10:00 AM at church.

TRUSTEES MEETING - On Wed., **October 15** at 7:00 PM at church.

THE ORGANIZING OF A NEW CHURCH - Breakwater OPC in Sheboygan, WI with Pastor Nate Strom will celebrate on Friday, **October 17** at 6:00 PM. Pastor Jim Hoekstra will preach the sermon.

SEMINAR - On **October 17-18** at the OPC in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Dr. Alan Strange on the topic of *The Spirituality of the Church*.

55+ BREAKFAST - On Saturday, **October 18** at 9:00 AM Ally's Bistro in Menomonee Falls.

LEAF FEST YOUTH CONFERENCE - On Saturday, **October 18** at the OPC church in Reedsburg, WI from 3:00-7:00 PM.

NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025

Offering: John M., Philip P.

Sound Board: AM: Jeff L. PM: Doug C.

Musician: Glenda F.

Greeters: Glenn U., Kathy F.

Ushers: AM: Curtis L. PM: Doug H.

NOTES ON THE MESSAGE

Joel 3:1-8

The Hope of Restoration

When we return to the Lord, we gain sure hope of restoration.

What can we expect from the Lord?

1. To the slavery, there will be an end. (v. 1-3)

2. To the oppressors, there will be payback. (v. 4-6)

3. Against all logic, there will be a full reversal. (v. 7-8)

How does returning to the Lord change so many things?

How do trouble and mercy get dished out? Prov. 11:8 Jam. 2:12-13

What happens to those who troubled us? 2 Thess. 1:5-10

Who will be destroyed, and who will be saved? Phil.1:27-30

OCTOBER 12, 2025 EVENING WORSHIP – 6:00PM

Prelude

Apostolic Greeting

*Call to Worship Galatians 1:3-5

*Invocation

*Hymn #7 *From All That Dwell below the Skies*

Celebration in Song (Hymn #131) *Children of the Heavenly Father*

Prayer and Thanksgiving

*Hymn #647 *How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds*

Scripture (p. 517) Psalm 126:1-6

Sermon Restore Our Blessings

*Hymn #360 *When in His Might the Lord*

*Benediction Numbers 6:24-26

*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

URUGUAY - Please pray for Stephen and Catalina Payson who will complete their two-month furlough and return to Montevideo, Uruguay. Stephen writes: "As we complete our furlough in the U.S. we give thanks to God for the opportunities we have had to visit OPC churches in Maine, Massachusetts, Virginia, and Southern California. The same gospel that is bearing fruit in Montevideo is bearing fruit in the U.S. as well! Visiting OP congregations gave us the privilege of reporting on the Lord's work in Uruguay, but it also gave us the joy of being ministered to by the saints here. As we return to Uruguay for a second term, please pray for the new church plant which will be a continued area of focus and development."

HOME MISSIONS – Pastor John and Berry Serafini of the OPC in Marion, North Carolina are grateful that a theology class with six adults recently began. They rejoice that four children have become communicant members, with two more hoping to profess their faith. A man for whom the OPC built a home has begun asking about baptism and is desiring to start a Bible study to begin in his home - an encouraging sign of the Lord's ongoing work. Please pray for the church as they prepare to hold a particularization service in December.

UPDATES – Van Aackens (settling in after their move)

NOTES ON THE MESSAGE

Psalm 126:1-6

Restore Our Blessings

While we look back to God's great redeeming work in Christ, and while we struggle today, we constantly hope for and long for our future restoration.

1. We joyfully look back to the first coming of Christ in order to redeem us, since that gives meaning to every past moment of rejoicing. (v. 1-3)

2. We pray for the future restoration of full blessings. (v. 4)

3. We look forward with longing to the second coming of Christ, since it gives meaning to every present moment of suffering. (v. 5-6)

In what way does the metaphor of harvest fit our lives?

In what do we abound more and more? Phil. 1:9-11

Why is patience an important piece of our lives? James 5:7-8

Who does the final harvesting? Revelation 14:14-16