

WELCOME TO  
OZARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We warmly welcome you to Ozark Presbyterian Church, where we strive to live as faithful followers of Jesus our Savior and King. At the end of each pew is the friendship register – please take a moment to write down your name (and other information if it has changed or if you are a visitor) and pass it along the row and then pass it back for all to see who is sitting near to them. Please greet your neighbors at the close of the service!*

Your elders and deacons have been elected and ordained to serve you in the name of Christ. Please pray for them often and feel free to contact any one of them if you have a need or if you have any questions that they might be able to answer for you.

**Diaconate:** Bill Blackmon, Jr.; John Davis;  
Brian McCready

**Session:** Frank C. Ellis, Jr., *Moderator*;  
Durwood Judah, *Clerk*;  
Billy Blackmon; Wes Brunson;  
Jeff May, Pete Mosley

Robert McLaughlin, *deacon emeritus*,  
Earl Griffin, *elder emeritus*

*We proclaim Christ, who is  
the Way, the Truth, and the Life.*

*Through him we are  
Taught by the Truth, and  
Liberated by the Life, to  
Walk in the Way.*

*The goal of our instruction is love for God and neighbor  
that flows from a pure heart and  
a clear conscience and  
a sincere faith.*

**The Confession of Our Faith**

*I believe in God the Father*

Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth;

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord:**

Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost;

Born of the Virgin Mary;

Suffered under Pontius Pilate;

Was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell;

The third day he rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven;

And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

*I believe in the Holy Ghost;*

The holy catholic Church;

The communion of saints;

The forgiveness of sins;

The resurrection of the body;

And the life everlasting.

AMEN.

Minister: What do you mean when you say, I believe the communion of the saints?

People: I believe that all the saints (to the company of whom I am firmly persuaded that I belong) are united to Christ their head by his Spirit, and that gifts are bestowed upon them from the head, including those gifts that are the same in all and are necessary for salvation, as well as those gifts that are diverse and variously given to every one, and which are necessary for the building up of the church.

The Hymn 347, vv. 1, 2, 5, 6, *standing as able* The Church's One Foundation

**The Prayer of Dedication**

**The Passing of the Peace**

Romans 5 1

Minister: *Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you all.*

People: **And also with you.**

**The Benediction and the People's Amen** 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24, 28

*Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. AMEN.*

**The Postlude**



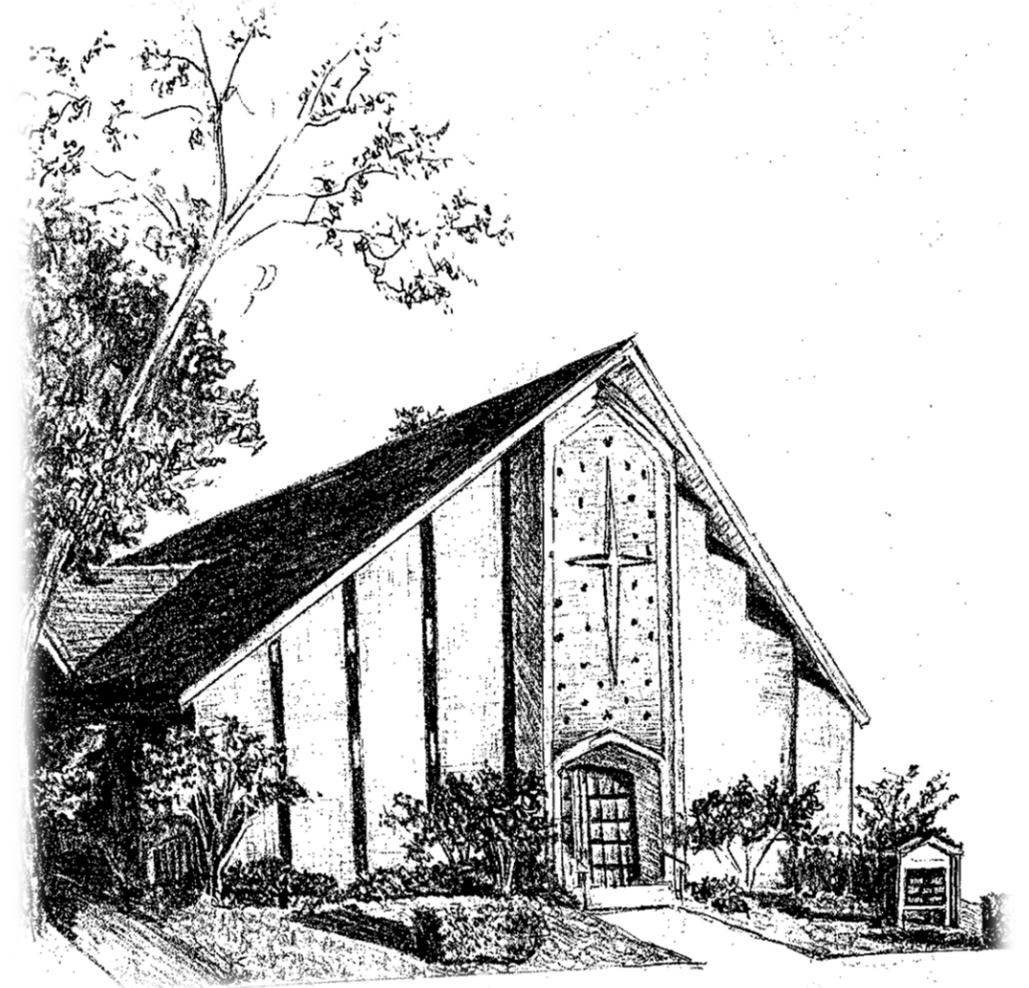
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*A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America*

The Apostles' Creed, A.D. 390

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*Taught by the Truth and Liberated by the Life to Walk in the Way*



*The LORD takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with salvation.*

~ Psalm 149:4

**THE ORDER FOR DIVINE WORSHIP**

November 6, 2016 11:00 a.m.

All Saints Sunday

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*Organized to the Glory of God in 1893*

## The Greeting

## The Call to Worship

1 John 5:14; Hebrews 10:22, with 4:16

*This is the confidence that we have toward God, that if we ask anything according to his will he hears us. Having this promise, let us draw near to the throne of grace near with true hearts in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.*

## The Prelude

**Silent Prayer:** Almighty and everlasting God, who has adorned the sacred body of your Church with so great a cloud of witnesses and has encouraged us by the confessions of the holy martyrs; Grant that we, following after both their teachings and their holy example, may always do what is pleasing in your sight. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN. (*The Leonine Sacramentary*, ca. 7<sup>th</sup> century)

## The Ascription of Praise, *standing as able*

Revelation 7:9-10, 14-17

Minister: *I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice,*

**People:** **“Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!”**

Minister: *These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.*

## The Hymn 103

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

## The Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Minister: Blessed be God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. And blessed be his Kingdom forever!

Lord God our Father, you have condescended, by your acts of grace and mercy in Christ, to save us from our sin and misery, and you have called us, your humble, sinful, and unworthy servants, to approach you in worship in the presence of your holy majesty, together with angels and archangels and all the saints in glory. By the power of your Holy Spirit, sanctify and strengthen us for this service and grant to our hearts and our lips confident power to praise and thank you, and to worship and adore your Holy Name! (Liturgy of Basil the Great)

**All:** ***Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.*** (Revelation 7:12)

## The *Gloria Patri*

Latin Hymn, A.D. 529

**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.**

*All may be seated*

*To Glorify God and to Enjoy Him Forever*

## The Call to Confession

Isaiah 6:1-5

## The Prayer of Confession

Minister: Lord our God, the searching brilliance of your holiness reveals what we are before you: sinful and unclean people. But your goodness brings us to the repentance that leads to life. We acknowledge our foolish and sinful ways. We have shunned your truth, turned aside for our own devices and desires, slighted your mercy, and resisted your will.

**All:** **Though we bless you in the Spirit, we have not served you as we ought. We have sinned against you times and ways without number, and we are not worthy to be called your children. Yet, for the sake of Christ, hear us as we confess before you in our hearts those sins and misdeeds dark that are our present remorse and a thorn in our side...**

## The Individual Confession of Sin, *in silence*

## The Prayer for Peace and Grace

## The Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 6:6-7

## The Hymn 308, *standing as able*

Jesus Paid It All

## The Prayer for Holiness

*All may be seated*

## The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*You are invited to write down your ministry and/or prayer requests (joys and concerns) on the cards in the cards in the pew racks. Please place them in the offering plate or hand them to one of the elders at the end of the service.*

## The Prayer of Dedication

## The Offertory

## The Doxology, *standing as able*

Thomas Ken, 1674

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. AMEN.**

*All may be seated*

## The Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

## The Lord's Prayer

***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.***

## The Scripture Lesson

Mark 8:27-33

## The Prayer for Illumination

## The Sermon

Pastor Frank C. Ellis, Jr.

## What is the Communion of the Saints?

*The communion of saints...* is an equal participation in all the promises of the gospel; ...it is the common possession of Christ, and all his benefits; and the bestowment of the gifts which are given to each member for the salvation of the church. It signifies...

1. ***The union of all the saints with Christ***, as members with the head, which is effected by the Holy Ghost, who dwells in the head, and in the members, conforming and making them like unto their glorious Head, yet preserving a proper proportion between the head and the members; or, it is a union of the church with Christ, and of the members one with another; which union with Christ extends to his whole person, including both, his divine and human natures; for communion with the person of Christ is the foundation of communion in his benefits, according to what is said: *I am the vine; you are the branches; Abide in me, and I in you; As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me* (John 15:4,5). *For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body* (1 Cor. 12:13). *Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him* (Rom. 8:9). *He who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him* (1 Cor. 6:17). *By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit* (1 John 4:13).
2. ***A participation in all the benefits of Christ***. The same reconciliation, redemption, justification, sanctification, life and salvation, belong to all the saints by and for the sake of Christ. They have in common all the benefits which are necessary for their salvation. *There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call—one Lord, one faith, one baptism...* (Eph. 4:4,5).
3. ***The distribution of special gifts***. These particular gifts which are bestowed upon some members of the church for the salvation of the whole body, for the gathering of the saints, for the work of the ministry, and for the edification of the church, are also common to the whole church: yet they are at the same time so distributed to all its members that some excel in one particular kind of gifts, whilst others again excel in other respects; for there are different gifts of the Spirit, and *grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Ghris't's gift* (Eph. 4:7).
4. ***The obligation of all the members*** to devote all the gifts which have been conferred upon them to the glory of Christ, their Head, and to the salvation of the whole body, and of every member mutually....

Zacharias Ursinus,  
*Commentary on the Heidelberg Catechism*,  
Question 55

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