

Lord's Day Morning Worship Service

August 31, 2025

11:00 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to WorshipPsalm 16:1

* Hymn 89 (Red) “God Is Our Strength and Refuge” (Psalm 46)

God is our strength and refuge, our present help in trouble; and we therefore will not fear, though the earth should change! Though mountains shake and tremble, though swirling floods are raging, God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

There is a flowing river, within God's holy city; God is in the midst of her — she shall not be moved! God's help is swiftly given, thrones vanish at his presence—God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

Come, see the works of our Maker, learn of his deeds all pow'rful; wars will cease across the world when he shatters the spear! Be still and know your Creator, uplift him in the nations—God the Lord of Hosts is with us evermore!

* Prayer of Invocation

* Confession of Faith.....The Apostles' Creed (Red Hymnal, p. 845)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Gloria Patri (Tune: Regent Square)

Glory be to God the Father; glory be to God the Son; glory be to God the Spirit, ever three and ever one. As it was in the beginning, now and evermore shall be.

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in 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.

* Hymn 366 (Black) “My Soul Longs for the Lord”

My soul longs for the Lord in a weary land. Wells are dry and I am empty, only dust in my hands. How I yearn for streams of mercy, where my soul can be restored. “Come and drink” Jesus calls me, “and you will thirst no more.” Oh, the fullness of Christ, Word of God, Word of Life.

Living Word, You walked among us, our Emmanuel, and You spoke into the darkness, broke the powers of hell. Grace and mercy flowed from Calv'ry to the valley of our need. It is done, it is finished, from ev'ry sin set free. Oh, the vict'ry of Christ, Word of God, Word of Life.

How often in the stillness have I heard Your voice; ev'ry whisper, ev'ry promise calls my heart to rejoice. In the quiet of the morning, through the watches of the night, in the fire of my struggles, there's courage for the fight. Oh, the power of Christ, Word of God, Word of Life.

My soul longs to walk closer with the Lord I serve. More than riches, more than favor, I delight in Your Word. Turn my gaze from all that's worthless; set my heart on things above. May my life tell Your goodness, Your way of truth and love. Oh, the wisdom of Christ, Word of God, Word of Life.

My soul longs for the day I will see your face, hear Your shout of jubilation; no more tears, death or pain. Ev'ry word at last accomplished; heaven sings and earth replies: “To our God be the glory,” let all creation cry, “Praise and honor to Christ, Word of God, Word of Life.”

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Giving of Tithes and Offerings

* Doxology

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.

SermonRev. Alan H. Johnson

Twice Named: Saul, Saul

Acts 9:1-22 (p. 917)

* Hymn 483 (Red)..... “We Sing the Glorious Conquest”

We sing the glorious conquest before Damascus gate, when Saul, the church's spoiler, came breathing threats and hate; the rav'ning wolf rushed forward full early to the prey; but lo! the Shepherd met him, and bound him fast today.

O glory most excelling that smote across his path! O light that pierced and blinded the zealot in his wrath! O voice that spoke unto him the calm, reproving word! O love that sought and held him the bondman of his Lord!

(Over)

O Wisdom ord’ring all things in order strong and sweet, what nobler spoil was ever cast at the victor’s feet? What wiser master-builder e’er wrought at your employ than he, till now so furious your building to destroy?

Lord, teach your church the lesson, still in her darkest hour of weakness and of danger, to trust your hidden pow’r: your grace by ways mysterious the wrath of man can bind, and in your boldest foeman your chosen saint can find.

* Benediction

Postlude

*Congregation Standing

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This Week’s Schedule

Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:35 a.m.	Fellowship Time
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service
Monday		Church Closed
Tuesday	10:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study

Church Staff

Alan H. Johnson, Pastor Joe R. Deighton, Assistant Pastor
Sandy Butler, Women’s Discipleship Coordinator
Carlin Wong, Children’s Ministry Coordinator
Janice Hurd, Admin. Assistant

The Lord’s Day August 31, 2025

Nursery

August 31	11:00 a.m.	Wong (2), Chandler (2)
September 7	11:00 a.m.	Wheless (2), Elmer (2)

August Morning Deacon: Ellison

August Evening Deacon: Dobbs

Session

2025

Steve Bennett
Rob Grabenkort
Jon Richards
Mike Minkoff

2027

Alan Larson
Bryant Mays
Owen Malcolm

2029

Kent Elmer

Diaconate

2025

Rob Funk
Mike Dennison
Tom Ellison

2027

Matt Chandler
Mike Deal
Carlin Wong
Ryo Yamazaki

2029

C J Dobbs
Kevin Foster
Alan Riley
Martin Taylor
Steve York

Announcements

WELCOME! If you are visiting us today, we welcome you warmly in the name of Christ. A nursery is available for children up to 4 years old.

FIRST SUNDAY LUNCH Join us after the service on Sunday, September 7, for our First Sunday Lunch.

OPPC MEN'S BIBLE STUDY will begin on Tuesday, September 9, at 7 a.m. in Fellowship Hall and on Zoom at 7:30 p.m., and Thursday, September 11, at 10 a.m. in fellowship hall. The men will study *The Parables of Jesus* by James Montgomery Boice. Books are available in fellowship hall for \$15.

OPPC CHURCH PICNIC will be held at McDaniel Farm Park on September 20 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. We will eat at 5 p.m. The address is 3020 McDaniel Road, Duluth. Use the park entrance at Duluth Highway 120 and follow the signs. The pavilion is on the right as you enter the parking lot, near the playground. The church will provide bottled water and smoked pork and chicken. Please bring sides, salads, drinks and desserts to share. Please use the QR code or the link to RSVP:
<https://oldpeachtree.breezechms.com/form/7e6cf3>



EXPLORERS CLASS Our Explorers Class is scheduled for Saturday, September 27, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the fellowship hall. This class, led by the pastor, is for anyone interested in membership at OPPC or who would just like to learn more about us. Please use the QR code or the link to RSVP: <https://oldpeachtree.breezechms.com/form/efdaa1>



Save the Date:

- September 20—OPPC Church Picnic
- September 27—Explorers Class

OLD PEACHTREE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Picnic



Who: YOU! Let's get to know each other better!

When: September 20 | 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. | We will eat at 5 p.m.

Where: McDaniel's Farm Park Pavilion, 3020 McDaniel Road, Duluth 30096
Use park entrance at Duluth Highway

What to bring: sides, salads, drinks and desserts
The church will provide pulled pork, chicken, and bottled waters.

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WOMEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDIES – 2025

Monday Evening Monthly Women's Bible Study began the study on Galatians last week. The monthly study starts at 6:30 p.m. at Meggin Garner's home in Hoschton. Please text Meggin with any questions at 404-862-4416.

Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study will meet weekly from 10 – 11:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. They will study the book, *Luke: Part 1: Chapters 1-8*, using *At His Feet Bible Studies*. Free childcare is provided. If you have any questions, please text Ann Elmer at 770-714-2902. The study begins on September 2. Books are available in fellowship hall for \$10.

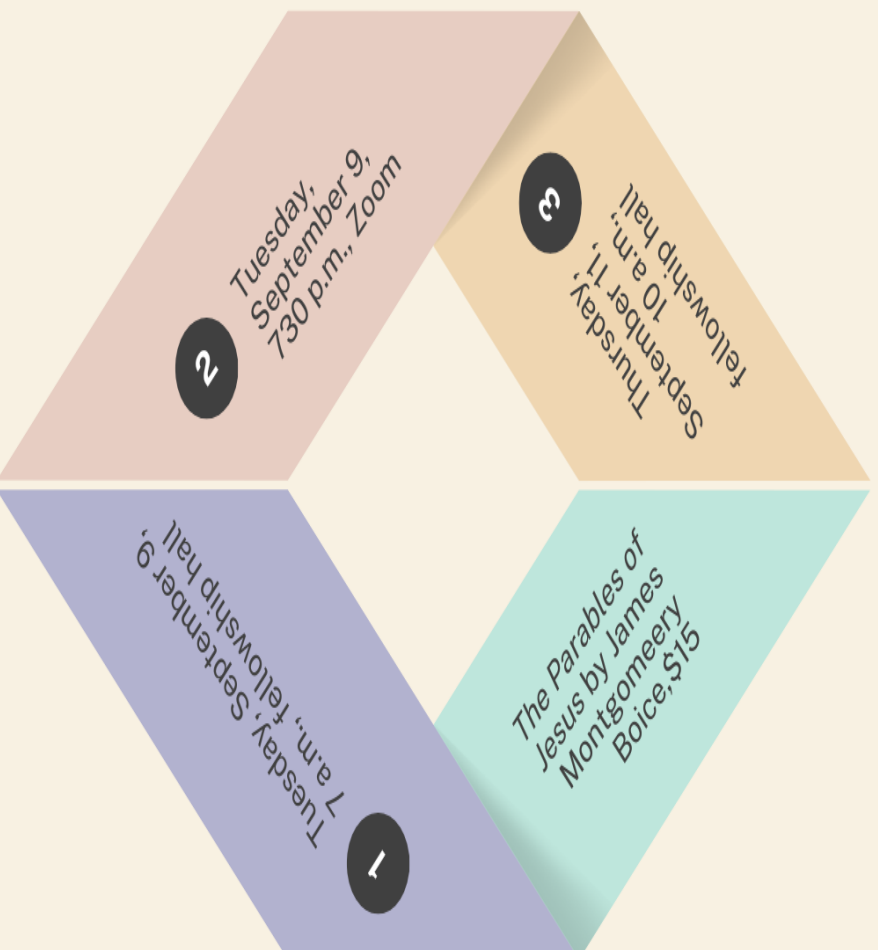
Tuesday Evening Women's Zoom Bible Study begins the study, *The Other Side of Christmas: We Saw a Wooden Manger, God Saw a Wooden Cross*, by Denis Bennett, Vickie Pooler, and Morgan Jones, on September 30 from 6:30 – 8 p.m. The last night of study will be December 2. Contact Jane Deal at 404-406-6185 for more information and to receive the Zoom link. Books are available in fellowship hall for \$8.

Christian Hearts Uniting to Memorize Scripture (CHUMS) meets on the second and fourth Thursdays at 10 a.m. at OPPC. Each lady chooses a Scripture to hide in her heart and learn at her own pace with her sisters' encouragement along the way. The women pray together, recite their verses, and fellowship as they make shawls to comfort others. For more information, contact Becky Dennison at 770-826-9657.

Saturday Morning Women's Bible Study begins on September 6 from 9 – 11 a.m. in fellowship hall. They will study *Acts 1-12: The Church is Born* by Al Mohler. Future dates are September 20, October 4 and 18, November 1, 15, and 29, and December 6. For more information, please text Barbara Johnson at 770-827-8950. Books are available in fellowship hall for \$7.

Saturday Afternoon Monthly Women's Bible Study meets once a month at Becky Dennison's home from 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. and includes dinner and the study. The study will continue on September 6. Michael Minkoff is teaching on the names of God. Contact Becky with questions at 770-826-9657. Her address is 479 Dorsey Circle, Lilburn.

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Opportunities for study God's Word together

**TUESDAY
MORNING**

Study on Luke
10-11:30 am, OPPC.
Text Ann Elmer at
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Begins 9-02

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Study on Acts
9-11 a.m., every other
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Barbara Johnson at
770-827-8950
Begins 9-06

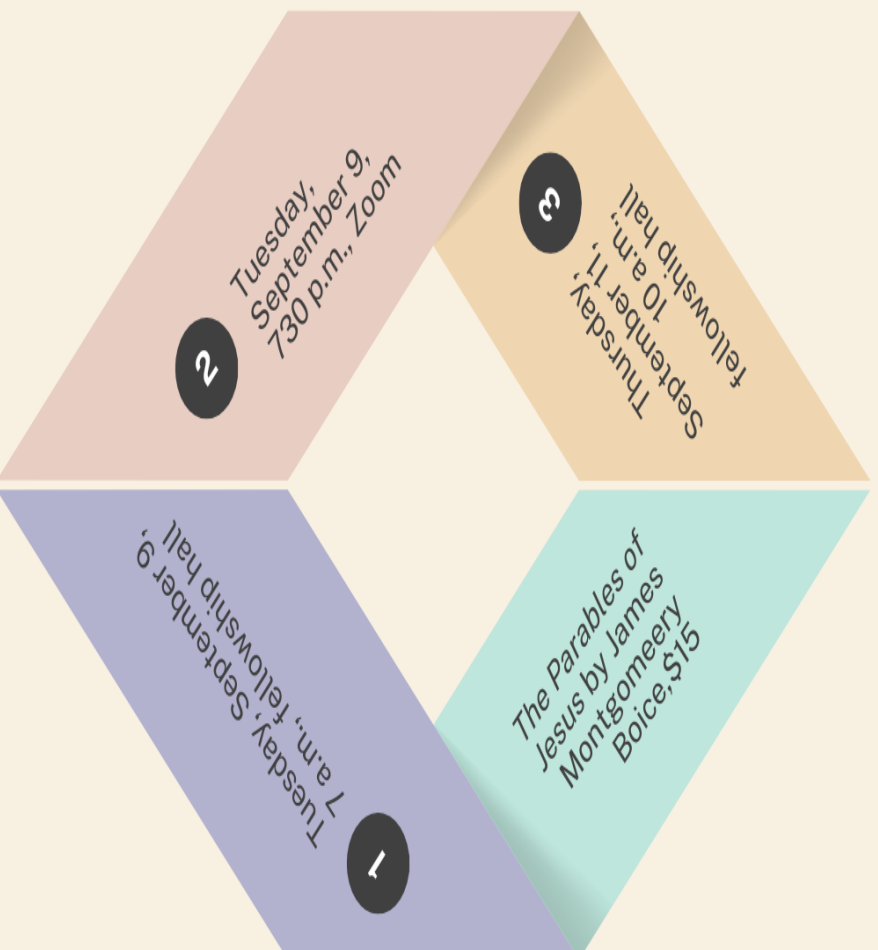
**SATURDAY
AFTERNOON
MONTHLY**

Study on names of God
3:30 - 6:30 p.m., Lilburn.
Text Becky Dennison at
770-826-9657
Continues 9-06

**MONDAY
EVENING
MONTHLY**

Study on Galatians
6:30 p.m., Hoschton.
Text Meggin Garner
at 404-862-4416
Begins 8-25

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