

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 22, 2026 10:30 a.m.

Fifth Sunday in Lent

THE CHURCH GATHERS IN WORSHIP

PRELUDE *"The Old Rugged Cross"* Price

PASTOR'S WELCOME

† THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" #306

*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Out of the depths we call to you, O Lord.

People: **Let your ears hear our supplication.**

Leader: We wait for you, O God. In your word is our hope.

People: **We wait for you, O Lord, for with you there is mercy.**

All: **Come. Let us worship God.**

† OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, your Son came into the world to free us all from sin and death. Breathe upon us with the power of your Spirit, that we may be raised to new life in Christ, and serve you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

† HYMN *"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy"* #305

† CALL TO CONFESSION

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that we are a people who cling to death. Like Lazarus in the tomb, we are bound by the wrappings of fear, apathy, and stubbornness, ignoring your call to come out into the light. We doubt your power to make all things new, preferring the safety of our tombs to the challenges of resurrection life. Forgive us, Lord. Call us forth from our despair, unbind us from our sins, and lead us into the light of your love, that we may live as new creations in Jesus Christ. Amen.

† SILENT PRAYER

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." Believe the great, good news, in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Alleluia! Thanks be to God!

† GLORIA PATRI

#581

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that, hearing, we may also obey your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 11:1-19

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John 11:20-45

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SERMON

Rev. James Kendrick

† HYMN

"O God, Who Gives Us Life"

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† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"Apostles' Creed"

Hymnal Page 35

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMMUNITY CORNER

WELCOME AND MEMBERSHIP: Welcome to worship at Orange Park Presbyterian Church! There are Connect Cards in the pews for visitor information, communications, and prayer requests (once completed, place in the offering plate). If you would like to talk with Pastor James about becoming a follower of Jesus Christ or becoming a church member, please note that on the card, and he will reach out to answer your questions.

GET CONNECTED: If you would like to receive our weekly newsletter, please e-mail pam@oppresby.com with your e-mail information. We would love to keep you current on what's happening at OPPC.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH AND NURSERY: Children's Church on Sunday mornings is for ages 4 through 13 and takes place right after the children's message. Our nursery is open upon request for the younger ones.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY: We will be having a church clean-up day on March 28 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. In addition to general gardening/yard clean-up we will be cleaning out the red shed. We have both inside and outside jobs. For outside work, bring gloves. Contact Pat Carlile or John Maierhoffer, if you have questions.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: Join us at 5:30 p.m. on April 2 in the Fellowship Hall for a supper featuring a potato bar with a variety of toppings, bread and dessert. The Maundy Thursday communion service will be at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Reserve your potato by writing on the back of the Connect Card, e-mailing pam@oppresby.com or calling the office at 904-264-0536.

A CROSS OF FLOWERS: On Easter we will continue our tradition of remembrance and celebration of the resurrection of the Lord by placing flowers on the cross outside of the church. You may arrive with your fresh flowers as early as 10:00 a.m. as we begin a joyful time of worship!

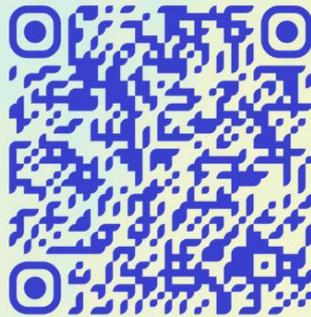
SPECIAL OFFERING: We will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing "Special Offering" of the PC(USA) on Easter, April 5. Our gifts help to relieve hunger, support community development programs here and around the world, and fund the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) program.

CHURCH-WIDE LENT STUDY: This year's study today through March 29, will be "Meeting Jesus on the Road" by Cynthia Campbell and Christine Coy. There will be a different facilitator each week. Books are available in the office weekdays and in the Narthex on Sunday. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall with breakfast snacks at 9:00 a.m., and the study will begin at 9:15. We expect a meaningful time of learning and conversation and hope you'll join us!



Help our preschool earn the Best of Clay title for the Child Care Center category by voting!

Winners Circle voting takes place March 16th - April 1st. Vote once a day to help us reach #1!



Submit your vote under **Business** > **Child Care Center** category and select Orange Park Presbyterian Church Preschool!