



REFORMATION OPC  
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*Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe. Heb. 12:28*

THE LORD'S DAY JANUARY 12, 2025  
*10:00 am and 5:30 pm*

*“And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship,  
to the breaking of bread, and the prayers.” (Acts 2:42)*

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## Welcome to Reformation Orthodox Presbyterian Church

Welcome to our visitors! We are glad you are with us for worship. Reformation OPC exists for the glory of God as a confessional, Presbyterian congregation. We worship with the assurance that God the Father communicates the benefits of redemption to his people through his Son by the ordinary means of grace, word, sacrament, and prayer, by the power of the Holy Spirit. We seek to grow together into the image of Christ, the crucified and risen Son of God, while waiting for his return to set all things right.

To all parents with young children: we are so glad you are here! If your child is being disruptive or needs a little break, please use our unstaffed nursery at any time during the service. And for their safety, we also ask that you accompany young children to the bathroom.

If you need pastoral counsel or would like to join ROPC, please talk to Pastor Noe or one of the elders.

**Note:** Bread and wine are served for the Lord's Supper. For those whose health requires it there are gluten free crackers in the inner ring of the bread trays.

### CALENDAR AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catechism and Adult Education (9:15 a.m.)	Adult education on Calvin's <i>Institutes</i> , and children's catechism classes for ages 2-12.
January 14 (Tues)	Monthly Session meeting, 7 p.m. at the church building. Visitors welcomed at 7:30.
January 15 (Wed)	Dessert and Theology at Noe home, 7 p.m. Spring topic: Wisdom for the Christian Life from Proverbs, ch. 28. 3033 Vassar St.
January 17 (Friday)	Meeting of Presbytery of Michigan and Ontario, Community OPC, Kalamazoo, MI.
February 22 (Sat)	Annual Ladies' Tea at church building, 10:30 a.m. Please contact Laura Schubert.

MORNING WORSHIP

**We Enter God's Presence through Christ's Sacrifice**

*Prelude: Prepare to enter the gracious presence of the Triune God in order to commune with him through his means of grace.*

\*Apostolic Greeting

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 45:1-5

\*Prayer of Invocation

\*Psalm of Approach:

*Help, LORD, Because the Godly Ones... TPH 12*

\* The Law of God

Matthew 5 (adapted)

*Minister: You have heard that it was said, "You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy." But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven.*

**People: For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.**

*Minister: For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?*

**People: You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.**

*Minister: Have we fully obeyed the Lord in all that he has commanded us?*

**People: No, but we have sinned against him in thought, word and deed.**

*Minister: Then let us confess our sins to the Lord for with him there is mercy and abundant redemption.*

\*Unison Prayer of Confession with the Lord's Prayer

**O Father, we are gathered before you, the Maker of heaven and earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed; we have not loved you with all our heart and soul; we have not loved you with all our mind and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred. But, please Father, do not leave us in sorrow.**

**Forgive us, O LORD, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, and continue in us your work of sanctification through your Holy Spirit that we would be renewed and put on the new self in true righteousness and holiness. We pray in the name of Christ, who taught us to pray, saying:**

**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.**

\*Declaration of Absolution

\*Gloria Patri

TPH 572

*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.*

### **We Receive New Members**

Douglas Dawe

### **We Hear God's Word**

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Reading

John 10

Hymn of Response:

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

TPH 429

Sermon Text

Isaiah 44:24-28

Sermon:

*She Shall be Built*

Rev. David C. Noe

### **We Respond with Our Prayers and Praises**

Congregational Prayer

Response

TPH 558

*Hear our prayer, O Lord, hear our prayer, O Lord.  
Incline thine ear to us, and grant us thy peace. Amen.*

Offering

1 Chronicles 29:14

### **We Partake of the Covenant Meal**

\*Hymn of Preparation: *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

TPH 412

\*Nicene Creed

TPH 852

Lord's Supper

Institution

Exhortation

*Minister: The Lord be with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

*Minister: Lift up your hearts.*

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

*Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Minister prays: It is indeed right and a good and joyful thing...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, who forever proclaim the glory of your name, saying:*

**People: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

## Distribution and Reception of Elements

### Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Heavenly Father, we praise you that in your abundant mercy, you delivered up Jesus to the death of the cross. We thank you that today we experienced the comfort of commemorating that death, in the holy Supper. We extol you for a gift so precious. We pray that you would cause our souls to benefit from the sufferings of our Redeemer, signified and sealed in communion: pardon of our offences, the graces of your Spirit, the comfort of your love, the light of your peace, and, after this life, the glory of your kingdom. Hear us in the name and for the sake of our merciful Redeemer, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn: *Let Our Choir New Anthems Raise*

TPH 407

\*Benediction

\*Doxology: *To You, O LORD, I Cry*

TPH 28 (8)



Congregational Prayer

Offering

Psalm 96:7-8

\*Psalm of Praise:

*When in His Might the Lord Arose*

TPH 126B

\*Benediction

*\* Indicates that those who are able should please stand*





**Evening Sermon Notes**  
**(Matthew 21:23-27)**

I. Back to the temple (v. 23)

A. Instruction

B. Conflict

II. By what authority? (v. 24)

III. John, from heaven or man? (vv. 25-26)

IV. Do not answer a fool according to his folly (v. 27)

Conclusion

## Offerings

	November \$	2024 YTD \$
Giving	8,906.96	120,937.26
Interest income	205.15	2,193.03
Actual expenses	12,537.62	132,937.57
Net income over (loss)	(3,422.51)	(9,805.27)

### Planned Preaching Schedule:

1/19: Isaiah 45:1-7; Matthew 21:28-32

1/26: Elisha Walker a.m. and p.m., Isaiah 45:8-13; Matthew 21:33-41

2/2: Isaiah 45:14-19; Matthew 21:42-46

2/9: Isaiah 45:20-25; Matthew 22:1-14

2/16: Isaiah 46:1-4; Matthew 22:15-22

2/23: Isaiah 46:5-11; Matthew 22:23-33

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