



REFORMATION OPC
GRAND RAPIDS

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

THE LORD'S DAY OCTOBER 6, 2024
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 John Calvin's Institutes, Book III; taught by Pastor Noe.
October 6 (today)	Part 5 of new members' class: what it means to belong to the OPC, meeting after potluck meal. All are welcome.
October 6 (today)	Monthly potluck meal, immediately following morning worship. Members with surname A-M: entrée and fruit/dessert; surname N-Z: entrée and salad/vegetable.
October 8 (Tues)	Monthly Session meeting, 7 p.m. at the church building. Visitors welcomed at 7:30.
October 9 (Wed)	Dessert and Theology at Noe home, 7 p.m. Fall topic: Wisdom for the Christian Life from Proverbs, ch. 19. 3033 Vassar St. SE.

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 96:1-6

*Prayer of Invocation

*Hymn of Approach: *Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now*

TPH 162

*The Law of God

Ephesians 5 (adapted)

Minister: What does it mean to be imitators of God, as beloved children?

People: We are to walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Minister: What must not even be named among us?

People: Sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness. There must be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place.

Minister: What must there be instead?

People: Instead let there be thanksgiving.

Minister: What does the Scriptures say we may be sure of?

People: We may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God.

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

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature. We are prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses are against you. You alone know how often we

have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all the ways that we have displeased you.

Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of your dear Son. O most holy and loving Father, send your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech you, that we may henceforth live in your light and walk in your ways, to your commandments. We pray this in the name of him 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 Pardon

*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

Genevieve Lynn Gaastra

We Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

New Testament Reading

Luke 20

Psalm of Response:

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

TPH 100B

Sermon Text

Isaiah 42:18-25

Sermon:

For His Righteousness' Sake

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

Mark 8:35-37

We Partake of the Covenant Meal

*Hymn of Preparation: *Jesus Sweet, O Jesus Mild*

TPH 309

*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

We give thanks to you, Almighty God, that you have given to us the true bread which comes down from heaven, even your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant now that we who have received this sacrament by faith may abide in him and he in us, so that we may live in faith toward you, and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

*Closing Psalm : *O Lord, Thou Hast Ascended*

TPH 68B

*Benediction

*Doxology: *Song of Simeon*

TPH 295

EVENING WORSHIP

*Apostolic Greeting

*Call to Worship

Psalm 67:1-3

*Prayer of Invocation

*Psalm of Praise: *I Have Followed Truth and Justice*

TPH 119P

*Apostles' Creed

TPH 851

*Doxology

TPH 567

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen.*

*Responsive Reading

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 98. What is prayer?

A. Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

Q. 99. What rule hath God given for our direction in prayer?

A. The whole word of God is of use to direct us in prayer; but the special rule of direction is that form of prayer which Christ taught his disciples, commonly called the Lord's prayer.

*Psalm of Response:

Make Haste, O God, to Save Me

TPH 70

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 22

Hymn of Response:

Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

TPH 504

Sermon Text

Matthew 18:23-35

Sermon: *Forgive from Your Heart* Rev. David C. Noe

Congregational Prayer

Offering Matthew 6:26

*Psalm of Praise: *God, My King, Thy Might Confessing* TPH 145D

*Benediction

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

Morning Sermon Notes
(Isaiah 42:18-25)

- I. Deaf and blind (vv. 18-19)

- II. Seeing and hearing? (v. 20)

- III. For the sake of his righteousness (v. 21)

- IV. Plundered, looted, trapped, hidden (v. 22)

- V. Who? (vv. 23-24)

- VI. Burning anger (v. 25)

Conclusion

Evening Sermon Notes
(Matthew 18:23-35)

- I. Settle accounts (v. 23)

- II. 10,000 bags of gold (v. 24)

- III. Repay the debt (v. 25)

- IV. Patience and pity (vv. 26-27)

- V. Choke him? (v. 28)

- VI. Patience and pity? (vv. 29-30)

- VII. Outraged (v. 31)

- VIII. Mercy (v. 32-34)

- IX. From your heart (v. 35)

Conclusion

Offerings

	August \$	2024 YTD \$
Giving	12,034.96	90,625.73
Interest income	202.66	1,586.46
Actual expenses	13,227.67	95,937.12
Net income over (loss)	(990.05)	(3,724.93)

Planned Preaching Schedule:

10/13: Mr. Elisha Walker: Isaiah 43:1-2; Matthew 19:1-9

10/20: Isaiah 43:3-7; Matthew 19:10-12

10/27: Isaiah 43:8-13; Matthew 19:13-15

11/3: Isaiah 43:14-21; Matthew 19:16-22

11/10: Isaiah 43:22-28; Matthew 19:23-30

11/17: Wayne Veenstra, TBD; Elisha Walker, Matthew 20:1-16

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