The Order of Service for the Lord’s Day

As people enter the Sanctuary they are encouraged to greet one another and share the gifts of friendship and love. When the prelude begins, all are invited to begin personal preparation for worship. As a kindness to fellow worshippers, please silence all electronic devices.

♦ = Congregation Standing as Able
† = Appropriate Times to be Seated when Arriving after Service Begins

~ We Gather Together as God's People ~


THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please pass the guest pads)

†THE CHORAL INTROIT: “The God of All Creation” .......................... D. Harrison
The Sanctuary Choir

♦THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively) .......................Nonie Booth, Liturgist

ONE: Lord, your way is perfect and sure, full of wisdom.

ALL: Lord, your way is just, and our hearts rejoice as you light our way.

ONE: Your way leads us into a right relationship with you and with each other.

ALL: More precious is your way than much gold, or many riches.

ONE: Your way is sweeter than honey, honey from the comb.

ALL: Enlighten us, O Lord, and show us your way. Keep us whole and sound.
And may the words of our mouths, and the meditation of all our hearts be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer!

♦THE OPENING PRAYER.......................................................Nonie Booth, Liturgist

♦THE HYMN NO. 35: “Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty” .................LOB DEN HERREN

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Spoken in Unison)

God of grace and goodness, in our baptism, you claimed us, and gave us Holy Spirit to lead us in your way. How easy it is for us to forget our identity, of who we are and whose we are. How easy it is to live for self and not for you. How easy it is to succumb to small sins, and to preen with pride that we have avoided the big ones. How easy it is to not give you all honor and glory. Remind us of our baptism, Holy Father. Renew in us our covenant commitment to you. And forgive us, not for our sakes, but for the sake of your Son Jesus, who, for our redemption, lived and died and lives again with you forever. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

♦THE GLORIA: “Crown Him with Many Crowns” .............................DIADEMATA

Crown Him the Lord of heav’n! One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit thro’ Him giv’n from yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise, For Thou hast died for us.
Be Thou, O Lord, thro’ endless days adored and magnified.
THE PASSING OF THE PEACE (Spoken Responsively)

ONE: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
ALL: And also with you.

(Children in K-5 are dismissed to go to Children’s Church)

THE MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP & GENEROSITY .................. Dan Broadhead

- The Word of the Lord -

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION................................. Nonie Booth, Liturgist

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 124 .................. Nonie Booth, Liturgist

If it had not been the Lord who was on our side—let Israel now say—if it had not been the Lord who was on our side, when our enemies attacked us, then they would have swallowed us up alive, when their anger was kindled against us; then the flood would have swept us away, the torrent would have gone over us; then over us would have gone the raging waters. Blessed be the Lord, who has not given us as prey to their teeth. We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowlers; the snare is broken, and we have escaped. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: “Refuge”................................. D. Christopher The Sanctuary Choir

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Mark 9:38-50 .. The Rev. Luckhardt-Hendricks

John said to him, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

ONE: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON: “Getting in God’s Way”....... The Rev. Tanta Luckhardt-Hendricks

~ We Respond to the Word ~

♦THE HYMN NO. 435: “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”.................IN BABILONE
In life and in death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (Spoken in Unison)
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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS.............................................. Melinda Mogowski, Greeting Elder

THE PIANO OFERTORY: “He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought” ....arr. M. Hayes Jason Evans

THE DOXOLOGY NO. 609 (Modified)........................................ LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Amen.

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION ....................... Melinda Mogowski, Greeting Elder

~ We Go Forth in Jesus’ Name ~

THE HYMN NO. 269: “Lead On, O King Eternal” ......................... LANCASHIRE

THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING RESPONSE: “May the Lord, Gracious Lord” ............Unknown
The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation
May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep us forever.
Let us be more like thee in our every endeavor.
Holy Spirit, Eternal God, this we pray together.
May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep us forever.

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Te Deum” ........ Marc-Antoine Charpentier (1636-1704)
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The flowers are placed in the sanctuary this morning by Sharon & Phil Moore in celebration of their 38th wedding anniversary.
Today’s Guest Pastor

The Rev. Tanta Luckhardt-Hendricks and her husband Joe have been vacationing on the Outer Banks for 25 years, always attending OBPC when in town. They have a home in East Liverpool, OH, but have now purchased a condo in Kitty Hawk and are looking forward to becoming more involved in the life of OBPC. Tanta was graduated from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary and served Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in East Liverpool for 33 years before retiring. Tanta and Joe, and their rescue lab Maddie, are happy to be here.

Next Week’s Sermon

Ephesians 4:1-16: This passage describes the things that unite us as Christians. Paul explains that Christians share faith in one body, one Spirit, one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of all. This passage reminds us that even though we may disagree about particular issues, there are many important commonalities that unite us as Christians. What would it look like if we let our worldview and our encounters with other Christians be guided by these principles?

World Communion Sunday & Peace and Global Witness Offering

Next Sunday, October 7, is World Communion Sunday, which highlights our unity with Christians throughout the world. A special offering for Peace and Global Witness will be taken that enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world. In recognition of World Communion Sunday, we will be sharing breads from around the world during communion.

Called Congregational Meeting

Next Sunday, October 7, there will also be a called a congregational meeting immediately following morning worship to receive a report from the Nominating Committee on the individuals to serve on the Session’s class of 2021. There will also be an opportunity to nominate from the floor. The three people who are elected will begin serving on the Session in January of 2019.

Harmony Café

OBPC is sponsoring Harmony Café at Kitty Hawk United Methodist Church on Saturday, October 6, from 11:00-2:00. We prepare and serve lunch, interact with the participants, and help clean-up. If you would like to participate, please call Rosalyn Pugh at 252-480-1028.

Consecration Sunday, October 14

Consecration Sunday is the day we dedicate the offerings of our time, talent and financial gifts to God! Please plan to bring your completed Pledge Cards and Stewardship & Generosity Ministry Forms with you to church on October 14th, or mail them or bring them by the office before the 14th if you will not be in church that day. Through our generosity, we will give thanks to God for all that he has given to us and concretely demonstrate our allegiance to Jesus Christ.

Third Thursday Luncheon

The next Third Thursday Luncheon will be held on October 18 at Black Pelican on the beach road in Kitty Hawk. Stay tuned for more details. To sign-up, please contact Ann or Dan Broadhead: Ann (252-207-3131), Dan (252-202-0365) or Email: kittyhawklife@gmail.com.
This Week at OBPC

Sunday, September 30, 2018
9:00 am .................Sunday School
10:00 am ..............Morning Worship
5:00 pm ...................Youth Group

Monday, October 1, 2018
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ..................... A.A.
6:30 pm .................... Boy Scouts

Tuesday, October 2, 2018
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ..................... A.A.
5:15 pm ............. Pastor’s Bible Study
6:30 pm .................... Cub Scouts

Wednesday, October 3, 2018
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ..................... A.A.
5:00 pm .... Stewardship & Generosity
6:30 pm .......... Adult Evening Study

Thursday, October 4, 2018
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ..................... A.A.
5:00 pm ........ Girl Scouts

Friday, October 5, 2018
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
8:00 am .................. Men’s Study
10:00 am ..................... A.A.

Saturday, October 6, 2018
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ..................... A.A.
12:00 pm ............. Harmony Cafe

Sunday, October 7, 2018
9:00 am ..................Sunday School
10:00 am ..............Morning Worship
11:15 am ........ Congregational Meeting
11:30 am ............. Flu Shot Clinic
4:00 pm ............... Choir Practice
5:00 pm ...................Youth Group

Pastor’s Bible Study

Pastor Jody is leading a Bible Study series during September and October. The class meets at 5:15 pm on Tuesdays in the fellowship hall from Sept. 4 through October 23. As we have done in the past, we will be studying the same Scripture passage that Pastor Jody will be preaching on the following Sunday. You can attend one or all of the remaining classes.

Oct 2 ...................Ephesians 4:1-16
Oct 16 .......Mark 9:33-37, 10:13-16
Oct 23 ..............James 3:5-4:12

Those Who Serve...

This Week....
September 30, 2018

Greeting Elder: Melinda Mogowski
Liturgist: Nonie Booth
Coffee Hour: Mogowski/Gentry
Children's Church: Hollie & Jody Lewis

Next Week....
October 7, 2018

Greeting Elder: Bob Messinger
Liturgist: Jeanne Martie
Coffee Hour: Administration Committee
Children's Church: Hardy/Davis
Communion Guild: Worship Committee & Glynn Powell

Sun., September 23 ...............$2,808.00
Total for September ........ $15,262.00
Pennies for Hunger ............. $64.87

Attendance
Sun., September 23 ............... 94
Hurricane Florence Disaster Relief

The needs will change as the recovery unfolds. Right now families need food, shelter and medical care as well as Spiritual Care as they return to their homes. Do NOT attempt to go there on your own right now. When the curfews are lifted and mandatory evacuations are cancelled, survivors will need support for clearing debris, cleaning up their homes and rebuilding what has been washed away.

In response, Churches can help in a number of ways:

1. **Provide financial support** through offerings to our church. On the Memo Line of your check, write "Hurricane Florence." Your money will be sent to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance or the Presbytery of New Hope.

2. **Assemble Flood Buckets.** New Hope Presbytery is organizing a Flood Bucket Collection to assist families in cleaning their homes after the water recedes. (Lists of items needed and instructions for assembling the flood buckets are in the Gathering Space and in the October newsletter.) The finished buckets will be stored at the church until they are taken to a collection site designated by the Presbytery. **The deadline for delivering your completed flood buckets to the office is 4:00 pm on Tuesday, October 2.**

3. **Organize teams to help with debris clearance.** Pastor Jody would like to see a work team organized from our church to help hurricane victims with clean-up and rebuilding efforts. Contact the office if you are interested in serving on a team. As suggested by the Presbytery, we will be using the Crisis Clean-up clearinghouse ([crisiscleanup.org](http://crisiscleanup.org)) to register our team. Once we organize a team, we will go to the website and pick a job from the ones posted. More information will be available about this from the office once we find out who wants to serve on our team.

4. **Pray for people affected by Hurricane Florence.**

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Flu Shot Clinic - Sunday, October 7, 2018

**Sign-Up Today!**

Today is the last day to sign-up for the Flu Shot Clinic being held at church next Sunday, October 7, beginning at 11:30 a.m. The sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Space.

Flu season will soon be here and influenza and pneumonia are serious health threats, particularly for young children and older adults. When you get vaccinated, it protects not only you, but your family and friends, too.

So far, 22 people have registered, which is great! The more the merrier, so please sign-up for this convenient way to get your flu shot this season. Please bring your insurance card to the clinic if you have one, and plan to stay after church and mingle with your friends as everyone does their part to stay healthy this season!
Welcome to the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church. Our Church exists to worship God in Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament; to join others to know the joy of God's forgiveness in Jesus Christ; to grow under the Lordship of Christ and to serve Christ's world in His name. We invite you to share with us our trust in Jesus Christ and to join us as we strive to:

- Grow and strengthen our FAITH,
- Love and support our FAMILY,
- Reach out to our FRIENDS in need.

We encourage you to read “Sue’s Story,” the inspiration behind these goals in its entirety, on our website, on a brochure in the Gathering Space or on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will be inspired as we have been.

At OBPC, we recognize all of our visitors as God’s children, united as brothers and sisters in Christ. We hope our service inspires you and strengthens your faith. We hope you will join us again in celebration and worship to God. If you are interested in becoming a member or would like to know more about our church or any of our programs, please contact us!

Our church believes providing worship for visitors is a vital part of our mission. Our building was planned to accommodate the many visitors who come to this vacation community. This places an additional financial challenge on our resident membership. We need and welcome financial support from our visitors.

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