

A Welcome to Our Visitors

We extend a special greeting to all who are joining us for worship today for the first time. It is our delight to have you among us as we renew fellowship with God, and it is our desire that you will truly discern the presence of God with us. We also extend a special invitation to you to attend a class for visitors, and all those interested in learning more about the Christian faith and this local church. Today's lesson takes up the question "What is the Orthodox Presbyterian Church?" We will meet after morning worship in the fellowship hall.

MORNING WORSHIP - 9:30 AM

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements **Pastor Justin Rosser**

Preparation for Worship

***Call to Worship** Isaiah 40: 28-31 **Elder Chris Dollar**

***Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise** *We Praise Thee, O God* **No. 83**

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon 2 Chronicles 7: 14

Hymn of Thanksgiving *Come, Ye Thankful People* **No. 615**

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Meditation:

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Confession of Faith Pledge of Obedience

O Lord, you have borne us on eagles' wings, and brought us to yourself.
You remembered your covenant, and delivered us from bondage.

You told us that if we obey your voice, we will be your treasured possession;
Therefore we gladly submit to your covenant demands.

You have said, "You shall have no other gods before me,"
And by your grace we will not give to others the devotion that you alone deserve, but will love you with all our hearts.

You have said, "You shall not make for yourself an idol,"
And by your grace we will not think of you or relate to you according to our own ideas, but only according to your own Word.

MORNING WORSHIP (continued)

You have said, "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain,"
And by your grace we will not think lightly or speak carelessly of holy things, but will fear your glorious name.

You have said, "Honor your father and mother,"
And by your grace we will not show disrespect or disobedience to those in authority over us, but will render to them our duty.

You have said, "You shall not murder,"
And by your grace we will not be angry or embittered against our brother or neighbor, but will serve them selflessly in love.

You have said, "You shall not commit adultery,"
And by your grace we will not permit ourselves impure thoughts or desires, but will remain chaste and faithful to our marriage vows.

You have said, "You shall not steal,"
And by your grace we will not take from others what is rightfully theirs, but will be faithful stewards of our own possessions.

You have said, "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor,"
And by your grace we will not mislead others by our words or deeds, but will uphold the truth always and keep our word.

You have said, "You shall not covet,"
And by your grace we will not envy the blessings of others, but will be content with what you have given to us.

O Lord, hear our pledge of fidelity to you our Savior and Lord,
And give us by your Spirit the power to keep your covenant.

- Adapted from Exodus 19 and 20

***Hymn** *Lord, Thy Word Abideth* **No. 266**

Preaching of God's Word Luke 10: 21-24 **Pastor Justin Rosser**

"Rejoicing and Revealing"

***Gloria Patri**

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.

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

* *Congregation Standing*

Announcements

Adult choir practice resumes this afternoon at 4:30 PM.

We welcome Pastor Mike Ross, former pastor of Christ Covenant Church, as he ministers the Word this evening. Pastor Rosser will be ministering to us this morning. Pastor Trice has been away this week on an annual week of study leave.

The men of Matthews OPC are invited to a book discussion with Pastor Trice on The Four Loves, by C. S. Lewis, this Wednesday evening, at 7:00 PM at the Trices'. Gentlemen, please feel free to join us even if you've not been able to read the book - or gotten very far in it. The discussion will be accessible to all and will focus on the first four chapters.

The Ladies' Bible Study with Pastor Trice resumes this Saturday at 8:30 AM.

A Good Friday Service is planned for Friday evening, March 30, at 7:00 PM. This will be an opportunity for the congregation to meditate on the suffering and death of our Savior and its significance prior to our celebration of his resurrection on Easter Sunday. Come be a part of this edifying tradition at MOPC!

Communicant Classes, designed to ready covenant children for admission to the Lord's Supper, will be taught on three consecutive Lord's Day afternoons, beginning April 8, at 4:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Parents, please speak with Pastor Trice if you and your child would like to be a part of the class.

PRAYER MEETING AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 11:15 AM

Visitors' Class: Pastor's Study

Prayer Meeting:
Men: Sanctuary
Women: Fellowship Hall

Youth Sunday School Classes:
ages 0-1 Nursery
ages 2-3 Jackie Selles
ages 4-5 Erin Cheney
ages 6-7 Donna Mauney
ages 8-9 Craig Adams
ages 10-11 Maribeth Campbell
ages 12-14 Stacy Baldree
ages 15-17 Jeff Cleveland
Education Building, Room 1
Education Building, Room 2
Education Building, Room 4
Education Building, Room 3
Education Building, Room 6
Education Building, Room 8
Education Building, Room 5/7

THIS WEEK AT MOPC:

Today: Worship at Carrington Place Nursing Home 3:00 PM
Adult Choir Practice 4:30 PM
Children's Choir Practice, following evening worship

Tuesday: Bible Study at Carrington Place Nursing Home 10:30 AM
Deacon Meeting..... 7:00 PM

Wednesday: Youth Group 6:30 PM
Men's Bible Study with Pastor Trice..... 7:00 PM

Thursday: Bible Study at the Begans' home 7:00 PM

Saturday: Ladies' Bible Study, with Pastor Trice 8:30 AM

EVENING WORSHIP - 5:30 PM

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements **Pastor Justin Rosser**

Preparation for Worship

***Call to Worship** Judges 3: 7-9

***Invocation and Lord's Prayer**

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.

***Psalm of Praise** **No. 290**
When in His Might the Lord Arose

***Reading of God's Word** I Kings 22: 1-28

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn of Praise** **No. 700**
Trust and Obey

Deacons' Offering

Offertory Meditation:
 Oh Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
 I love the holy Lamb of God.
 Oh wash me in His precious blood,
 My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God.

Preaching of God's Word **Pastor Mike Ross**
"Revival in the Great Plan of God"
Acts 3: 11-26

†Sacrament of Communion with Hymn **Songbook # 4**
Beneath the Cross

***Closing Psalm** **No. 7**
Now Blessed Be the Lord

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

** Congregation Standing*

† *The sacrament of Communion is for believers who have made public profession of faith in Jesus Christ, and are members in good standing of a true Christian church. If you are worshipping with us and meet these simple requirements, we warmly invite you to join us in celebrating the Lord's Supper. Note that wine will be served in Communion, but grape juice is also provided in the eight center cups of each tray.*

Servants in Ministry at MOPC

Church Officers

<u>Pastor:</u>	Nathan Trice	<u>Associate Pastor:</u>	Justin Rosser
<u>Elders:</u>	Jeffrey Cleveland Chris Dollar John Mauldin Trae Shepherd, Clerk	<u>Deacons:</u>	Keith Began Nathan Brinkerhoff Rob Cheney Luke Fawcett, Chairman Tom Hancock Scott Lining Jeff Roach

Church Staff

<u>Pastoral Assistant:</u>	Sylvia Kelly	<u>Treasurer:</u>	Trish Langan
<u>Music Assistant:</u>	Jeff Roach	<u>Custodians:</u>	Rob & Ann Cheney

Ladies Fellowship

<u>President:</u>	Jamie Dean	<u>Vice President:</u>	Ashley Trice
<u>Secretary:</u>	Myriam Adams	<u>Nursery Coordinator:</u>	Loretta Harbin
<u>Hospitality Coordinators:</u>	Jennifer Cleveland & Martha Snyder	<u>Prayer/Cheer Coordinators:</u>	Judi English & Marie Carriker
<u>Kitchen Coordinator:</u>	Dominica Laurie		

Ministry Contacts

Carrington Place Nursing Home	John Mauldin and Frank Romeo
Weddington Assisted Living	Pastor Rosser
ONE7 Ministries	The Groggels and Shepherds
Project 658 Ministries	The Groggels and Shepherds
Charlotte Rescue Mission	John Mauldin
Area Pregnancy Centers	Jackie Selles and Loretta Harbin
Cities 4 Life	Jessica Mauney
Brookstone Schools	Kelly Fox

MOPC Schedules		
	<u>Today</u>	<u>Next Sunday</u>
Ambassadors	Romeo / Adams	Freeman / Shepherd
Nursery – AM	Ashley T & Lyuda E	Christina D & Pam D
Nursery – SS	Amber Snapp	Amber Snapp
Nursery – PM	Jessica M & Lorien S	Donna M & Mirabel C
Security - AM	Wesley Selles & Blaine F	Matt Snyder & Scott Groggel
Security - PM	Nathan B & Matt Snyder	Graham C & Patrick Surratt
Close-up	Nathaniel McGowan (March)	Henry Trice (April)

The Lord's Day, March 11, 2018

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*"Straight Teaching from
The Word of God"*