



MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.

SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2020

9:00am *livestream / indoors – must RSVP*
10:30am *outdoors – please bring your own chair*

Welcome/Prayer	Pastor Kevin
Songs to God	Worship Team
Bible Teaching	Pastor Josh
Song of Reflection	Worship Team

As a courtesy to others, please keep your mask on before and after the service. You are welcome to take it off while seated. Thanks!

Special Upcoming Opportunities

CHILDCARE & KIDS CHURCH RESUME SEPT 20th: Starting Sun 9/20, we will be moving **indoors** for **two services at 9:00 & 11:00AM**; we aim to provide children's ministries at 11am. To watch the video introducing new protocols, or to complete survey for families and/or volunteers, contact Molly St. John (molly@openarmschurch.com).

LUNCH ON THE LAWN #3 – SEPT 13TH 11:30am: Invite friends to bring their chairs to the 10:30 outdoor service and stay for an OAC-provided lunch of subs, chips, cookies, & bottled water.

INSTITUTE CLASS: UNDERSTANDING THE OLD TESTAMENT
Discover the overall message of the OT and how to understand its different books. **Starting Sept 21st**, join Pastor Kevin on Monday nights @ 7pm in the worship center or watch on YouTube. This class will provide helpful OT background for our journey through Hebrews on Sunday mornings. **Register online today!**

DISCOVERING OPEN ARMS LUNCHEON – SEPT 27th 12:30-3pm: This quarterly seminar is designed to help new friends take the next step to know our vision, values, & beliefs. Learn how we're organized & how to get connected! A prerequisite for membership & serving. Led by our pastors; pizza lunch will be served. **Enroll online today!**

Everyday Life at OAC

BAPTISM: Baptism is a special time to celebrate your journey of faith & obedience to Christ. Contact a pastor to express interest.

PRAYER: Visit the 'Resources' tab on our website at any time to express a prayer need. Join with others for prayer on Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the Kids Church room (Education wing).

GIVING OPTIONS: 1) Online giving available via link on 'Resources' tab on website. 2) Checks can be mailed to 2714 Curry Rd, Sch 12303. 3) Offering boxes located in worship center & main walkway.

For more information, visit our website:

OpenArmsChurch.com

Hearing + Trusting (Jesus) = Resting

Jesus is Better – So Persevere

Hebrews 4:1-13 ESV

¹ **Therefore, while the promise of entering His rest still stands, let us fear lest any of you should seem to have failed to reach it.** ² For good news came to us just as to them, but the message they heard did not benefit them, because they were not united by faith with those who listened. ³ For we who have believed enter that rest, as He has said, "As I swore in my wrath, 'They shall not enter my rest,'" although His works were finished from the foundation of the world. ⁴ For He has somewhere spoken of the seventh day in this way: "And God rested on the seventh day from all His works." ⁵ And again in this passage He said, "They shall not enter my rest."

⁶ **Since therefore it remains for some to enter it,** and those who formerly received the good news failed to enter because of disobedience, ⁷ again He appoints a certain day, "Today," saying through David so long afterward, in the words already quoted, "**Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts.**" ⁸ For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken of another day later on.

⁹ **So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God,** ¹⁰ for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from His. ¹¹ **Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience.** ¹² For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. ¹³ And no creature is hidden from His sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

How can we respond to this timeless warning?

1. Recognize that *trusting*, not just *hearing*, the word of God is necessary to enter His rest. (3a,6-7)
2. Let's make sure we – and others – don't follow in the footsteps of the disobedient. (1b,11)
3. Persevere with eager faith in Jesus (NOT works). (9-11a)