



MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.

OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

9:00am in person (RSVP) OR watch livestream  
11:00am in person (RSVP); children's ministries avail

<b>Welcome/Prayer</b>	Pastor John
<b>Songs to God</b>	Worship Team
<b>Bible Teaching</b>	Pastor Kevin
<b>Song of Reflection</b>	Worship Team

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

### Special Upcoming Opportunities

#### **INSTITUTE CLASS: UNDERSTANDING THE OLD TESTAMENT**

Discover the overall message of the OT and how to understand its different books. Join Pastor Kevin on Monday nights @ 7pm in the worship center OR on YouTube.com/openarmschurchnewyork

#### **ORDINATION SERVICE**

Join us at **2pm on Sun 10/18** at OAC for the ordination of Sean Nolan, church planter of Engage Church, Albany. Please RSVP to john@openarmschurch.com

#### **LORD'S SUPPER**

On **Sun, Oct 25<sup>th</sup>** we will share in the Lord's Supper together during both the 9am & 11am services using individually sealed packets of bread and juice. Those worshipping by live stream can pick up bread/juice packets from church building during drive-up times on Thurs, Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5-6:30pm or Fri, Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> from 2:00-3:30pm

### Everyday Life at OAC

**GROWTH / CONNECTIONS:** Desiring to grow in your faith? Want to connect with others around the application of God's Word? Let us know how we can serve you! Visit the 'Growing' tab to learn more.

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

**LORD'S SUPPER:** This time of reflection on Christ's death & future return is observed quarterly at OAC. A special benevolence offering is received to assist widows & others in need in our church family.

**MISSIONS:** To learn more about the missions that we engage in and how to get involved, visit the 'Missions' tab on our website.

**PRAYER:** Express a prayer need at any time via our website (under the 'Resources' tab). Join with others for prayer on Sundays 10:10-10:40am in the prayer room (last room on left in 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) Drop in offering boxes mounted by worship center doors.

*For more information, visit our website:*

OpenArmsChurch.com

## **A Better Mediator of a Better Covenant**

**Hebrews 8:1-13 ESV**

<sup>8:1</sup> Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, <sup>2</sup> a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man. <sup>3</sup> For every high priest is appointed to offer gifts and sacrifices; thus it is necessary for this priest also to have something to offer. <sup>4</sup> Now if he were on earth, he would not be a priest at all, since there are priests who offer gifts according to the law. <sup>5</sup> They serve a copy and shadow of the heavenly things. For when Moses was about to erect the tent, he was instructed by God, saying, "See that you make everything according to the pattern that was shown you on the mountain." (*Exodus 25:40*) <sup>6</sup> But as it is, **Christ has obtained a ministry that is as much more excellent than the old as the covenant he mediates is better**, since it is enacted on better promises. <sup>7</sup> For if that first covenant had been faultless, there would have been no occasion to look for a second.

<sup>8</sup> For he finds fault with them when he says: (*Jer 31:31-34*)

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will establish a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah,

<sup>9</sup> not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt.

For they did not continue in my covenant, and so I showed no concern for them, declares the Lord.

<sup>10</sup> For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord:

I will put my laws into their minds, and write them on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

<sup>11</sup> And they shall not teach, each one his neighbor and each one his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest.

<sup>12</sup> For I will be merciful toward their iniquities, and I will remember their sins no more."

<sup>13</sup> In speaking of a new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete. And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.