



MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.

NOVEMBER 29th, 2020

9:00am In person (RSVP) - or- watch livestream

11:00am In person (RSVP); children’s ministries available

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

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Thank you for impacting the lives of thousands of children by filling over 100 boxes and allowing us to serve as a regional drop-off center. Many thanks to Gail Ostrander, Kathy Spawn & Suzanne Goetz for overseeing each day of drop-off.

ANNUAL BUDGET/BUSINESS MEETING – SUNDAY DEC 6th 12:20pm
All invited to participate in the interactive discussion relevant to the 2021 budget submitted by our Finance Team. A review of 2020’s financial picture also to be discussed. All questions welcomed in this transparent process. Proposed budget available in foyer **today** – Public meeting on **Dec. 6th** – Private ballot vote on **Dec. 20th**.

CHRISTMAS EVE: Save the date! Join us for a candlelight service at either **4:30 or 6:00pm**. Invite family/friends. Children’s ministry!

Everyday Life at OAC

NEW GUESTS: PLEASE VISIT THE WELCOME BOOTH IN THE CAFÉ TO RECEIVE A GIFT FOR YOU/FAMILY AFTER THE SERVICE TODAY!

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.

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 on Sundays 10-10:40am for prayer in the last room on the left in the Education wing.

GIVING OPTIONS: (1) Online giving available via link on “Resources” tab on our website (2) Checks can be mailed to 2714 Curry Rd, Schdy 12303 (3) Drop in offering boxes mounted by Worship Center doors.

For more information, visit our website:

OpenArmsChurch.com

Living an Active Faith Despite Anxious Fears

(Hebrews 11:23-40 ESV)

²³By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. ²⁴By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward.

²⁷By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them. ²⁹By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned.

³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

³²And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets - ³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.

³⁵Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated— ³⁸of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. ³⁹And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

TAKEAWAYS

God’s always at work ahead of where He calls us to, so:

- 1) **Preserve** innocent life over self-protection & kings’ edicts **23**
- 2) **Flee** sin’s pleasure despite mistreatment (*Jesus is better*) **24-26**
- 3) **Trust** God in the impossible, but don’t presume **27-29**
- 4) **Patiently** obey His instruction; His ways are different. **30-31**
- 5) **Lift** up your eyes & set your hearts on Jesus like they did. **32-40**