



MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.

January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021

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

Welcome/Prayer	Pastor Josh
Baptism (9am service)	
Songs to God	Worship Team
Bible Teaching	Pastor Kevin
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

**2021 Ballot Results:** Budget affirmed – 99% / Officers affirmed – 97%. Thank you for participating in the process!

**UPCOMING INSTITUTE CLASS - "WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?"**  
**Wednesday nights from 7:00-8:30pm beginning Jan 13<sup>th</sup>**- Join the pastors for a discussion of current cultural issues from a biblical worldview. Topics will include role of government, sexuality, gender identity, racism, abortion & more. Class will meet every two weeks & will be live streamed @ [youtube.com/openarmschurchnewyork](https://youtube.com/openarmschurchnewyork)

**DISCOVERING OPEN ARMS CHURCH LUNCHEON:** Save the date!  
**January 17<sup>th</sup> 12:30-3:30pm.** An interactive workshop led by our pastors and designed to help new friends learn our purpose, passion, vision, core beliefs, and how to get connected and involved. A prerequisite for membership and serving. All questions welcomed. A pizza, fruit, and dessert lunch provided. **Please RSVP at [Openarmschurch.com](https://Openarmschurch.com) or sign up in foyer.**

### Everyday Life at OAC

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

**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 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](https://OpenArmsChurch.com)

## Priorities for 2021 - pt 2

*Hebrews 13:7-17 (ESV)*

<sup>7</sup> **Remember your leaders**, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and **imitate their faith**. <sup>8</sup> Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. <sup>9</sup> **Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for** it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. <sup>10</sup> We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. <sup>11</sup> For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. <sup>12</sup> So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. <sup>13</sup> Therefore **let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured**. <sup>14</sup> For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. <sup>15</sup> Through him then **let us continually offer up a sacrifice** of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. <sup>16</sup> Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

<sup>17</sup> **Obey your leaders and submit to them, for** they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with groaning, for that would be of no advantage to you.

**1) Imitate your leaders who trusted in Jesus.** v7-8

**2) Don't be led away from the grace of Jesus.** v8-12

**3) Go to Jesus outside the "camp."** v12-14

**4) Offer sacrifices of praise & good works.** v15-16

**5) Yield to leaders who watch over your souls.** v17