



MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.

10:00am – December 11th, 2022

Children’s Ministry (*birth – 6th grade*) available

Welcome/Prayer	Pastor John
Worship in Singing	Worship Team
<i>* 5th-6th graders leave for class (last room on left in Education Wing)</i>	
Bible Teaching	Pastor Kevin
Worship in Singing	Worship Team

Special Upcoming Opportunities

DEACON NOMINATIONS: The following men accepted the church family’s nomination to serve through 2025: (Benevolence) Rich Billington, Jeff Nuding, Bob Collins, (Facilities) Dave St. John, Wayne Armstrong, Jeff Monte, Jeff Gill, Lou Marrongelli, and Brian Helf. New deacons will be ordained early next year.

‘DISCOVERING OPEN ARMS’ LUNCHEON: Today @ 11:30-2:30pm
Led by our pastors, this qrtly workshop is designed for new guests to learn our heartbeat, values, & core beliefs. Find out how to get more connected! (*lunch served; GF/DF options*). **Sign up in foyer today!**

CHRISTMAS CHOIR: Will sing on 12/18 10am and 12/24 4:30pm. Rehearsal **Today** following service.

MEN’S BASKETBALL: Mon nights 7-9pm

CO-ED VOLLEYBALL: Tue nights 6:30-8:30pm

Everyday Life at OAC

NEW GUESTS: Please visit the **Welcome Booth** in café after service to receive a gift! We also invite you to fill out the **Connection Card** (*seat pocket in front of you*) and drop in the box at the **Booth in cafe**.

GROWTH / CONNECTIONS: Desiring to grow in your faith? Want to connect with others around the life application of God’s Word? Let us know how we can connect/support you! *website tab: GROWING*

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

EVERYBODY SERVES: Let us help you serve the Lord as you serve others; 30+ ways to make a difference! *website tab: REACHING*

PRAYER: Join with others on **Sundays 9-9:40am** and/or the **2nd & 4th Tuesdays 6:30pm** in the last room on the left in the Education wing.

GIVING OPTIONS: 1) Drop in offering boxes by worship center doors
2) Check by mail. 3) Utilize e-giving link. *website tab: RESOURCES*

For more information & other opportunities, visit us at:

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A Humbling Promise

Promises Made – 2 Samuel 7:1-29 (ESV)

1) An example (1-3)

2) A promise (4-17)

3) A response (18-29)

(Scripture on Back)

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¹ Now when the king lived in his house and the LORD had given him rest from all his surrounding enemies, ² the king said to Nathan the prophet, “See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells in a tent.” ³ And Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that is in your heart, for the LORD is with you.”

⁴ But that same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, ⁵ “Go and tell my servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD: **Would you build me a house to dwell in?**’ ⁶ I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent for my dwelling. ⁷ In all places where I have moved with all the people of Israel, did I speak a word with any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?”” ⁸ Now, therefore, thus you shall say to my servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel. ⁹ And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. ¹⁰ And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, ¹¹ from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, **the LORD declares to you that the LORD will make you a house.** ¹² When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. ¹⁴ I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, ¹⁵ but my steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. ¹⁶ And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever.”” ¹⁷ In accordance with all these words, and in accordance with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

¹⁸ Then King David went in and sat before the LORD and said, “**Who am I, O Lord GOD**, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far?” ¹⁹ And yet this was a small thing in your eyes, O Lord GOD. You have spoken also of your servant's house for a great while to come, and this is instruction for mankind, O Lord GOD! ²⁰ And what more can David say to you? For you know your servant, O Lord GOD! ²¹ Because of your promise, and according to your own heart, you have brought about all this greatness, to make your servant know it. ²² **Therefore you are great, O LORD God. For there is none like you, and there is no God besides you**, according to all that we have heard with our ears. ²³ And who is like your people Israel, the one nation on earth whom God went to redeem to be his people, making himself a name and doing for

them great and awesome things by driving out before your people, whom you redeemed for yourself from Egypt, a nation and its gods? ²⁴ And you established for yourself your people Israel to be your people forever. And you, O LORD, became their God. ²⁵ And now, O LORD God, confirm forever the word that you have spoken concerning your servant and concerning his house, and do as you have spoken. ²⁶ **And your name will be magnified forever**, saying, ‘The LORD of hosts is God over Israel,’ and the house of your servant David will be established before you. ²⁷ For you, O LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, have made this revelation to your servant, saying, ‘I will build you a house.’ Therefore your servant has found courage to pray this prayer to you. ²⁸ And now, O Lord GOD, you are God, and your words are true, and you have promised this good thing to your servant. ²⁹ Now therefore may it please you to bless the house of your servant, so that it may continue forever before you. For you, O Lord GOD, have spoken, and with your blessing shall the house of your servant be blessed forever.”

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