



MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.

10:00am – October 1st, 2023

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

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

Special Upcoming Opportunities

DISCOVERING OPEN ARMS Luncheon: Sun Oct 29th 11:30-2:30pm An opportunity to learn: our vision, beliefs, history & future direction Hear how to connect/grow in your faith w/others. Led by the pastors. Pizza lunch included (GF option). **Sign up online or in foyer today!**

NEW PLAYGROUND COMING! Volunteers needed to help Deacons take down old playground & prepare ground for larger one **this Sat (Oct 7th) 8:30am**. Parents of little ones especially welcomed!

ORDINATION SERVICE: Sun 10/15 for Brian Helf & Wil Kent

INDOOR SPORTS/REC:

- Mon:** Men’s Basketball - 7-9pm. Tim Stuitje (*starts 10/16*)
- Tues:** Kid’s Playdate 10-noon Tiffani Stuitje: tnt.stuitje@gmail.com
- Tues:** Coed volleyball - 6:30-8:30pm. Kevin Ellwood: 315-269-6433
- Wed:** Coed pickleball - 6:30-8:30pm. Tim & Tiffani Stuitje (*this wk!*)

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) & drop in the box at the Booth in cafe.**

SPIRITUAL GROWTH: “Where am I now with Jesus? What would help me to move forward with Him?” Whatever your answer, we’d love to partner with you! (resources, connections, etc.) *website: /reaching*

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: /ministries*

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) Use link on website / app. *website: /egiving*

For more information & other opportunities, visit us at:

OpenArmsChurch.com

YouTube [openarmschurchnewyork](https://www.youtube.com/openarmschurchnewyork)

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For the latest happenings with the new church plant, visit:

FiresideChurchNY.com

Rejoice in God’s deliverance!

God at Work – Acts 16:6-40 (ESV)

⁶ And they [*Paul & Silas*] went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. ⁷ And when they had come up to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. ⁸ So, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. ⁹ And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, “Come over to Macedonia and help us.” ¹⁰ And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. ¹¹ So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, ¹² and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. ¹³ And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. ¹⁴ One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. **The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul.** ¹⁵ **And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.”** And she prevailed upon us.

¹⁶ As we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by fortune-telling. ¹⁷ She followed Paul and us, crying out, “These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation.” ¹⁸ And this she kept doing for many days. Paul, having become greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” **And it came out that very hour.**

¹⁹ But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers. ²⁰ And when they had brought them to the magistrates, they said, “These men are Jews, and they are disturbing our city. ²¹ They advocate customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to accept or practice.” ²² The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. ²³ And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, ordering the jailer to keep them safely. ²⁴ Having received this order, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

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²⁵ **About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God,** and the prisoners were listening to them,
²⁶ and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken. And immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bonds were unfastened. ²⁷ When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. ²⁸ But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." ²⁹ And the jailer called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas. ³⁰ Then he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"

³¹ And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." ³² And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. ³³ And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their wounds; and he was baptized at once, he and all his family. ³⁴ Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them. And **he rejoiced along with his entire household that he had believed in God.**

³⁵ But when it was day, the magistrates sent the police, saying, "Let those men go." ³⁶ And the jailer reported these words to Paul, saying, "The magistrates have sent to let you go. Therefore come out now and go in peace." ³⁷ But Paul said to them, "They have beaten us publicly, uncondemned, men who are Roman citizens, and have thrown us into prison; and do they now throw us out secretly? No! Let them come themselves and take us out." ³⁸ The police reported these words to the magistrates, and they were afraid when they heard that they were Roman citizens. ³⁹ So they came and apologized to them. And they took them out and asked them to leave the city.

⁴⁰ So they went out of the prison and visited Lydia. And when they had seen the brothers, they encouraged them and departed.