

MAKING JESUS KNOWN - TOGETHER.

10:00am - October 22nd, 2023 Children's Ministry (birth – 6th grade) available

Welcome/Prayer Pastor John Worship in Song Worship Team **Bible Teaching Pastor Brian** Presentation Rich Billington Dave St. John

Please join us in the café for an Apple Cider Donut Reception

Special Upcoming Opportunities

DISCOVERING OPEN ARMS Luncheon: Sun Oct 29th 11:30-2:30pm An opportunity to learn: our vision, beliefs, history and future direction. Hear how to connect/grow in your faith w/others, and serve God with joy. Pizza lunch included (GF option). Sign up online or in foyer today! LADIES PAINT & SIP (Coffee/tea) Saturday Nov 4th 10-1pm in Café. Painting from Psalm 1:3. \$30 (covers painting supplies). Bring a dish to share. Contact Donna Shappy to know more: dshappy87@gmail.com SPIRITUAL GROWTH: Many groups are meeting throughout the week with various focus (see days/times/topics on back of program). Pastor John will help find grp for you: john@openarmschurch.com.

INDOOR SPORTS/REC:

Mon: Men's Basketball 7-9:30pm. Tim Stuitje: tim.stuitje@gmail.com 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 - 6:30-9:00pm. Tim & Tiffani Stuitje.

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.

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

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Making the Gospel Connection

Acts 17:16-34 ESV

¹⁶Now while Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, "What does this babbler wish to say?" Others said, "He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities"—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting? 20 For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean. ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription: 'To the unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸ for: In him we live and move and have our being' as even some of your own poets have said, "'For we are indeed his offspring.'

²⁹Being then God's offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. 30 The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

³²Now when they heard of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked. But others said, "We will hear you again about this." ³³So Paul went out from their midst. ³⁴But some men joined him and believed, among whom also were Dionysius the Areopagite and a woman named Damaris and others with them.

- 1) Why do we share the gospel?
- 2) How do we share the gospel?
- 3) Do we believe the gospel?

Ways to Get Connected During the Week!

Opportunities to connect with others & grow in your faith Pastor John will help find a grp for you: john@openarmschurch.com.

Mondays:

1) Men's Group 6:00-7:30PM.

Topic: Growing as a Godly Man

Facilitator: Jeff Monte & Friends

Meet in Kids Church

Tuesdays:

2) Coed 6:00-7:30PM. Every other Tues (10/24; 11/14; 11/28; 12/12) Topic: Book of Colossians: That in All Things Jesus has 1st Place

Facilitator: Pastor John Meet in Kids Church

Wednesdays:

3) Coed 10:00-12:00noon.

Topic: Digging into previous Sunday's Scripture text

Facilitator: Gordon Tucker Meet in Kids Church

4) Coed 6:30-8:00PM.

Topic: Understanding the Old Testament

Facilitator: Pastor Kevin Meet in Kids Church

Thursdays:

5) Men's Group 6:00-7:30PM. (every other Thurs.)

Topic: Various Bible Topics Facilitator: Mark Dahl Meet in Kids Church

6) Women's Group 6:30-8:00PM. (every other Thurs.)

Topic: An overview study of the Minor Prophets

Facilitator: Donna Shappy

Meet in Café