



**MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.**

10:00am – May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Children’s Ministry (*birth – 6<sup>th</sup> grade*) available

<b>Welcome/Prayer</b>	Pastor Brian
<b>Worship in Song</b>	Worship Team
(5-6 <sup>th</sup> graders dismissed for class – last room on left in education wing)	
<b>Bible Teaching</b>	Pastor John
<b>Worship in Song</b>	Worship Team

**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.**

**Special Upcoming Opportunities**

**PRACTICAL OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE:** Cleaning Team (*once a week for 90 minutes – day/time TBD*). Landscape Team (*mow lawn/edging, water plants*). Mercy/Care Team (*as needed: rides/shop/visit seniors & shut ins*). Meals Ministry (*on call/online communication*). Kids Ministry - Assistants (*serve alongside leaders/teachers once a month*). SIGN UP IN FOYER IF INTERESTED TO KNOW MORE – NO OBLIGATION.

**LADIES RETREAT @ OPEN ARMS CHURCH: Sat-Sun, May 17-18<sup>th</sup>**  
Designed for the ladies of Open Arms to get connected! All 14+ invited. Starts Friday w/Dessert Fellowship at 6:30pm. Be back Sat. for a Continental Breakfast at 8:30am. See info flyer & sign up in foyer. Cost \$15 - **due by 5/12**. Financial help available, see Ann Ando

**DISCOVERING OPEN ARMS LUNCHEON: Sun, June 2<sup>nd</sup> 11:30-2:30pm.**  
For new friends to learn the heartbeat, vision, and core beliefs of OAC as well as how to get connected with others in Growth Groups. The next step for membership & serving. Sign up in foyer – Free lunch!

**KID’S PLAYDATE – Tues. from 10-noon.** Bring bikes/trikes! Contact Tiffani Stuitje for more information: [tnt.stuitje@gmail.com](mailto:tnt.stuitje@gmail.com)

**Everyday Life at OAC**

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

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

**YOUTH GROUP:** Teens in 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade invited Sunday evenings from 6-8pm for teaching/connections/snacks/games. *website: /youth*

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



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



Open Arms Church



[openarmschurchny](https://www.instagram.com/openarmschurchny)



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

**FiresideChurchNY.com**

*Sunday AM services at Glenville Senior Center begin July 7th*

**Growth Groups**

*Opportunities to connect with others & grow in your faith.*

*Be a part of a group that fits your schedule/interest*

*Email [pastorjohn@openarmchurch.com](mailto:pastorjohn@openarmchurch.com) for more info!*

**TUESDAY**

**1) The Person and Power of the Holy Spirit:** (Men & Women)  
Embracing a culture of prayer.

**Begins June 4<sup>th</sup> -- Sign ups begins May 19<sup>th</sup>**

Facilitated by Pastor John

6:00-7:30 p.m. at the church building (kid’s church)

Meets weekly – (Come early for pizza dinner)

**WEDNESDAY**

**2) The Person and Power of the Holy Spirit:** (Men & Women)  
Embracing a culture of prayer.

**Begins June 5<sup>th</sup> – Sign ups begin May 19<sup>th</sup>**

Facilitated by Pastor John

10:00-11:30 a.m. at the church building (kid’s church)

Meets weekly – (Come early for continental breakfast)

**THURSDAY**

**3) Aging Well:** (Men & Women)

Discover God’s plan for us as we grow older.

Facilitated by Pastor Kevin

10:00-11:30 a.m. at the church building (kid’s church)

Meets weekly through May

**4) Wholehearted Living for Jesus:** (Men’s group)

An interactive Bible study for men of all ages.

Facilitated by Mark Dahl & Mike Micheli

6:00-7:30 p.m. at the church building (Kids Church)

Meets every other week

**FRIDAY**

**5) When Memory Issues Hit Home:** (Women’s group)

A biblical support group for women walking with family or friends experiencing signs of dementia or Alzheimer’s.

Facilitated by Ann Ando

10:00-11:30 a.m. at church building in the Cafe

Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays through May

**6) Sermon Discussion Group:** (Men’s group)

Interactive discussion of the Sunday teaching text.

Facilitated by Bob Baker & Bob Lemay

6:30-8:00pm at the church building (Kids Church)

Meets every other week

## God's Working Behind the Scenes!

Exodus: God Rescues to Make Himself Known

Exodus 2:1-22 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup>Now a man from the house of Levi went and took as his wife a Levite woman. <sup>2</sup>The woman conceived and bore a son, and when she saw that he was a fine child she hid him three months. <sup>3</sup>When she could hide him no longer, she took for him a basket made of bulrushes and daubed it with bitumen and pitch. She put the child in it and placed it among the reeds by the riverbank. <sup>4</sup>And his sister stood at a distance to know what would be done to him. <sup>5</sup>Now the daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her young women walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her servant woman, and she took it. <sup>6</sup>When she opened it, she saw the child, and behold, the baby was crying. She took pity on him and said, "This is one of the Hebrews' children." <sup>7</sup>Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Shall I go and call you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?" <sup>8</sup>And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Go." So the girl went and called the child's mother. <sup>9</sup>And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child away and nurse him for me, and I will give you your wages." So the woman took the child and nursed him. <sup>10</sup>When the child grew older, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, because, she said: I drew him out of the water.

<sup>11</sup>One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and looked on their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his people. <sup>12</sup>He looked this way and that, and seeing no one, he struck down the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. <sup>13</sup>When he went out the next day, behold, two Hebrews were struggling together. And he said to the man in the wrong, "Why do you strike your companion?" <sup>14</sup>He answered, "Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?" Then Moses was afraid, and thought, Surely the thing is known. <sup>15</sup>When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from Pharaoh and stayed in the land of Midian. And he sat down by a well.

<sup>16</sup>Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters, and they came and drew water and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. <sup>17</sup>The shepherds came and drove them away, but Moses stood up and saved them, and watered their flock. <sup>18</sup>When they came home to their father Reuel (*Jethro*), he said, "How is it that you have come home so soon today?" <sup>19</sup>They said, "An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds and even drew water for us and watered the flock." <sup>20</sup>He said to his daughters, "Then where is he? Why have you left the man? Call him, that he may eat bread." <sup>21</sup>And Moses was content to dwell with the man, and he gave Moses his daughter Zipporah. <sup>22</sup>She gave birth to a son, and he called his name Gershom, for he said, "I've been a sojourner in a foreign land."

### **The world can be a destructive and despairing place but God makes a way where there seems to be no way...**

- 1) God works out His plan even as others make their choices.  
v1-10
- 2) Moses sought to rescue and was rejected just like Jesus.  
(Acts 7: Stephen declares Moses as a 'type' of Jesus) v11-15
- 3) Troubles that land us in the wilderness often prepare us.  
v16-22

*"By 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. By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin."*

**Hebrews 11:23-25**