



**MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.**

10:00am – September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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

- Welcome/Prayer** Pastor Brian
- Songs of Worship** Worship Team  
*(5-6<sup>th</sup> grade leave for class in Edu Wing, last room on left)*
- Message** Pastor Kevin
- Song of Worship** Worship Team

**NEW GUESTS:** Please visit Welcome Booth for more info & a free gift

**Special Upcoming Opportunities**

**OAC LADIES COFFEE, TEA & FELLOWSHIP:** Sat 9/28 9:30–11am  
Join us to connect, pray & to get to know one another better. If interested in coming, contact Ann Ando [ann@openarmschurch.com](mailto:ann@openarmschurch.com)

**CHAIR TEAM SIGNUP:** Volunteer once a month on Saturday morning to help move chairs so that others can enjoy sports during the week. Sign up in the foyer for kick-off meeting on Saturday, Sept 21<sup>st</sup> at 8am – breakfast will be served. Questions? [tim.stuitje@gmail.com](mailto:tim.stuitje@gmail.com)

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD DONATION BOX:** Each month through October we will be collecting items such as school supplies, personal care & other needs. See flyers by box in foyer for details. Children’s Church will use items to fill OCC boxes in November.

**“ASPIRE” WOMENS EVENT:** 6-9pm Saturday, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> @ Open Arms Evening of laughter, learning, & music shared by a visiting team. Tickets (\$25) on sale in foyer each Sunday in Oct (make checks out to: Extreme Faith Productions). Info @ [apirewomensevents.com](http://apirewomensevents.com)

**WEEKEND TO REMEMBER MARRIAGE CONFERENCE:** Nov 22-24th Saratoga Hilton. 1/2 price cost of \$87.50/person available until 9/16  
**See flyer in foyer** contact Kevin Ellwood at [ellwoodkt@gmail.com](mailto:ellwoodkt@gmail.com). Register @ [WeekendtoRemember.com](http://WeekendtoRemember.com) / use Groupcode: Ellwoods

**KID’S PLAYDATE** – Tuesdays 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**

- YouTube [openarmschurchnewyork](https://www.youtube.com/openarmschurchnewyork)
- Open Arms Church
- [openarmschurchny](https://www.instagram.com/openarmschurchny)
- OpenArms\_NY

*For the latest w/the Glenville church plant, visit:*  
**FiresideChurchNY.com**

**Important Ministry Questions**

2 Corinthians: God’s Power in Our Weakness  
3:1–6 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or do we need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you, or from you? <sup>2</sup> You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. <sup>3</sup> And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

<sup>4</sup> Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. <sup>5</sup> Not that we are sufficient in ourselves to claim anything as coming from us, but our sufficiency is from God, <sup>6</sup> who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

1) Credentials? (1-3)

2) Competence? (4-6)

*(Next week’s passage: 2 Corinthians 3:7-18)*

# Fall Growth Groups

*New opportunities to connect with others & grow in your faith*

## MONDAY

- 1) Sermon Discussion Group:** (Men's group)  
Interactive discussion of the Sunday sermon/passage.  
Facilitated by Jeff Monte  
5:30-6:45 p.m. at the church building (Kid's Church)  
Meets weekly beginning September 23<sup>rd</sup>

## TUESDAY

- 2) In View of God's Mercies:** (Women's group)  
The gift of the gospel in the book of Romans. Discover how the gospel changes our eternal future and our present reality.  
Facilitated by Kirsten Baker & Lisa Bailey  
6:00-7:30 p.m. at the church building (prayer room)  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>
- 3) 10 Questions to Diagnose Your Spiritual Health:** (Men/Women)  
No matter where you are in your walk with Christ, learn how to do a self-check on your spiritual wellbeing.  
Facilitated by Pastor Brian  
6:00-7:30pm at the church building (Kid's Church)  
Meets weekly beginning September 24<sup>th</sup>

## WEDNESDAY

- 4) Sermon Discussion Group:** (Men & Women)  
Connect with others and discuss Sunday sermon/passage.  
Facilitated by Gordon Tucker  
10:00-11:30 a.m. at the church building (Kid's Church)  
Meets weekly beginning September 11<sup>th</sup>
- 5) The Engagement Project:** (Men & Women)  
Learning to engage culture with the truth of God's Word  
Facilitated by Anthony Kovel & Lon Walker  
6:30-8:00 p.m. at homes in Rotterdam & Niskayuna  
Meets weekly beginning September 4<sup>th</sup>
- 6) Sermon Discussion Group:** (Men & Women)  
Connect with others and discuss Sunday sermon/passage.  
Facilitated by Jeff & Nancy Nuding, Jeff & Robin Gill  
6:30-8:00 p.m. at the church building (Kid's Church)  
Meets every other week beginning September 25<sup>th</sup>

## THURSDAY

- 7) We Are Men:** (Men's group)  
A biblical perspective on godly manhood.  
Facilitated by Mark Dahl & Michael Micheli  
6:00-7:30 p.m. at the church building (Kid's Church)  
Meets every other week beginning September 19<sup>th</sup>

## FRIDAY

- 8) Back to Basics:** (Women's group)  
Essentials of the Christian life for seasoned and new believers alike.  
Facilitated by Ann Ando  
9:30-11:00 a.m. at church building in the cafe  
Meets every other week beginning September 13<sup>th</sup>
- 9) Sermon Discussion Group:** (Men)  
Interactive discussion of the Sunday sermon/passage.  
Facilitated by Bob Baker & Bob Lemay  
6:30-8pm at 2910 Pattersonville Rynex Rd, Pattersonville  
Meets every other week beginning September 27<sup>th</sup>
- 10) Sermon Discussion Group:** (Men & Women)  
Interactive discussion of the Sunday sermon/passage.  
Facilitated by Kevin & Becca Ellwood  
6:30-8:00 p.m. at 3634 Guilderland Ave, Rotterdam  
Meets weekly beginning September 20<sup>th</sup>

**Sign up at tables in Worship Center today!**