



## MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER

10:00am – December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

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

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

**NEW GUESTS:** Visit our **Welcome Booth** for more information and gift

### Special Upcoming Opportunities

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE:** Tues., Dec 24<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30pm. We hope you will join us as we celebrate the birth of our Savior. Invite your family and friends as we worship with Christmas songs and look at the story of the birth of Jesus. Invitation cards are available in the foyer.

**YOUTH GROUP:** Kevin Ellwood has been voted in as our new part time Youth Director and will be on staff beginning January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**2025 BUDGET:** The 2025 budget that was proposed has passed. Thank you to all members for your faithfulness to attend the annual meeting and complete our process with your vote.

#### **INDOOR SPORTS/REC:**

**Mon:** Men's Basketball –7-9pm Andrew Knapp: knappsterx@gmail.com  
**Tues:** Kid's Playdate – 10am-12pm Tiffanie Stuitje: tnt.stuitje@gmail.com  
**Tues:** Coed Volleyball – 6:30-8:30 Kevin Ellwood: 315.269.6433

### Everyday Life at OAC

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

**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/connection/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*

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## Growth Groups

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

### TUESDAY

#### 1) **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 through Jan 21<sup>st</sup>

### FRIDAY

#### 3) **Sermon Discussion Group:** (Men)

Interactive discussion of the Sunday sermon/passage.

Facilitated by Bob Baker & Bob Lemay

6:30-8pm at 2862 Pattersonville Rynex Rd, Pattersonville

Meets every other week through May 2025

Additional Growth Groups will begin after the New Year

Contact Pastor Brian for help in joining a group  
[brian@openarmschurch.com](mailto:brian@openarmschurch.com)

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

## Why We Give Thanks

Psalm 136

<sup>1</sup>Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever.***

<sup>2</sup>Give thanks to the God of gods,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever.***

<sup>3</sup>Give thanks to the Lord of lords,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever.***

<sup>4</sup>to him who alone does great wonders,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>5</sup>to him who by understanding made the heavens,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>6</sup>to him who spread out the earth above the waters,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>7</sup>to him who made the great lights,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>8</sup>the sun to rule over the day,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>9</sup>the moon and stars to rule over the night,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>10</sup>to him who struck down the firstborn of Egypt,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>11</sup>and brought Israel out from among them,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>12</sup>with a strong hand and an outstretched arm,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>13</sup>to him who divided the Red Sea in two,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>14</sup>and made Israel pass through the midst of it,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>15</sup>but overthrew Pharaoh and his host in the Red Sea,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>16</sup>to him who led his people through the wilderness,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>17</sup>to him who struck down great kings,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>18</sup>and killed mighty kings,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>19</sup>Sihon, king of the Amorites,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>20</sup>and Og, king of Bashan,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>21</sup>and gave their land as a heritage,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>22</sup>a heritage to Israel his servant,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever.***

<sup>23</sup>It is he who remembered us in our low estate,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>24</sup>and rescued us from our foes,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever;***

<sup>25</sup>he who gives food to all flesh,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever.***

<sup>26</sup>Give thanks to the God of heaven,  
***for his steadfast love endures forever.***

1) Steadfast Love

2) Give Thanks

Romans 8:38-39 For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Christmas Eve passage: Isaiah 9:6)