



Following Jesus Together

10:00am – March 2nd, 2025

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

Welcome/Prayer	Pastor Brian
Songs of Worship <i>(5-6th graders invited to class in Edu Wing, last room on left)</i>	Worship Team
Message	Pastor Kevin
Song of Worship	Worship Team

NEW GUESTS: Visit the Welcome Booth for more information and a gift

Special Upcoming Opportunities

CHURCH FAMILY POTLUCK: Friday, March 14th @ 6pm. Good food, fun, and fellowship for the whole family. Save the date and if you're able to join us go to openarmschurch.com/potluck to RSVP.

GROWTH GROUPS: Opportunities to connect with others and explore the Bible in smaller groups. See groups listed to the right.

SAVE THE DATE: Women's Retreat @ OAC April 26th

INDOOR SPORTS/REC:

Mon: Men's Basketball –7-9pm Andrew Knapp: knappster@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 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 6:30pm in the last room on the left in the Education wing.

YOUTH GROUP: Teens in 7th-12th 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 *website: /egiving*

For more information & other opportunities, visit us at:

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Winter Growth Groups

Opportunities to connect with others & grow in your faith

TUESDAY

- 1) The Gospel of John:** (Women's group)
A Bible Study by Melissa Spoelstra
Facilitated by Kirsten Baker & Lisa Bailey
6:00-7:30pm at the church building (Prayer Room)
Meets on 1st, 3rd & 5th Tuesdays
- 2) Psalm 23 – The Shepherd with Me:** (Women's group)
A Bible study by Jennifer Rothschild
Facilitated by Jolee Helf
10:00-11:30am at 2193 New Scotland Rd, Slingerlands
Meets weekly
- 3) Prayer Meeting:** (Men & Women)
6:30pm at the church building (Prayer Room)
Meets on 2nd & 4th Tuesdays

WEDNESDAY

- 4) Hebrews:** (Men & Women)
A NavPress LifeChange Study
Facilitated by Anthony & Linda Kovel,
Lon & Heather Walker
6:30-8:30pm @ alternating homes in
Rotterdam/Niskayuna
Meets weekly
- 5) Galatians:** (Men & Women)
Facilitated by Brian Helf
10:00am at the church building
Meets weekly
- 6) Galatians:** (Men & Women)
Facilitated by Brian Helf
6:30pm at the church building
Meets weekly

THURSDAY

- 7) We Are Men:** (Men's Group)
A biblical perspective on godly manhood
Facilitated by Mark Dahl
6:00-7:30 p.m. at the church building (Kid's Church)
Meets every other week

FRIDAY

- 8) Sermon Discussion Group:** (Men's group)
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
- 9) 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 1st & 3rd Fridays

For help connecting with a group contact Pastor Brian

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There is a Redeemer

Book of Ruth: The Lord Shows His Kindness
Chapter 4 (ESV)

¹ Now Boaz had gone up to the gate and sat down there. And behold, the redeemer, of whom Boaz had spoken, came by. So Boaz said, "Turn aside, friend; sit down here." And he turned aside and sat down. ² And he took ten men of the elders of the city and said, "Sit down here." So they sat down. ³ Then he said to the redeemer, "Naomi, who has come back from the country of Moab, is selling the parcel of land that belonged to our relative Elimelech. ⁴ So I thought I would tell you of it and say, Buy it in the presence of those sitting here and in the presence of the elders of my people.' If you will redeem it, redeem it. But if you will not, tell me, that I may know, for there is no one besides you to redeem it, and I come after you." And he said, "I will redeem it." ⁵ Then Boaz said, "The day you buy the field from the hand of Naomi, you also acquire Ruth the Moabite, the widow of the dead, in order to perpetuate the name of the dead in his inheritance." ⁶ Then the redeemer said, "I cannot redeem it for myself, lest I impair my own inheritance. Take my right of redemption yourself, for I cannot redeem it." (*Lev 25; Deut 25*)

⁷ Now this was the custom in former times in Israel concerning redeeming and exchanging: to confirm a transaction, the one drew off his sandal and gave it to the other, and this was the manner of attesting in Israel. ⁸ So when the redeemer said to Boaz, "Buy it for yourself," he drew off his sandal. ⁹ Then Boaz said to the elders and all the people, "You are witnesses this day that I have bought from the hand of Naomi all that belonged to Elimelech and all that belonged to Chilion and to Mahlon. ¹⁰ Also Ruth the Moabite, the widow of Mahlon, I have bought to be my wife, to perpetuate the name of the dead in his inheritance, that the name of the dead may not be cut off from among his brothers and from the gate of his native place. You are witnesses this day." ¹¹ Then all the people who were at the gate and the elders said, "We are witnesses. May the LORD make the woman, who is coming into your house, like Rachel and Leah, who together built up the house of Israel. May you act worthily in Ephrathah and be renowned in Bethlehem, ¹² and may your house be like the house of Perez, whom Tamar bore to Judah, because of the offspring that the LORD will give you by this young woman."

¹³ So Boaz took Ruth, and she became his wife. And he went in to her, and the LORD gave her conception, and she bore a son. ¹⁴ Then the women said to Naomi, "Blessed be the LORD, who has not left you this day without a redeemer, and may his name be renowned in Israel! ¹⁵ He shall be to you a restorer of life and a nourisher of your old age, for your daughter-in-law who loves you, who is more to you than seven sons, has given birth to him." ¹⁶ Then Naomi took the child and laid him on her lap and became his nurse. ¹⁷ And the women of the neighborhood gave him a name, saying, "A son has been born to Naomi." They named him Obed. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

¹⁸ Now these are the generations of Perez: Perez fathered Hezron, ¹⁹ Hezron fathered Ram, Ram fathered Amminadab, ²⁰ Amminadab fathered Nahshon, Nahshon fathered Salmon, ²¹ Salmon fathered Boaz, Boaz fathered Obed, ²² Obed fathered Jesse, and Jesse fathered David.

1) There is a Redeemer who loves sacrificially. (1-12)

2) There is a Redeemer who restores. (13-17)

3) There is a Redeemer who rescues. (18-22)
(see also Matthew 1:3-17,21)

(Next week's passage: Psalm 67)