

THEHAVEN



A Congregation of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church

**Meeting at Ascension Lutheran Church,
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*Then they were glad that the waters were quiet
and He brought them to their desired haven.*

Psalm 107:30

**The Lord's Day
June 2, 2019
A Service of Covenant Renewal
4:30 p.m.**

† **A warm welcome to our visitors:** If this is your first visit, we invite you to sign the guest register at the welcome table in the foyer. Your name and contact information will be kept strictly confidential, and used only for personal contact with you and your family. Please also accept our Welcome Pack for first time guests. Learn more about The Haven, OPC and why we want you to come back and be part of this growing community of people learning about Jesus Christ as the Great Haven. Also, please join us in the gymnasium for Haven Food and Fellowship after this afternoon's worship service and Open Forum.

† **Our Sunday Schedule:**

4:30 p.m. Worship/Outreach

5:45 p.m. Open Forum for adults (remain in the sanctuary)
Young Disciples Meetings (children through grade 4 will follow our Bible School staff to their classroom.)

6:20 p.m. The Haven Food and Fellowship in the gymnasium.

† **Nursery** is available during worship for children ages 2 and under. Please speak to one of the greeters if you wish to use the nursery for your child. If you'd like to volunteer for nursery duty, speak with Margaret Shishko.

† The concept of "**covenant renewal**" is beautifully introduced in our Directory for Public Worship: *"The triune God assembles his covenant people for public worship in order to manifest and renew their covenant bond with him and one another. The Holy Spirit engages them and draws them into the Father's presence as a living sacrifice in Christ. God himself has fellowship with them, strengthening and guiding them for life in his presence and service in his kingdom."*

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† **The Haven, OPC** is a home mission work of the Presbytery of Connecticut and Southern New York, Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC). For more information on the Orthodox Presbyterian Church: www.opc.org For more information about this church, visit our website: www.thehavenli.com

Worship/Outreach
The Lord's Day — Sunday, June 2, 2019
Worship 4:30 PM
Preparation for Worship: Psalm 4:1-8

THE LORD OUR GOD CALLS US

Salutation:

Pastor: Congregation of the People of God: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

People: Amen!

†Call to Worship: *Psalm 8:1,2,9*

Pastor: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!.

People: You have set your glory above the heavens!

Pastor: Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have ordained strength because of your foes

People: To still the enemy and the avenger.

All: O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

† **Opening hymn:** "Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah" (Psalm 148)

Listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8R1SQOVD0Co>

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HALLELUJAH, PRAISE JEHOVAH

1 Hallelujah, praise Jehovah,
from the heavens praise his name;
praise Jehovah in the highest,
all his angels, praise proclaim.
All his hosts, together praise him,
sun and moon and stars on high;
praise him, O you heav'ns of heavens,
and you floods above the sky.

Refrain:

Let them praises give Jehovah,
for his name alone is high,
and his glory is exalted,
and his glory is exalted,
and his glory is exalted
far above the earth and sky.

2 Let them praises give Jehovah,
they were made at his command;
them forever he established,
his decree shall ever stand.
From the earth, O praise Jehovah,
all you seas, you monsters all,
fire and hail and snow and vapors,
stormy winds that hear his call. [Refrain]

3 All you fruitful trees and cedars,
all you hills and mountains high,
creeping things and beasts and cattle,
birds that in the heavens fly,
kings of earth and all you people,
princes great, earth's judges all,
praise his name, young men and maidens,
aged men and children small. [Refrain]

Source: Trinity Psalter Hymnal #148B

†Greeting

Pastor: The Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: Who made heaven and earth!

†Opening Prayer

People: Amen!

THE LORD OUR GOD CLEANSSES US

Meditation on the Third Commandment of the Law of God

Confession of Sin (*kneeling if able*)

(Use this time for your own personal confession of sin).

Corporate Confession: *Our perfectly holy God: How majestic is your Name in all the earth - and in the highest heavens. Forgive us for the many ways we take your Name in vain, even when we don't realize we are doing that. Forgive us when we connect your Name with opinions, desires, feelings, political views, and personal biases which are either contrary to your word or our own additions to it. So fill us with a reverence for yourself as you make yourself known by the Holy Spirit using the Word of God, that we only walk humbly and carefully, always hallowing your Name. For this, O Lord, we need your grace moment by moment. We ask for your mercy and your gracious help, in the Name that is above every name, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

†Assurance of Pardon: Romans 10:9-13

People: Thanks be to God!

†Our response of praise: *"Arise, My Soul, Arise"*

Listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4l1oKlbpkEk> (turn to next page)

Arise, My Soul, Arise

He is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them. Heb. 7:25

1. A - rise, my soul, a - rise, shake off your guilt - y fears;
2. He ev - er lives a - bove, for me to in - ter - cede,
3. Five bleed - ing wounds he bears, re - ceived on Cal - va - ry;
4. My God is rec - on - ciled; his par - d'ning voice I hear;

the bleed - ing Sac - ri - fice in my be - half ap - pears:
his all - re - deem - ing love, his pre - cious blood to plead;
they pour ef - fec - tual prayers, they strong - ly plead for me.
he owns me for his child, I can no lon - ger fear;

be - fore the throne my Sure - ty stands, be - fore the throne my
his blood a - toned for ev - 'ry race, his blood a - toned for
"For - give him, O for - give," they cry, "for - give him, O for -
with con - fi - dence I now draw nigh, with con - fi - dence I

Sure - ty stands, my name is writ - ten on his hands.
ev - 'ry race, and sprin - kles now the throne of grace.
give," they cry, "nor let that ran - somed sin - ner die!"
now draw nigh, and "Fa - ther, Ab - ba, Fa - ther!" cry.

THE LORD OUR GOD CONSECRATES US

New Covenant Reading 1: Hebrews 2:14-18

14 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. 16 For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. 17 Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. 18 For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

New Covenant Reading 2: Hebrews 4:14-16

4 Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

New Covenant Reading 3: Hebrews 7:23-25

23 The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, 24 but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. 25 Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

New Covenant Reading 4: Hebrews 8:1,2

1 Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, 2 a minister in the holy places, in the true tent that the Lord set up, not man.

Pastor: The grass withers, and the flowers fade away; but the word of our God will stand forever!

People: Thanks be to God!

†Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed

Pastor: Christians, what do you believe, and in whom do you trust?

All: I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

†We Prepare Our Hearts for the Word of God Preached:

Hymn: "In Christ Alone"

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In Christ Alone

Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

Maestoso (♩ = 80)



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; This cor - ner
lone! - Who took on flesh; Full - ness of God in help - less babe! This gift of
ground His bo - dy lay, Light of the world by dark - ness slain; Then burst - ing
life, no fear in death - This is the pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first



stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of
love and right eous - ness, scorned by the ones He came to save: 'Til on that
forth in glo - rious Day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He
cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of



love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! My com - for - ter, my all in
cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; For ev' - ry sin on Him was
stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost it's grip on me; For I am His and He is
hell, no scheme of man, can e - ver pluck me from His hand; 'Til He re - turns or calls me



all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.
mine - bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

2. In Christ a -
3. There in the
4. No guilt in



Pastor: *Prayer for Understanding and for Transformation*

People: **Amen!**

Sermon: *“What is Jesus Doing Now?”*

Prayer for Blessing on the Word of God Preached

People: **Amen!**

Worship through Tithes and Offerings

†Pastoral Prayer (followed by the Lord’s Prayer with hands raised)

All: Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the Evil One. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen!

Closing Hymn of Commitment: *“I Run to Christ”*

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The Lord Our God Commissions Us

†[Hands Raised] Benediction

People: **Amen!**

SONG OF THE MONTH: “ O CHURCH, ARISE”

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Listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MZmS81yLjMg>

I Run to Christ

Chris Anderson

Greg Habegger

A7 D A/C# B min A D G E A

1. I run to Christ when chased by fear And find a ref - uge sure.
 2. I run to Christ when worn by life And find my soul re - freshed.
 3. I run to Christ when stalked by sin And find a sure es - cape.

D A/C# B min A D G A7 D

"Be - lieve in me," His voice I hear; His words and wounds se - cure.
 "Come un - to me," He calls through strife; Fa - tigue gives way to rest.
 "De - liv - er me," I cry to Him; Temp - ta - tion yields to grace.

A/C# B min G D/F# F#min B min E min D/F# GMaj7 A

I run to Christ when torn by grief And find a - bun - dant peace.
 I run to Christ when vexed by hell And find a might - y arm.
 I run to Christ when plagued by shame And find my one de - fense.

D A/C# B min A D G A7 D

"I too had tears," He gen - tly speaks; Thus joy and sor - row meet.
 "The Dev - il flees," the Scrip - tures tell; He roars, but can - not harm.
 "I bore God's wrath," He pleads my case— My Ad - vo - cate and Friend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ **The Haven Young Adult Disciples (age 13 and up):** Our meeting this week is postponed to June 16 (see below). from 7:30 - 8:45 p.m. This is your time to fellowship and to discuss issues facing you as you seek to bring every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. And, yes, we'll have pizza! Our next meeting:

Sunday, June 16: We meet at the Brewer's home (66 East 2nd St., Deer Park) We'll finish discussing *Self-Image and Identity*", and then we'll be ready for our June 16 meeting: *Peer Pressure: Strategy and Tactics to Battle It!* Put the date in your calendars!

✦ **"A Visit to the Pastor's Study,"** the weekly radio program hosted by Pastor Bill Shishko is broadcast at 8:00 a.m. on Sundays on WBWD, 540 AM. You can also to listen to the podcasts on sermonaudio.com (Search *A Visit to the Pastor's Study*) or visitthepastorsstudy.org The programs for June:

Sunday, June 2: Open Forum What is a Female? (Guest: Margaret Shishko)
Sunday, June 9: Financial Planning, 1 (Guest: Fran Caraco)
Sunday, June 16: Financial Planning, 2 (Guest, Fran Caraco)
Sunday, June 23: Money Matters Guest, Pastor Meint Ploegman)
Sunday, June 30: Prayer (Rerun - 03/09 program)

✦ **Sing!** Our monthly "choir practice" is at the home of John & Mary Vaeth (46 Monell Ave., Islip) on the first Wednesday of the month from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m This is a time to build our repertoire of "Haven Hymns. Our next *Sing!* meeting is this Wednesday, June 5. (Send hymns you'd like to sing at these meetings to Pastor Bill at WShishko@gmail.com and Mary Vaeth at maryscoop714@gmail.com)

✦ **Saturday, June, 22: Presbytery picnic at Eisenhower Park (East Meadow).** This is hosted by the OPC Franklin Square. It's held at the Scarlet Oak Picnic area. Let Flo Warnock know if you're planning to attend: tgwarnock@aol.com

✦ **Today's Sermon** will be available tomorrow on sermonaudio.com at "The Haven, OPC" site (Search *The Haven, OPC*) You'll also be able to access the sermon from our own website www.thehavenli.com

✦ **Pastoral Needs:** To contact Pastor Bill, his study phone number is (516) 593-1507, or you can reach him by e mail at WShishko@gmail.com

The Haven Heart to Heart

Pastor Bill answers your questions about The Haven, OPC and its ministry

Question: Is The Haven, OPC Calvinist? I've been told that Calvinism is dangerous - even that it's a heresy. Is that wrong?

Pastor Bill responds (pt. 2, continued from last week):

Yes, The Haven, OPC is committed to what is often called "Calvinism" (also known as "The Reformed Faith" or "The Doctrines of Grace"). And, far from being heretical, "Calvinism" represents the "whole counsel of God" as taught in the Scriptures. (As a church, we are committed to The Westminster Confession of Faith as our doctrinal standard. You can read it here: <https://opc.org/wcf.html>)

But why do some people think that Calvinism is "dangerous"? I think there are two primary reasons:

1. People think (mistakenly) that an emphasis on the sovereignty of God will take away a person's sense of personal responsibility and make that person passive rather than active. However, God's sovereignty does not cancel out human responsibility. In what ultimately, is a great mystery to us, God has ordained that we be responsible creatures as those made in his image. We think, eat, work, talk, and do everything in life as responsible creatures. It's helpful to think of two circles and divine mathematics: In one circle, God is 100% sovereign. In the other circle, human beings are 100% responsible. We believe and live in both circles. Only that view does justice to all of the biblical data - which teaches both God's sovereignty and man's responsibility (see Ephesians 2:8-10, and Philippians 2:12,13 for a couple of examples.)

2. People think (also mistakenly) that an emphasis on God's sovereign election - from before the world was made - of those who will be saved, cf. Ephesians 1:3-6, will quench a zeal for earnest evangelism that genuinely seeks the salvation of the lost. Sadly, the doctrine of election could be used as an excuse not to do evangelism; but the problem in that case is not with the doctrine of election, but with a blameworthy misuse of the doctrine by people who are trying to make an excuse for not doing evangelism. Keep point #1 above in mind: God is completely sovereign, e.g. in election, but human beings are completely responsible, e.g. to tell others the Gospel and to earnestly call them to repentance and faith in Christ, e.g. II Corinthians 5:20,21 - which especially applies to Christian ministers. In fact, the doctrine of election is meant to be an encouragement to evangelism. Because people are, by nature, dead in trespasses and sins (Ephesians 2:1), no one would be saved if God had not chosen a multitude that no person can number (Revelation 7:9) to that end. But God has chosen many to be delivered from sin and death. We don't know who they are (and no person has a right to believe that he or she is not elect), so we present the Gospel and Christ's invitation to come to himself (Matthew 11:28-30) to all people, praying that the Lord will save them by his sovereign grace. I love the way our son, Pastor Jon Shishko, puts it: "We need to see everyone as either a Christian or as a NYC - Not Yet Christian!" Prayerfully present the Gospel to everyone in the best way that you can, knowing that the Lord WILL save his elect ones, in his perfect time and in his perfect way.

O Church Arise

Verse 1

O church arise and put your armour on
Hear the call of Christ our Captain
For now the weak can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold whose battle cry is Love
Reaching out to those in darkness

Verse 2

Our call to war to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valour
When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have the prize for which He died
An inheritance of nations

Verse 3

Come see the cross where love and mercy meet
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet
For the Conqueror has risen
And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerges from the grave
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him

Verse 4

So Spirit come put strength in every stride
Give grace for every hurdle
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of His grace
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory

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