

## MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Apostolic Greeting

### \*Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn #296

*"How Lovely Shines the Morning Star!"*

\*Prayer of Invocation

### The Lord's Prayer

"Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on 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 evil,

For thine is the kingdom and the power

and the glory forever." Amen.

**Word of God** **Ephesians 1:1-14 p. 997**

Pastoral Prayer

### Reception of New Members & Administration of Covenant Baptism

\*Hymn of Supplication #343

*"What Wondrous Love Is This"*

Tithes and Offerings

\*Doxology #568

**Word of God** **1 John 3:1-3 p. 1040**

### Preaching of God's Word:

**"Behold Such Love!"**

\*Hymn of Response #462

*"Behold the Amazing Gift of Love"*

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

(\*Please stand if able)

## AFTERNOON WORSHIP

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### Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn #421

*"Christ Shall Have Dominion"*

\*Prayer of Invocation

**Word of God** **1 Peter 4:12-19 p. 1035**

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn of Supplication #59

*"O Save Me from My Foes"*

Tithes and Offerings

**Word of God** **Ezra 4:1-5 p. 406**

### Preaching of God's Word:

**"Opposition!"**

\*Hymn of Response #416

*"Your Hand, O God, Has Guided"*

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

### Worship Serving Schedule

DATE	USHERS	NURSERY	MEDIA BROADCAST	COFFEE HOUR Refreshments
Today	Mike Dinero, Gerald Wisz	Krystal Jimenez	Georgi Kanev	[LUNCHEON]
NEXT Sunday	John Hemrick, Elias Jimenez	Deborah Vasquez	Elias Jimenez	Krystal Jimenez

## AFTERNOON SERMON NOTES

### Ezra 4:1-5: "Opposition!"

**Main Point:** *Opposition to our kingdom labors is a sign that we are doing the right thing and an encouragement to persevere.*

1. Beware of False Friends

2. Keep the Faith

#### Sermon

**This morning** in 1 John 3:1-3, we will hear the wonder, the privilege, and the responsibility of our adoption as children of God.

**This afternoon** in Ezra 4:1-5, we will learn that opposition to our efforts is often a sign that we are doing the right thing and not lose heart but persevere in faith in our conquering King.

#### Announcements

##### **New Members Reception & Baptisms**

Today, during the morning worship service, Mr. Brandon Silver and Mr. Nick Molinari will be baptized and received into communicant membership here at Grace OPC, in accordance with the Book of Church Order, Directory for the Public Worship of God, III. B.2. Members of the Session met with Messrs. Silver and Molinari on November 23 and 30, respectively, and they were examined as to their profession of faith in Christ alone, in accordance with the Directory for the Public Worship of God, IV.A.3.

##### **Fellowship Luncheon**

Plan to stay for our monthly Fellowship Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall, following morning worship. We will have an afternoon worship following the luncheon.

##### **Christmas Lessons & Carols and dinner**

Saturday, December 20, 2025, at 3 p.m., we will hold the annual Christmas lessons and carols in the church sanctuary, followed by a fellowship dinner, in the Fellowship Hall.

##### **SAVE THE DATE & RSVP: Grace OPC 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Family Retreat**

Tuscarora Inn & Conference Center, April 30<sup>th</sup> evening through May 2 noontime.

##### **Calendar Events and Notes for this week: see details on the church calendar & bulletin board**

- Tuesday – Dinaro Home Group Bible Study
- Wednesday – Keegan Home Group Bible Study
- Saturday – Christmas lessons and carols, and dinner

## MORNING SERMON NOTES

### 1 John 3:1-3: "Behold Such Love!"

**Main Point:** *Our adoption as children of God should cause us to wonder, know, and act on such love!*

1. Behold Such Love

2. Know Such Love

3. Act on Such Love

**WELCOME TO GRACE OPC!** On behalf of the session of Grace OPC, I want to extend our warmest greetings to you. It is my hope and prayer that as we gather together this Lord's Day to worship our Triune God and Redeemer, you will be encouraged to cast your cares upon the Lord and to draw near to God by faith in His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. If you are new here in Fair Lawn, please join us for fellowship following the benediction, and be sure to sign our guestbook. We look forward to personally speaking with you, and if there are any prayer concerns in your heart, don't hesitate to bring them to our attention.

Pastor John Keegan

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL & WORSHIP HOURS**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

Flex Time Afternoon Worship (2nd Sunday due to Luncheon)

### **Worship Services are live streamed at:**

[www.graceopcfairlawn.org](http://www.graceopcfairlawn.org)

[www.youtube.com/@grace-org](https://www.youtube.com/@grace-org)

### **OUR LEADERSHIP**

ELDERS: Pastor John J. Keegan

Leo Baratta

John Hemrick

Kevin Vasquez

Tyler Teschon



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## **The Lord's Day Worship December 14, 2025**

**"O magnify the LORD with me,  
and let us exalt  
His name together."  
(Psalm 34:3)**

**Rev. John J. Keegan, Pastor**

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