

## ABOUT RPC

We at Resurrection Presbyterian Church are excited about bringing glory to God through worship that celebrates the good news of Jesus Christ and by serving those in need of Christ-like compassion.

**RESURRECTION** | We believe the Bible is God's Word and that it has the power to change people's lives. That is why our ministry is rooted in Scripture. God is pleased to use the simple preaching of the person and work of Jesus Christ to give us eternal, resurrection life. This is why we chose the name, "Resurrection" for our church. When the Son of God, Jesus Christ, came to earth, he lived a perfect life and died on the cross in our place, so that we could be forgiven of our sins. And three days later, Jesus rose from the grave, overcoming the powers of sin and death in his resurrection. Now, he is reigning with God the Father over all things. He delights to share his power over sin and death with all those who trust in him by faith by giving us his Holy Spirit. As a community of this faith, we have this hope of eternal life. One day soon, Jesus Christ will return from heaven, and everyone who put their faith in him will be raised like he was to join him in glory forever.

**PRESBYTERIAN** | Presbyterianism provides safety for church members and accountability for church leaders. Most people don't know the word, "presbyterian," but it's just a reference to the kind of leadership we have in our church. Presbyter is a Greek word that means "elder." Our pastor does not lead our church like a CEO or a pope. Rather, we are led and cared for by a "session," a group of mature, Christian men that serve together with our pastor. Our elders and our pastor are, themselves, under the authority of the elders and pastors of other churches in our denomination. We are affiliated with a reformed Christian denomination called the Orthodox Presbyterian Church.

### CHURCH OFFICERS

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## WELCOME

We are glad you have come to worship the true and living God with us. You are invited to stay after worship for refreshments and fellowship.

### THIS LORD'S DAY, DECEMBER 24TH, 2017

**10:00 A.M. | MORNING WORSHIP IN OSHKOSH** | Pastor Bob Holda is preaching through the New Testament letter of 1 PETER. Previous sermons are available online at [www.SermonAudio.com/OshkoshRPC](http://www.SermonAudio.com/OshkoshRPC).

**NURSERY** | We love to have our children stay with the whole church family in worship. The covenant promises of our God extend to the entire family and he welcomes the praises of children. We do have a clean, safe, and nurturing nursery ministry for infants between 0-3 for those who need it. Our nursery staff is grateful for the opportunity to serve families by caring for their children during service. The nursery is close to the sanctuary, down the hall to the left of the entryway.

**OFFERING** | Please make checks out to: *Resurrection Presbyterian Church*. Unless otherwise noted, all checks will go to the general fund.

*During the communion hymn, we will take a second offering to support RPC's mercy ministries.*

**6:00 P.M. | EVENING SERVICE IN NEENAH, WI** | Please join us tonight at Apple Valley Presbyterian Church as Pastor John Hartley preaches through the New Testament letter of GALATIANS. Previous sermons are available online at [www.AppleValleyPres.org](http://www.AppleValleyPres.org). Apple Valley Presbyterian Church is RPC's "Mother Church" and is located at 1750 Olde Buggy Drive, Neenah, WI 54956.

### MEETING PLACE

Christian Community Childcare Center  
3870 Jackson St. Oshkosh, WI 54901

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

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## DECEMBER 24, 2017

Morning Worship, 10:00 A.M.

### The Significance Of The Virgin Birth

*Luke 1:26-38; Matthew 1:18-25, Pastor Bob Holda*

*"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again  
to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."*

1 PETER 1:3

## LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

\*Congregation standing

### THE SERVICE OF PRAISE

**\*THE LORD'S GREETING**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP:**

*Matthew 2:1-6* (CHURCH BIBLE, P.807)

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE:**

*O Little Town Of Bethlehem* (HYMNAL, #201)

**\*PRAYER OF INVITATION AND PRAISE**

**CONFESSION OF FAITH:**

*The Apostle's Creed* (HYMNAL, P.845)

**HYMN OF ADORATION:**

*Gentle Mary Laid Her Child* (HYMNAL, #229)

### THE SERVICE OF RENEWAL

**\*THE READING OF GOD'S LAW:**

*1 John 2:15-17* (CHURCH BIBLE, P.1021)

**\*PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN:**

Heavenly Father,  
you have loved us with an everlasting love,  
but we have gone our own way,  
and rejected your will for our lives.  
We have loved the world and the things of the world  
and we have failed to enjoy and glorify you as we ought.  
We are sorry for our sins  
and we turn away from them.  
For the sake of your Son, who died for us,  
forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.  
By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you,  
to glorify and enjoy you,  
and to please you in every way,  
for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

**PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON:**

*1 John 1:9* (CHURCH BIBLE, P.1021)

**DOXOLOGY:** (HYMNAL, #731)

*"Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen."*

**GOD AT WORK IN THE WORLD:**

OPC HOME MISSIONS | CHURCH-PLANTING INTERNS

**PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD**

**\*THE READING OF GOD'S WORD:**

*Luke 2:1-21* (CHURCH BIBLE, P.857)

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION:**

*God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen* (HYMNAL, #211)

### THE SERVICE OF COMMITMENT

**THE READING AND PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD:**

*Luke 1:26-38* (CHURCH BIBLE, P.855)  
*Matthew 1:18-25* (CHURCH BIBLE, P.807)  
*The Significance Of The Virgin Birth*

**GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:** (2 CORINTHIANS 8:7-9)

*"But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge,  
in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this  
act of grace also. ...For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus  
Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor,  
so that you by his poverty might become rich."*

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER:**

**\*COMMUNION HYMN AND BENEVOLENT OFFERING:**

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* (HYMNAL, #193)

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**\*GLORIA PATRI:** (HYMNAL, #735)

*"Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen."*

## SERMON NOTES

IT WAS FITTING FOR CHRIST, OUR LORD AND SAVIOR,  
TO BE BORN OF A VIRGIN, HEBREW WOMAN.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PULPIT SUPPLY** | SUN., DEC. 31 | Rev. Jon Falk will be preaching at RPC for Pastor Holda, who will be on vacation from Dec. 25th - 31st.

**YOUTH SNOW CAMP** | JAN. 12-14 | For grades 6-12. Hosted by OPC & PCA churches at Lake Lundgren Bible Camp in Pembine, WI. \$100: includes 5 meals, cabin lodging, & endless hot cocoa. Speaker: OPC Pastor Charles Williams. More info: [www.tinyurl.com/snowcamp2018](http://www.tinyurl.com/snowcamp2018).

**MEN'S RETREAT** | FRI.-SAT., FEB. 23-24 | Join the men from our presbytery at Green Lake Conference Center in Green Lake, WI. Rev. John Hartley will be speaking on *Divine Chastisements: Badges of Sonship*. Register online at <http://gatewayopc.org/mens-retreat/>.