

THEHAVEN



A Congregation of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church

**Meeting at Ascension Lutheran Church,
33 Bayshore Rd.,
Deer Park, NY 11729
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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
May 19, 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.

7:30 p.m. The Haven Young Adult Disciples (ages 13 through college) meet at the home of Jimmy & Barbara Brewer (66 East 2nd St., Deer Park). Pizza first, then dads (and granddads) and Haven Young Adult Disciples meet to discuss "Resisting Peer Pressure: Battle Strategies & Tactics." During that time, moms (and grandmoms) meet for fellowship and prayer.

✦ **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, May 19, 2019
Worship 4:30 PM
Preparation for Worship: Psalm 2:1-12

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 98:1-4*

Pastor: Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

People: His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

Pastor: The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

People: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness for the house of Israel.

Pastor: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God..

People: Make a joyful noise to the Lord all the earth!

Pastor: Break forth into joyous song, and sing praises!

† **Opening hymn:** "O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer"

Listen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TpELMk4-3n8>

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O Lord My Rock And My Redeemer

Verse 1

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer
Greatest treasure of my longing soul
My God like You there is no other
True delight is found in You alone
Your grace a well too deep to fathom
Your love exceeds the heavens' reach
Your truth a fount of perfect wisdom
My highest good and my unending need

Verse 2

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer
Strong defender of my weary heart
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver
And my shield against his hateful darts
My song when enemies surround me
My hope when tides of sorrow rise
My joy when trials are abounding
Your faithfulness my refuge in the night

Verse 3

O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer
Gracious Savior of my ruined life
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders
In my place You suffered bled and died
You rose the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame
O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer
May all my days bring glory to Your Name

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†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 Second Commandment of the Law of God

Confession of Sin (*kneeling if able*)

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

Corporate Confession: *Lord God, you are the living God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Forgive us when, in so many ways, we replace you with images that come from our own imaginations and from our own untrustworthy hearts. We look to so many other things to bless us: Money, achievements, fame - ultimately, ourselves. Forgive us for replacing the Lord our portion with portions of the things of this life. Grant that we will find our true source of blessing in Jesus Christ and in him alone. and grant the Holy Spirit to us that each day we will see him and savor him more as he is known on every page of Holy Scripture. We turn away from trust in ourselves, and we trust in you alone to be merciful to us and to grant us everlasting peace, through the great image of God, Jesus Christ. Amen.*

†Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 72:12,13,18,19

People: Thanks be to God!

†Our response of praise: *“O God, Your Judgments Give the King” - from Psalm 72*
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O God, Your Judgments Give the King

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Endow the king with your justice, O God, the royal son with your righteousness.
Ps. 72:1

1. O God, your judgments give the King, his son your righteousness;
2. The people's poor ones he shall judge, the needy's children bless;
3. His large and great dominion shall from sea to sea extend;
4. Now blessed be the Lord our God, the God of Israel,

with right he shall your people judge, your poor with uprightness.
and he will break in pieces those who would the poor oppress.
it from the River shall reach forth to earth's remotest end.
for he alone does wondrous works in glory that excel.

And then the mountains shall bring forth to all the people peace;
The just shall flourish in his days, and prosper in his reign;
Yea, kings shall all before him bow, all nations shall obey;
And blessed be his glorious name to all eternity.

the hills because of righteousness their blessing shall increase.
and while the moon endures he shall abundant peace maintain.
he'll save the needy when they cry, the poor who have no stay.
The whole earth let his glory fill; amen, so let it be.

THE LORD OUR GOD CONSECRATES US

New Covenant Reading 1: Matthew 28:16-20

16 Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. 17 And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. 18 And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in^[a] the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

New Covenant Reading 2: Ephesians 1:15-23

15...because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your [love](#)^[a] toward all the saints, 16 I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, 17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, 18 having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might 20 that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. 22 And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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 Apostles' Creed

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

All:

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen!

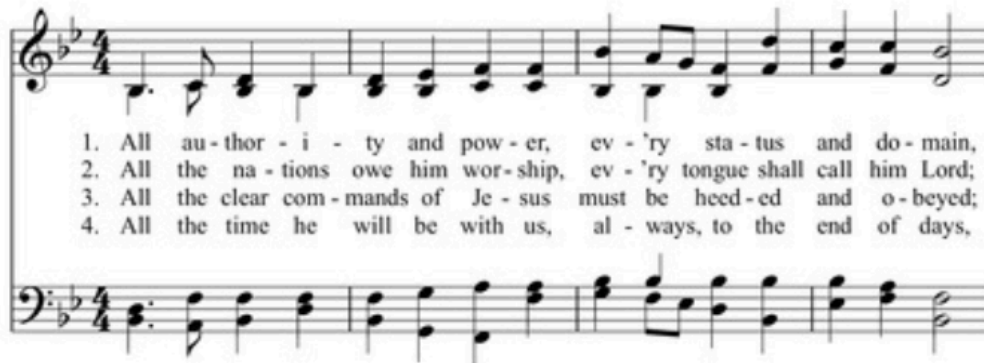
†We Prepare Our Hearts for the Word of God Preached:

Hymn: "All Authority and Power" (from Matthew 28:18-20)

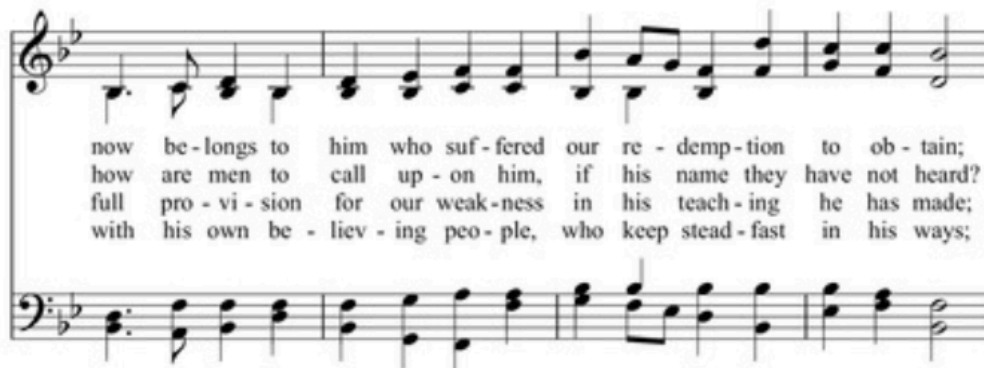
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All Authority and Power

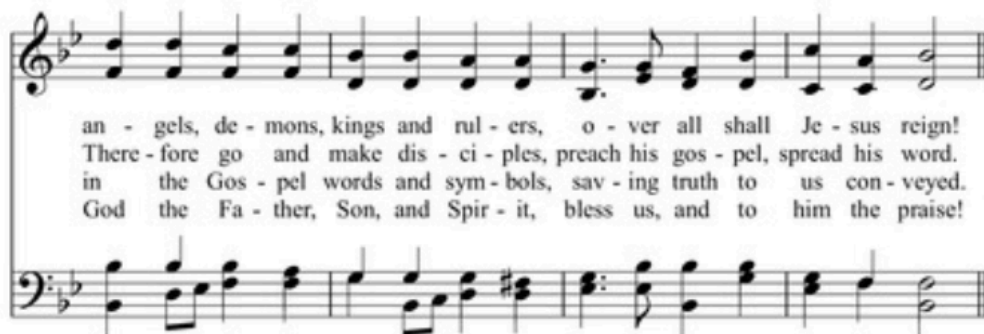
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1. All au - thor - i - ty and pow - er, ev - 'ry sta - tus and do - main,
 2. All the na - tions owe him wor - ship, ev - 'ry tongue shall call him Lord;
 3. All the clear com - mands of Je - sus must be heed - ed and o - beyed;
 4. All the time he will be with us, al - ways, to the end of days,



now be - longs to him who suf - fered our re - demp - tion to ob - tain;
 how are men to call up - on him, if his name they have not heard?
 full pro - vi - sion for our weak - ness in his teach - ing he has made;
 with his own be - liev - ing peo - ple, who keep stead - fast in his ways;



an - gels, de - mons, kings and rul - ers, o - ver all shall Je - sus reign!
 There - fore go and make dis - ci - ples, preach his gos - pel, spread his word.
 in the Gos - pel words and sym - bols, sav - ing truth to us con - veyed.
 God the Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it, bless us, and to him the praise!

Pastor: *Prayer for Understanding and for Transformation*

People: Amen!

Sermon: *“Jesus Alive! Lessons from Sight for Faith (3):
The Great Commission: Mission NOT Impossible”*

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: “Facing a Task Unfinished”

Listen: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zOpt_bulJxY

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The Lord Our God Commissions Us

†[Hands Raised] Benediction

People: Amen!

SONG OF THE MONTH: PSALM 150C

“SING HALLELUJAH, PRAISE THE LORD!”

(FROM THE TRINITY PSALTER HYMNAL - WITH PERMISSION)

Last Page of this bulletin - Practice at home during the week

Facing a Task Unfinished

(To tune of "The Church's One Foundation")

Verse 1

Facing a task unfinished
That drives us to our knees
A need that undiminished
Rebukes our slothful ease
We who rejoice to know You
Renew before Your throne
The solemn pledge we owe You
To go and make You known

Chorus

We go to all the world
With Kingdom hopes unfurled
No other name has power to save
But Jesus Christ the Lord

Verse 2

When other lords beside You
Hold their unhindered sway
Where forces that defied You
Defy You still today
With none to heed their crying
For life and love and light
Unnumbered souls are dying
And pass into the night. **Chorus**

Verse 3

We bear the torch that flaming
Fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming
That Jesus died and rose.
Ours is the same commission
The same glad message ours
Fired by the same ambition
To You we yield our powers. **Chorus**

Verse 4

O Father who sustained them
O Spirit who inspired
Savior whose love constrained them
To toil with zeal untired
From cowardice defend us
From lethargy awake
Forth on Your errand send us
To labor for Your sake **Chorus (2X)**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✦ **The Haven Young Adult Disciples (age 13 through college):** We're back to meeting (normally) on the first and third Sundays of the month 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 meeting this month:

This Sunday, May 19: We meet at the Brewer's home (66 East 2nd St., Deer Park) at 7:30 p.m. We'll be considering what Short Term Mission Project to be part of in 2020, and also begin discussing your questions. For this meeting: *Battling Peer Pressure: Strategy and Tactics*

✦ **"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 listen to the podcasts on sermonaudio.com (Search *A Visit to the Pastor's Study*) or visitthepastorsstudy.org The programs for this month:

Sunday, May 5: What to Make of ROGD (Guest: Jamie Dean, World magazine)

Sunday, May 12: Revoice and God's Voice (Guest: Pastor Al Baker)

Sunday, May 19: Can I be a "Gay Christian"? (Guest, Rev. Tim Geiger, Harvest USA)

Sunday, May 26: Open Forum: Male & Female (Guest: Pastor Ben Miller)

✦ **Prayer List:** On the last Sunday of the month our "Open Forum" from 5:45 - 6:15 is a time of prayer for needs local, regional national, and international. Send your prayer requests to Pastor Bill at WShishko@gmail.com

✦ **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", to praise God together in the midweek, to pray, and to fellowship in Christ. Mark your calendar: Our next *Sing!* meeting is 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). Read this week's Haven Heart to Heart for more about learning hymns.

✦ **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 and Open Forum** 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: I'm having a hard time with the tunes of some of the hymns that you use. Can you help me so that I can sing them better?

Pastor Bill responds:

Few things make us feel more awkward in a worship service than when we're supposed to be singing a hymn, and we don't know the tune. Hymn tunes simply aren't hard-wired into us from birth! Like anything that's new, we need to learn how to use it! While the one who organizes the worship service should work to keep the tunes relatively simple, we all need to work to learn the tunes so that we can sing them *heartily joyfully*, and *believingly* (our three most common adverbs to describe our worship). The Scriptures even tell us to "make his praise glorious" (NKJV) - which means we need to work at it!

Here's a few suggestions as we all work together to make our praise better reflect the glory of the God's we're worshipping.

1. In some cases, we have a "Listen" note under the hymn that we use. These give a link to a *YouTube* site where you can hear the hymn to the tune that we use. You'll be blessed by hearing the hymn sung by others. You can sing along. And, in the process, you'll learn the tune for the next time we use it. (I can send you the PDF of the bulletin once it's completed on the Tuesday before the Lord's Day. Then you can use the links to practice before the worship service. Give me your e mail address, and I'll add your name to The Haven Friend and Family list. You'll be able to join us in our weekly "choir practice").

2. Make use of hymnary.org (and other sites that make collections of traditional and contemporary hymns available for you to read and hear) to familiarize yourself with the world of hymns, tunes and helps for singing them. Like studying the Word of God, studying hymns is part of the staple diet of a healthy Christian life. (And you'll enjoy the hymns and tunes much more when you learn about them.)

3. Put our *Sing!* meetings into your calendar. This is the first of our "community groups" (there will be more of them beginning in September), and its purpose is - you guessed it - to sing Psalms and hymns - both traditional and contemporary. We meet at John and Mary Vaeth's home (46 Monell Ave., Islip) on the first Wednesday of a month (our next meeting is June 5) from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. With Mary Vaeth's spirited accompaniment, we're learning to "make (God's) praise glorious." Join us - and I assure you that you'll be blessed. (So will The Haven, OPC, as we work together to learn new songs and tunes.)

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Sing Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!

1. ¹Sing hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the LORD! Praise God with - in his
 2. Praise God whose maj - es - ty a - bounds! ³O praise him with the
 3. ⁵With sound - ing cym - bals praise the LORD! With clash - ing cym - bals

sa - cred courts! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise, praise him
 trum - pet sound! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise God with
 praise a - loud! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! ⁶Let all that

in his heav'n - ly height! ²Praise, praise him for his deeds of might!
 lute and harp and strings, ⁴with dance and pipe and tam - bou - rine!
 breathes now praise the LORD! O praise the LORD for - ev - er - more!

O praise him! O praise him! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!