



Service for the Lord's Day

Trinity Sunday – Memorial Day Weekend
May 27, 2018 10:00 a.m.

Please SILENCE ALL Personal Electronic Devices Before Worship.

We Gather as God's People

Welcome to our worship service. Take a moment to quiet yourself as we prepare ourselves for worship.

Welcome and Preparation for Worship

Welcome to Oakland-Cambridge Presbyterian Church! In this space, we invite you to bring all of who you are - your identity, your beliefs, your doubts, your story. Our prayer is that together we will experience God's presence. We invite you to sign the pew pads, which will be passed from the back of the sanctuary to the front. Please fill out the information, share with the others in your row, and then pass it to the row in front of you. Thank you. After worship, please join us for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

Prelude

Announcements of Our Church Life and Ministry

The Centering Song *SF* # 2164 (sing 3 times; the last time, a cappella) "Sanctuary"

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Call to Worship [Responsive] Elder Melanie Rumpf

Leader: The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

Leader: In the days of Noah, God placed a rainbow in the sky as the sign of a covenant of God's love for all the earth.

***People:* In the colors of the rainbow, we see the sign of God's grace for all creation.**

Leader: In the days of Moses, the words of God were written on tablets of stone, as the sign of a covenant between God and all of God's people.

***People:* In the Decalogue, we see the sign of God's hope and justice for each person to live in peace with God and neighbor.**

Leader: In the days of the prophet, God promised to place a new covenant in our hearts.

***People:* As members of the living Body of Christ, we see the sign of God's promise among us and within us.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

***Opening Hymn** *PH* # 356 "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

***The Prayer of the Day** [Responsive]

Leader: Let us pray... We worship you, O God, as Creator and Liberator. You led the captives out of Egypt,

People: **delivering them from the oppression of slavery.**

Leader: You gave laws which enabled people

People: **to relate to you, to one another, and to the whole creation.**

Leader: You implored people to worship only you, knowing that whatever was put in your place

People: **would all too easily become the object of idolatry, and the priority of our hearts.**

Leader: You showered us with blessings by revealing in Jesus

People: **just how precious we are to you,**

Leader: and through Jesus you delivered us into a new and living relationship

People: **with you and with one another with a new commandment,**

Leader: a commandment of love.

People: **May we reveal the depth of our love**

Leader: as we worship and praise you, O God.

People: **Amen.**

***Two+** (*A new way to share the peace of Christ and greet one another.*)

“For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.” Matthew 18:20

Question: **What do you feel are the two greatest commandments?**

We Listen for God’s Word

The Children’s Message Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

Blessing: You are God’s beloved child. With you God is well pleased.

Prayer for Illumination Elder Melanie Rumpf

Leader: Let us pray... O God, the Three in One, you draw us into your community of love with people across the ages and around the world.

People: **By the same Spirit that binds us together speak to us that what we read and ponder may enliven us and stretch us to trust and follow you; through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Building a Bridge from the Decalogue to a New Commandment

The Scripture Exodus 19:1-6; 20:1-17 Readers Theatre (*see insert*)

(Companion Text: Matthew 22:34-40 N.T.)

Leader: For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us,

People: **We give thanks to God.**

The Sermon Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

... musical interlude for quiet personal reflection...

We Respond to God’s Love

***Affirmation of Faith** [In Unison] *from Reclaiming Jesus:
A Confession of Faith in A Time of Crisis*

WE BELIEVE that truth is morally central to our personal and public lives. Truth-telling is central to the prophetic biblical tradition, whose vocation includes speaking the Word of God into their societies and speaking the truth to power. A commitment to speaking truth, the ninth commandment of the Decalogue, “You shall not bear false witness” is foundational to shared trust in society. Falsehood can enslave us, but Jesus promises, “You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” The search and respect for truth is crucial to anyone who follows Christ.

THEREFORE, WE REJECT the practice and pattern of lying that is invading our political and civil life. Politicians, like the rest of us, are human, fallible, sinful, and mortal. But when public lying becomes so persistent that it deliberately tries to change facts for ideological, political, or personal gain, the public accountability to truth is undermined. The regular purveying of falsehoods and consistent lying by the nation’s highest leaders can change the moral expectations within a culture, the accountability for a civil society, and even the behavior of families and children. The normalization of lying presents a profound moral danger to the fabric of society. In the face of lies that bring darkness, Jesus is our truth and our light.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People [Responsive] Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler
Leader: We pray to the Lord... *People:* Lord, hear our prayer.

The Lord’s Prayer (*using ‘debts’ and ‘debtors’...*)

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.

Prayer Response *PH* #322 “Spirit of the Living God”
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me; Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me. Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

Offering Our Tithes and Gifts to God

Offertory Music

***Offertory Response** *Sing the Faith* # 2036 “Give Thanks”

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ his Son.

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And now let the weak say, “I am strong”; let the poor say,
“I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.”

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“I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.” Give thanks!

***Offertory Prayer of Thanksgiving** [Responsive] Elder Melanie Rumpf

Leader: Let us pray... In grace,

People: we bind ourselves to those who have no life;

Leader: in hope,

People: we bind ourselves to those who live in despair;

Leader: in peace,

People: we bind ourselves to all damaged by violence and hate;

Leader: in gratitude,

People: we offer our gifts and bind ourselves to you, O God, in the work of justice, love,
and wonder as you build your community in our world. Amen.

We Depart to Do God’s Will

***Closing Hymn** *PH* # 343..... “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

***The Sending** [Responsive]..... Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

Leader: Hear this: the Lord our God is the one and only Lord. Therefore go out into the world
to love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength,

People: and love others as we have learned to love through Christ.

Leader: And may God give you justice and freedom; May Christ Jesus set you free for love;
and may the Holy Spirit go where you go and protect you on your way.

People: We go in peace to love and serve others as Jesus commanded us to do. Amen.

***Song of Dismissal** *PH* # 432 “Canto de Esperanza”

May the God of hope go with us every day, Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way, Bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace, Singing, share our joy with all,
Working for a world that’s new, Faithful when we hear Christ’s call.

Postlude



The liturgy this morning is from: Call to Worship ~ from the **Lent 2006** liturgy, posted on the **Seekers Church** website: <http://www.seekerschurch.org/>; Prayer of the Day ~ Moira Laidlaw, on her website Liturgies Online. See that site for many other great resources; Prayer for Illumination ~ from a collection of prayers posted on the **Worship@North** website; Offertory Prayer of Thanksgiving ~ Lectionary Liturgies Blogspot by Rev. Thom Shuman; The Sending ~ adapted from Nathan Nettleton LaughingBird.net.

Oakland-Cambridge Presbyterian Church is committed to using language in such a way that all members of the community of faith may recognize themselves to be included, addressed, and equally cherished before God. Seeking to bear witness to the whole world, the church struggles to use language which is faithful to the biblical truth and which neither purposefully nor inadvertently excludes people because of gender, color, or other circumstance in life. (Book of Order, W-1.2006)

There will be no fellowship refreshments today due to the Memorial Day weekend.

- Our liturgist today is Elder Melanie Rumpf.
- Our musician today is Karen Brunk.
- Our ushers/greeters today are Larry & Sylvia Jensen.
- **Nursery care is provided today by the Deacons.**
- Printed copies of sermons are available in the box on the wall outside of the church office and on our website www.OCPChurch.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS —

- If you would like to be added to the mailing list for our newsletter, *The Good News*, please send either your email (preferred) or snail mail address to the church office. (Our addresses are listed on the last page of the bulletin.)
 - **The Mission Committee reminds all folks to share their loose change in the Least Coin Crock, as a reminder of the prayers they say. Think of all the coins we would have if every time you prayed, you set aside a coin. These funds are to be used for local mission work. This is a year-long mission collection.**
- Help us save “pig points.” Please turn in your receipts from Piggly Wiggly in the brown bag in the narthex, so that we can receive a rebate. All funds received are used for mission projects. **The next deadline for receipts is Sunday, June 10.**
- Copies of *These Days*, a daily devotional magazine, are available at the rear entrance. Donations are voluntary.

EVENTS —

- Next Sunday, June 3 – 10:00 a.m. Worship with communion
- 11:00 a.m. Session

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY —

- Communion Servers – Mark Touhey and Judy Schroeder
- Liturgist – Mark Touhey
- Ushers/Greeters – Judy Schroeder
- Fellowship – Bobbi & Bud Rumpf; Graduate Recognition
- Nursery – Deacons

Graduates in 2018; Let's Celebrate!!

If you or a family member is graduating from high school, college, a university or graduate school, **please let us know by TODAY so we may celebrate** with you. We will honor our high school graduates during worship on June 3rd.



MAY 2018 Update

The Cambridge Food Pantry & Resource Center is open for shopping every Monday evening from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Guests are invited to shop every other Monday. Donation hours during the month of May are Monday 9 am to 12 pm & 4 pm to 5 pm, Wednesday 9 am – 12 pm and Thursday 8:30 am to 3 pm.

ITEMS NEEDED AT CAMBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY

The items most needed at the Cambridge Food Pantry at this time are Cereal, Ketchup, Sugar, Crackers, Ravioli, Hamburger Helper, Paper Towel, Toilet Paper, Size Large Depends.

The Cambridge Food Pantry will be closed Memorial Day May 28th but clients may come and shop on Tuesday May 29th between 5:30 and 7:00.



Community Café – June 7th is the next Cambridge Community Café! The United Community Bank will be hosting **AT the United Community Bank** parking lot---dining outside-- 221 W. Main Street---If it's stormy Day the meal will be served at Cambridge High School, 403 Blue Jay Drive. The Bank will be serving Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, Watermelon and Pie and

Ice Cream. Meal will be served from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. **EVERYONE IN COMMUNITY IS INVITED TO COME!**

PLEASE HOLD THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN PRAYER THIS WEEK —

Sandy Berge (sister of Charleen Janus)
Griffin Clark (grandson of Bill & Patty Strohmusch)
Don Hawkins (husband of Margaret)
Jayne Kilian (daughter of Judy & Monty Pearson)
Wade Kubina (son of Jo Kubina)
Shawn Spack (son of Jenine & Jack Spack)
Mary Trailer
Rose Ann West
Betty Willmore
Jim Willmore
Phillip Yeadon

Our children and unchurched children and families, our military around the world, our enemies, our church leaders, families and individuals experiencing financial, job-hunting, health, or relationship problems.

The family of Patrick & Irene Sullivan, and other families who are grieving the loss of loved ones.

If you would like to be added to our weekly prayer list, please leave word in the church office or contact the pastor. Permission to be included in this publicly posted list has been obtained from those listed or their families.

CHURCH PARKING LOT

The parking lot is scheduled to be paved on Tuesday, May 29 (weather permitting). After that NO ONE is to drive on it for THREE DAYS.

Therefore, from Tuesday, May 29 to Friday, June 1 please restrict yourself to parking either in the driveway area or on the street. The lot should be fully usable by next Sunday, June 3.

Church Schedule

Worship Service: 10:00 a.m. Sunday

Communion: First Sunday of each month

Church School: Children through grade 7 meet at 10:00 a.m. Sunday
(Labor Day to Memorial Day)

Video of Worship Service: Cable 98 or 987 Sun. 5:30 p.m.; Mon.-Tues. 8 a.m. & Noon
(Link to video also available on our website or Facebook page)

Fellowship & Refreshment: Following worship service each week

Pastoral Office Hours: Generally 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Tuesday or by appointment

Business Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday

(Church hours are approved by Session and posted on church entry doors.)

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SESSION (Meets the second Sunday of each month.)

Class of 2018: Mark Touhey

Class of 2019: Mare Stewart, Mike Stitz

Class of 2020: Ann Febock, Renée Roland Johnson,

BOARD OF DEACONS (Meets the third Sunday of each month.)

Class of 2018: Julie Anderson, Judy Schroeder

Class of 2019: Joe Leto

Class of 2020: Randy Johnson, Judy Pearson

CHURCH STAFF

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