



Service for the Lord's Day

10th Sunday after Pentecost

July 29, 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.

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]

Leader: The Lord be with you.

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

Leader: We gather together in the name of Jesus Christ— members of God's family, and brothers and sisters to one another in Christ's love.

***People:* There are no outsiders here among us, no one has any special standing or bragging rights. For we have been brought together by the redeeming love of Jesus.**

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***Opening Hymn** *PH* # 411 “Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

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

Leader: Let us pray... Whispering God, the noise of the world is loud.

***People:* Open our ears to your still, small, voice.**

Leader: God of revelation, the darkness of the world threatens.

***People:* Open our eyes to the light of your presence.**

* Please stand as you are able.

Leader: God of abundance, we cling tightly to so many things.

People: Open our hands in generosity and joy.

Leader: God of all people, we feel the fear of those who are “other.”

People: Open our arms to the stranger and the enemy.

Leader: God of mystery, we want so desperately to understand you.

People: Open our minds to the depths of your truth.

Leader: Creating God, we long to know your presence.

People: Open our hearts to receive your love. 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: If you could live during another period in history, what time would you choose?

(We will move into the Fellowship Hall as we share Christ’s Peace.)

***The Offering Will be Received as You Exit the Sanctuary**

We Listen for and Explore God’s Word Together

Following Jesus: Guidelines for Our Time of Reflection. Listening and Learning Together.

Your call to follow Jesus means that you are called to be the best version of yourself that you can be—who God made you to be. Civil discourse requires that we treat people with respect as we seek and serve Christ in each other and strive for the respect and dignity of every human being. It means treating people how we want to be treated, even in disagreement and even if we do not have shared values.

***Respect** – Respect each person you meet and take the time to truly consider what they are saying. Respond, don’t react. No blaming, shaming or attacking another person.

***Listen Deeply** – Listen to what each person is saying, focus on the ideas presented, and discuss ideas and issues – not people. No side conversations as they distract from engagement and listening. Do not interrupt while others are speaking.

***Speak for Yourself** – Use “I” statements when commenting or responding. Share your personal experience.

***Try to Understand** – Try to understand the thoughts and ideas of others. Ask questions for clarification.

***Share Talk Time** – Make sure everyone has the opportunity to speak before speaking again. Take notes if there are things you want to follow up on. Ask what others think.

***Speak Respectfully** – When you choose to speak, respect your fellow learners and do not try to be the one that knows everything about the topic at hand.

***Gratitude** – If someone has shared something or asked a question that helps with your own learning, say thank you.

* Please stand as you are able.

***Suspend Judgment** – We all have presumptions, biases, stereotypes, prejudices, and other prejudgments. Try to suspend these and seek to understand.

***Disagree, Don't Debate** – We are here to learn and listen. You can disagree with someone and still love them and listen to them. This isn't about who is right, but about listening and learning together.

***Practice Forgiveness** – We learn from trying things out and sometimes we make mistakes. Seek to forgive and to be forgiven as we learn together.

***Pay Attention to Your Feelings and Thoughts** – If you do not feel safe asking a question or commenting on a topic, write it down and ask someone to help you give voice to it or talk it through. If something hurts your feelings, acknowledge that the comment (not the person) hurt and explain why.

Prayer for Illumination [Responsive]

Leader: Let us pray... Gracious and loving God, we come together to meditate and examine your word.

People: **Give us ears to hear, hearts to receive, and minds to consider how we might be your hands and feet in the world. Show us your way, O God, that we might know you better. Amen.**

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 6:9-15

Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

‘Pray then in this way: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Questions for Reflection & Discussion as Followers of Jesus on Scripture & Statements:

- What stood out for you as you heard the reading from the Gospel of Matthew?
- What does this scripture call you to believe about Jesus?
- When we say, “Your kingdom come, your will be done,” what does that mean for you?

The Declaration of Barmen and Reclaiming Jesus

- What stood out for you in reading and listening to these two faith statements?
- For you, I wonder what it means to be a Christian first and everything else second?
- For you, what does it mean that Jesus is Lord? What does that look like in your life?
- How would our fellow citizens know we are Christians by our love?
- What does it mean to commit ourselves as Christians today?
- Who is Jesus Christ for us today?
- What does our loyalty to him require?
- What does it mean to be disciples who regard Jesus as Lord at this moment in our history?

Larger Group Sharing

We Respond to God's Love

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.

We Depart to Do God's Will

Closing Hymn *Fav* # 152 (vss 1 & 3) "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
we are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side,
we will work with each other, we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

The Sending [Responsive] Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

Leader: May you remember the words of Christ: Blessed are the poor in spirit, the pure in heart, the peacemakers.

People: For they are the Beloved Children of God.

Leader: Don't worry about tomorrow today has enough worries for today.

People: Life is about more than food, your body more than clothes.

Leader: Love your enemies. Ask, seek, knock.

People: Do for others as you would have them do for you.

Leader: And whatever you do even for the least of these in your midst

People: we do to Christ as well.

Leader: Go in God's peace to love and serve all God's people. And the people of God said:

People: Amen.



The liturgy this morning is from: The Prayer of the Day ~ written by Joanna Harader and posted on Spacious Faith <https://spaciousfaith.com/>; The Sending ~ posted on Jeff's Blog <https://blog.wisch.org/category/benedictions-and-prayers/>.

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)

Everyone is invited to stay for fellowship and refreshment following worship today.

- Our musician today is Emily Rausch.
- 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 —

- **Second quarter giving statements are now available in Fellowship Hall. Please pick up your copy and take it with you. Thank you!**
- 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.
- Copies of *These Days*, a daily devotional magazine, are available at the rear entrance. Donations are voluntary.

EVENTS —

- Saturday, August 4 – Pancake Breakfast serving from 8:00- 11:00 a.m.
- Next Sunday, August 5 – 10:00 a.m. Worship with communion

VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY —

- Liturgist – Bud Rumpf
- Ushers/Greeters – The Letos
- Fellowship – Pancake Breakfast Fellowship – Joe Leto & Judy Pearson
- Nursery – Deacons

School Supply Drive

The Cambridge School District, in coordination with the Cambridge Food Pantry and Cambridge Area Resource Team (CART), is once again offering a school supply and clothing give-away on **Monday August 20th** from 3:00-8:00 pm at the Nikolay Middle School cafeteria. Please attend this event if you are in need of assistance with school supplies and/or clothing! You may register at the event and a light meal will be served.

Please donate if you are able! Our give-away relies on generous donations from community members and allows all students to have the tools they need to become more successful! There will be a collection bin at church with a **donation deadline of Sunday, August 12**. Following are ways to donate:

Monetary Donations: will be accepted at our church as well as our school district office: 403 Blue Jay Way, Cambridge. Make checks payable to Cambridge Schools.

Most needed school supplies: scientific calculators, ear buds, back packs (no wheels), washable markers, Expo markers/erasers, color pencils, glue sticks, graph paper, Post-It notes, watercolor paints, Ticonderoga pencils, 24 count Crayola crayons, and 3-inch 3-ring binders. An expanded list showing items needed in grades 4K-8 is available at church, while grade-specific supply lists can be seen at www.cambridge.k12.wi.us or available at big box stores.

Clothing: We are also collecting clothes to give away that same night. We are looking for donations of gently-used, clean, school-appropriate clothing (fall and winter) in all sizes—babies through adults. Clothes can be dropped off at school district office, CART or OCPC.

Distribution: will be on Monday, August 20th (see 1st paragraph).

Feel free to call Kristin Gowan, School Social Worker at kgowan@cambridge.k12.wi.us or 608.213.5819 (cell/text)

Thank you for your assistance.



JULY 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 and get food every other Monday. Donation hours during the month of July are Monday 9 am to 12 pm & 4 pm to 5 pm, Wednesday 9 am – 12 pm and Thursday 9:00 am to 3 pm. The Food Pantry is located in the Nikolay Middle School, 211 South Street under the blue canopy.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Go to the website www.cambridgecap.net and click on Get Involved and then click on Volunteerism and go down and click on Food Pantry Volunteer Sign up. We are in need of Volunteers to help clients on Monday Evenings----If you need more information please call Nancy at the Cambridge Food Pantry 423-8142.

FOOD and OTHER ITEMS NEEDED AT CAMBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY

Currently we can use Hamburger Helper, Canned Ravioli, Ramen Noodles, Tuna, Ketchup, Cereal, Mayo/Hellman's, Jelly and Jams---Also nonfood items are really needed---Regular Feminine Pads, Shampoo and Conditioner, Toilet Tissue and Paper Towel



Community Café – Thursday, **August 2nd** is the next Cambridge Community Café! The Cambridge Foundation will be hosting the **MEAL AT THE LAKE RIPLEY PARK**. They will be serving Fresh Fruit, Potato Salad, Rotini Salad, Crab Salad, Coleslaw, Relishes, Ham and Turkey Sandwiches, and Brownies. Meal will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Rock Climbing wall will be at the park that afternoon also.

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

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 families of Jim Willmore; 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 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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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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