



# Service for the Lord's Day

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Reformation Sunday

October 28, 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 Mare Stewart

*Leader:* The Lord be with you.

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

*Leader:* Sing aloud with gladness:

*People:* **God is gathering the people!**

*Leader:* From the farthest parts of the earth we come:

*People:* **All who struggle; all who labor with new life!**

*Leader:* Those who are weeping, God will console;

*People:* **Those who get lost find a clear path home.**

*Leader:* Let us worship the God who gathers us!

**\*Opening Hymn** *PH* # 430 .....“Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!”

\* Please stand as you are able.

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

*Leader:* Let us pray... Holy Wisdom, you granted Solomon's request for an understanding mind and the knowledge to discern good from evil.

*People:* **Fill us with such understanding and knowledge that we may act as instruments of your loving desire for creation,**

*Leader:* working with you to transform our conceit into concern for others,

*People:* **our fear and hatred into love, compassion, and empathy**

*Leader:* our violence into peace and justice,

*People:* **and our brokenness into wholeness. 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:* **Who is the wisest person you know?**

**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** [Responsive] ..... Elder Mare Stewart

*Leader:* Let us pray... O God, you alone are our Judge. Send your Spirit of truth to expose our self-deception and challenge our complacency

*People:* **so that we may surrender to your mercy and follow your will through Jesus Christ our Liberator. Amen.**

**Building a Bridge from David & Bathsheba to Solomon**

**The Scripture** 1 Kings 3 Readers Theatre *(see insert)*

**Sermon** ..... Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler  
*... musical interlude for quiet personal reflection...*

**We Respond to God's Love**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** [In Unison] ..... from *A Brief Statement of Faith* (PCUSA)

**We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal...with believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from God's love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\* Please stand as you are able.

## 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 of Our Tithes and Our 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** [In Unison] ..... Elder Mare Stewart

Generous God, may our gifts be used to answer the needs of those who seek you, O God,  
delivering them from their fears, listening to their cries for help, offering refuge to those  
who are searching for hope. This we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

## We Depart to Do God's Will

**\*Closing Hymn** *PH* # 339..... "Be Thou My Vision"

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

*Leader:* Let us go to be God's blessings in the world.

*People:* With our lips and with our hearts, we will offer hope to all.

*Leader:* Let us go to be the ears and heart of Jesus.

*People:* Listening to the cries of our sisters and brothers, drawing them into the refuge of  
grace.

*Leader:* Let us go with our arms full of the Spirit's gifts.

*People:* Welcoming every one, every moment of our lives.

\* Please stand as you are able.

*Leader:* Go forth into the world trusting with your hearts the wisdom God bestows upon all who seek to follow God's will. When called to lead, do so with humility and confidence in God. Be in this world a sign of Jesus' presence. Share compassion with all whom you encounter. Live wisely in God's name, and glorify God in all you do. And may the grace, mercy and wisdom of God be our support, guidance and strength from this day forward and for ever more. And all God's people said:

*People:* 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 ~ written by the Rev. Bonnie Tarwater, and posted on the Worship Ways blog; Prayer of the Day ~ Re-Worship blog; Offertory Prayer of Thanksgiving ~ Lectionary Liturgies – Rev. Thom Shuman; The Sending ~ from Lectionary Liturgies Blog and Wisdom Quest, written by the Rev. Dr. Bertrice Wood.

*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 liturgist today is Elder Mare Stewart.
- Our musician today is Angie Williams.
- Our ushers/greeters today are Cheryl & Al Bettenhausen.
- **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](http://www.OCPChurch.com).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS —

- **Third 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 —

- This afternoon – 2:30 p.m. Halloween party and movie for children, youth and adults.
- Sunday, November 4 – 2:00 a.m. **DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS!!**
- Set your clocks **BACK** one hour!
- 10:00 a.m. All Saints’ Day Worship and Communion

## VOLUNTEERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY —

- Communion Server – Cathy Thiltgen
- Liturgist – Cathy Thiltgen
- Usher/Greeter – Jerry Thiltgen
- Fellowship – Linda Porter
- Nursery – Deacons

**HOLIDAY REMEMBRANCE NOVEMBER 4 AT 1 PM... Join Nitardy and Schneider-Michaelis for a Holiday Service of Remembrance.** This celebration is for families who have lost a loved one and wish to honor them and will be presided over by Sarah Hoffman MS, LPC. Following the service, there will be a time of fellowship and refreshments. This event is being held November 4th, 1:00 p.m., Nitardy Funeral Home, 1008 Madison Ave., Fort Atkinson, WI 53538. **Please RSVP to (920) 563-5898, or (920) 674-3960.**



## NOVEMBER 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 November are Monday 9 am to 12 pm & 4 pm to 5 pm, Wednesday 9 am to 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.

### **FOOD NEEDED AT CAMBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY**

The Cambridge Food Pantry needs Tuna, Cereal, Pancake Mix and Syrup, Ketchup, Hearty Soups, Ramen Noodles, Canned Ravioli, Size 5 & 6 Diapers, Shampoo and Hair Conditioner, Paper Towels, Toilet Tissue.

**At the present time the Food Pantry is collecting Money and Food Items for the Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets.** We could really use Ritz and Town House Crackers for the baskets.



**Community Café** – Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is the next Cambridge Community Café! The meal will be hosted by Grace Lutheran Church. They will be serving Rigatoni w/Marinara Sauce or Meat Sauce, and Roasted Italian Sausage w/Potatoes and Peppers, Italian Green Salad, Garlic Bread and desserts. The Meal will be served at the CAMBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL, 403 Blue Jay Way. Meal is served from 5:30 p.m. till 6:30 p.m. Everyone in the 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 Strohbusch)  
Don Hawkins (husband of Margaret Hawkins)  
Jayne Kilian (daughter of Judy & Monty Pearson)  
Wade Kubina (son of Jo Kubina)  
Shawn Spack (son of Jenine & Jack Spack)  
Joan Spaulding (wife of Ralph Spaulding)  
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 David Stockwell (grandson of Jim & Mardy Schilleman); Nancy Van Valkenberg; 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.

**BLUE JAY BACKPACK COLLECTION:** There are 75 students currently receiving weekend food through the Blue Jay Backpack food program. **We are being asked EACH MONTH to collect 75 of each of the following items: microwaveable ravioli and/or spaghetti cups AND low sugar fruit cups and/or applesauce.** These should be non-refrigerated. You can also make a financial donation to OCPC. If you are interested in helping with this collection, we could use a volunteer or two to shop for these items if we receive some financial gifts towards them.

**MISSION CHALLENGE FOR OCPC:** Hunger is a daily issue in our schools. The number of children and youth facing food scarcity at home continues to increase while federal funding for school lunch (and breakfast programs) face further government cuts. The Blue Jay Backpack Program currently only provides food to 75 K-12 graders once a month. It is hoped that over this year that the program can begin to meet the needs on a weekly basis. Many schools have begun food pantries in the school building. McFarland High School, where Pastor Scott works, has one. The hope would be that Cambridge School District working with the Food Pantry with the support of the local churches and community groups could also have food pantries in the middle and high school. To do this, more volunteers and financial gifts would be needed. This is a local mission we as a congregation should support with our donations and also with volunteers.

## 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**

#### **Music—**

**Accompanists:** Karen Brunk, Marian Korth, Emily Rausch,  
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