

To Members and Friends of Oakland-Cambridge Presbyterian Church,

January 29, 2019



**"Kindness is like snow—it beautifies everything it covers." Kahlil Gibran**

**OCPC OFFICES CLOSED TUESDAY AFTERNOON THROUGH FRIDAY!** – Due to the forecasted extreme cold and dangerous wind-chills predicted, the offices of OCPC will be closed. Ruth Poole and Scott will be available via email. We will also be checking messages. We encourage you to take your own precautions to ensure yours and your family's safety during these next few days. If you have elderly neighbors or friends, please check on their wellbeing too. If someone would need a warm place to stay, please send us an email. If we are able to open the church as a warming shelter, we will work to do that for you or others. Thank you!

**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING... This Sunday, February 3!** Neither the Packers (nor the Lions, Vikings or Bears oh my!) have made the playoffs this year, but we will celebrate Super Bowl Sunday nonetheless with our annual Souper Bowl of Caring service and soup luncheon (Thank you to Mike and Cheryl Stitz for providing the soup!) We will be collecting food items and monetary donations for the local Food Pantry. Last year we collected 85 food non-perishable food items and raised \$210 for the Cambridge Food Pantry. Let's challenge ourselves to raise \$300 and 100 items for the food pantry! Come on, team OCPC, we can do this!





**8 OUT OF 10 LOW INCOME,  
FOOD INSECURE SENIORS**

are not receiving the home-delivered  
meals they need

**MEALS ON WHEELS...** Volunteers are needed to deliver meals from February 18 to March 1. If you can help, please contact Cheryl Stitz [clstitz@charter.net](mailto:clstitz@charter.net) or 608-695-1838.

**CHILDREN'S LIBRARY...** The Annual Reading Program began in the Children's Library on January 27. This program will last ten weeks and will end on April 7. All children in the church are welcome to sign up. Those who participate and reach their goal will be eligible to attend a movie outing at the end of the program. Prizes will be given out throughout the ten weeks as incentives. Sunday School students need to turn in their reading slips often. Their progress charts will be updated regularly and posted on the bulletin board in the library. The goal for each child will be to earn ten credits. More credits can be earned and will result in bonus prizes. For more information, contact Cathy Thiltgen.

**COMING SUNDAY, MARCH 3** – Mardi Gras Celebration and Jazz Worship complete with Cajun Food and a King Cake!

**ASHES-TO-GO ON ASH WEDNESDAY (MARCH 6) ...** Pastor Scott will once again be joining with some of the Cambridge area clergy to mark the beginning of Lent with "Ashes to Go" on March 6 in Downtown Cambridge. Watch for more information about this Ash Wednesday event.

**WINTER WEATHER POLICY...** As we head into the winter weather months, the Session would remind you of inclement weather policy. If due to bad weather we need to cancel worship, we will post to our Facebook page, send out an email, and make calls to those who do not use the internet. Please make sure to check your email, Facebook page or answering machine. There may also be a rare occasion when, due to poor driving conditions, Pastor Scott is unable to make it safely out to Cambridge. On those Sundays, he will share his sermon with an Elder to read and worship will go on as scheduled.

**CHILI DINNER FUNDRAISER FOR "EVERYONE EATS" CAMPAIGN:** A new program has been introduced in the Cambridge Community to provide funding at the Cambridge Schools to subsidize meal accounts for children that may not be able to afford a

hot lunch. The program is 100% community funded and they continue to look for ways to fund this important program.

As a result the Cambridge School District and Badger Bank are hosting a **Chili Dinner at the Cambridge High School Commons on Thursday, January 31<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.** Chili bowls provided by CHS art students are \$5.00. Chili dinner is a free-will donation.

**CAMBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY & RESOURCE CENTER:** The items most needed at the Cambridge Food Pantry at this time are: Cereal, Ramen Noodles, Microwavable Mac & Cheese, Pop Tarts, Pancake Mix and Syrup, Diapers sizes 2, 4, 5 & 6, Shampoo and Conditioner, Tampons, Regular Feminine Pads, Toilet Tissue and Paper Towel, large Women’s Depends. Thank you!

January 22, 2019



**“From the morning’s first light to the setting of the sun, God’s name be praised!”**



**“You are the Light of the World!” (Matthew 5:14)**

**ANNUAL MEETING AND POTLUCK LUNCH... THIS SUNDAY, January 27** is our annual meeting followed by a potluck meal. At the meeting, the Session will present the 2019 Budget (not much different than the 2018), elect Members-At-Large for the Nominating Committee, and tend to any other business.

Following our meeting, we invite everyone to stay for our annual pot-luck fellowship meal. We will provide the table service and beverages. Please bring a dish to share. Desserts are always welcome, so are healthy salads, veggies, brats, steaks, lobster, shrimp or ribs!

January 15, 2019



**Christmas Eve Worship at OCPC**

## **JANUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE...**

**January 20** – Winter worship indoors!

Yes, you read that correctly! We will once again be joining together for another indoor Winter Worship Service this Sunday! Please dress accordingly! Hot coffee and refreshments will be served afterwards in the Fellowship Hall!

**January 27** – Annual Meeting and All Church Potluck! We will provide the table service and beverages. Please bring a dish to share. Desserts are welcome, so are healthy salads, veggies, brats, steaks, lobster, shrimp or ribs!



**“Morning has broken, like the first morning...”**

January 8, 2019



**Thank you to everyone who helped to make our sanctuary look beautiful for the Advent and Christmas season! We will be taking down the decorations on Saturday, January 12 at 9 a.m. Your help would be most appreciated! Also, please **TAKE YOUR POINSETTIAS HOME.****

### **JANUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE...**

January 13 – Baptism of Jesus/Renewal of Baptism vows

January 20 – Winter worship indoors! Please dress accordingly!

January 27 – Annual Meeting and All Church Potluck

**A BAPTISM CELEBRATION AT OCPC!** This Sunday, January 13, is on the liturgical calendar as The Baptism of Jesus. As we do each year on this Sunday, we will renew our Baptism vows.



**Because of God's tender mercy, the morning light from heaven is about to break upon us  
(Luke 1:78).**

**"THANK YOU"** to everyone who contributed to the Christmas Joy Offering. We collected a total of \$236.46.

January 1, 2019



**(December 30 Sunrise & Sunset - Photos by  
Pastor Scott)**

**AT THE END OF THE YEAR**

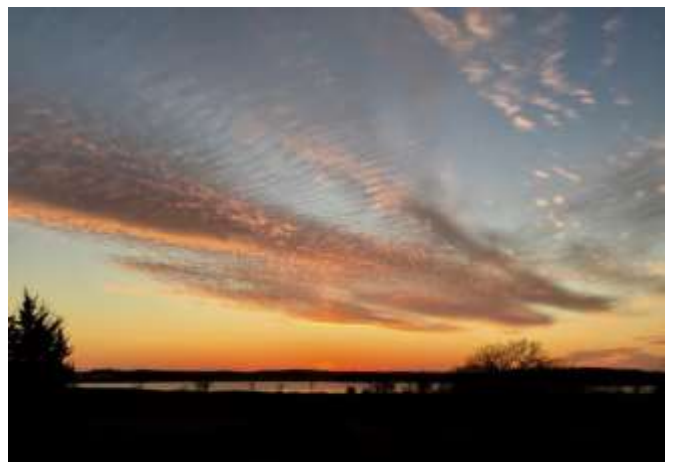
**As this year draws to its end,  
We give thanks for the gifts it brought  
And how they became inlaid within  
Where neither time nor tide can touch them.**

**Days when beloved faces shone brighter  
With light from beyond themselves;**

**And from the granite of some secret sorrow  
A stream of buried tears loosened.**

**We bless this year for all we learned,  
For all we loved and lost  
And for the quiet way it brought us  
Nearer to our invisible destination.**

**JOHN O'DONOHUE**



**JANUARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE...**

- January 6 – Epiphany Sunday with communion
- January 13 – Baptism of Jesus/Renewal of Baptism vows
- January 20 – Winter worship indoors!
- January 27 – Annual Meeting and potluck

Pastor Scott will be off on Sunday, January 6. The Rev. Hugh Drennan will once again be our guest preacher. While Pastor Scott has not been off, he has, unfortunately, been busy, officiating at two funerals both related to his work in the McFarland Schools. On December 20, the McFarland Middle School had two of its students die, both from health related issues. A few days later, the mother of a middle school student, who was on hospice care, also died. Pastor Scott was asked to officiate at two of the funerals. This past, Saturday, December 29, he officiated at the funeral for the 8th grader. On January 3, he will officiate at the funeral for the mother. In presiding at these funerals, he represents himself as the pastor at Oakland-Cambridge Presbyterian Church as well as a teacher in the McFarland Schools. On January 7, weather permitting, he will be attending a meeting with the Cambridge School Administration and area clergy to discuss ways the churches and ministers can be supportive to the schools should similar situations arise.

**OUR CHURCH CALENDAR:**

- **Sunday, February 3 – Souper Bowl of Caring**  
**10:00 a.m.** Worship and communion  
Communion Servers: Judy Pearson  
Liturgist: Roman Leto  
Ushers/Greeters: Cheryl Stitz  
Fellowship Hosts: Souper Bowl Sunday – Fellowship Committee
- **Sunday, February 10 –**  
**9:00 a.m. LIBRARY DAY** – Children’s Library open  
**10:00 a.m.** Worship and Sunday School  
Liturgist: OPEN  
Ushers/Greeters: The Letos  
Fellowship Hosts: Sylvia & Larry Jensen  
**11:00 a.m.** Session  
**11:00 a.m.** Children’s Library open
- **Saturday, February 16**  
**9:30 a.m.** John Knox Presbytery meeting at Covenant PC, Madison
- **Sunday, February 17**  
**10:00 a.m.** Worship  
Liturgist: OPEN  
Ushers/Greeters: OPEN  
Fellowship Hosts: Ann & Dale Febock  
**11:00 a.m.** Deacons

- **Sunday, February 24**  
**9:00 a.m. LIBRARY DAY** – Children’s Library open  
**10:00 a.m.** Worship and Sunday School  
 Liturgist: OPEN  
 Ushers/Greeters: Larry & Sylvia Jensen  
 Fellowship Hosts: Melanie Rumpf  
**11:00 a.m.** Children’s Library open

**MILESTONES**

**Birthdays**

- Libby Porter ..... February 3
- Michael Kennedy ..... February 5
- Megan Meier ..... February 5
- Cori Traeder ..... February 6
- Mary Olson ..... February 8
- Tyce Bettenhausen ..... February 12

- Jenine Spack..... February 14
- Jeremy Porter ..... February 15
- Ruth Poole ..... February 20
- Jerry Thiltgen ..... February 25
- Virgil Runge..... February 27

**Anniversaries**

- Jack & Jenine Spack ..... February 11

**PLEASE HOLD THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN PRAYER THIS WEEK —**

- Griffin Clark (grandson of Bill & Patty Strohubusch)
- Don Hawkins (husband of Margaret Hawkins)
- Linda Johnson (mother of Randy Johnson)
- Jayne Kilian (daughter of Judy & Monty Pearson)
- Wade Kubina (son of Jo Kubina)
- Shawn Spack (son of Jenine & Jack Spack)
- John “Jack” Swank and his family (birth father of Renee Roland Johnson)

The family of Joan Spaulding, 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.

**STANDING DATES – These are regularly scheduled events**

- Pastoral Office Hours – Generally 9:00 a.m. to Noon Tuesdays
- Business Office Hours – 8:00 a.m. to Noon Monday through Thursday
- Sundays – 10:00 a.m. Worship;  
 Communion first Sunday of each month  
 Sunday School 10:00 a.m. on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays from September through May  
 Fellowship & Refreshment following worship service each week.
- Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at 8:30 a.m. – OA
- Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. – AA
- Second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at noon – Community Activities Program Senior Meal

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