

To Members and Friends of Oakland-Cambridge Presbyterian Church,



Then God planted a garden in Eden, in the east.

IN THE BEGINNING... OF THE NARRATIVE LECTIONARY CYCLE: This Sunday, September 8, we start a new cycle of the Narrative Lectionary. The journey through our sacred faith story begins with the second creation story found in Genesis 2. From there we will head out east of Eden, to meet up with Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Ruth, David, a few of the Prophets, before encountering Jesus of Nazareth in the Gospel of Mark. As we have done over the past couple of years, we will read these stories in a Readers Theatre Style, inviting you to participate as one of our storytellers that morning. Here is a look ahead at the next four weeks:

- **September 8:** Genesis 2:4b-25 - The other creation story and our call to be caretakers of God's Good Earth.
- **September 15:** Genesis 18 - The sons of Hagar and Sarah, and their father, Abraham: An Interfaith Dialogue.
- **September 22:** Genesis 32 - A holy wrestling match, a broken hip, a new name and a new future.
- **September 29:** Genesis 1 & 3 - Wanted for murder and wanted by God: A man named Moses.

CHURCH LAWN AND OTHER BUILDING NEEDS: We would like to thank Mark Touhey (and Judy Schroeder) for mowing the church lawn and tending to the Peace Garden and flower beds around the church! Many of us take it for granted that the grass will always be mowed and the church yard look beautiful. However, there are times when Mark and Judy could use an extra hand mowing or tending to the garden needs. Recently, Mark had a minor back issue, and was unable to mow for awhile. If you are willing to lend

a hand by mowing, weeding, helping with the weekly trash & recycling or other small tasks around the church, it would be greatly appreciated. Please let Mark or the church office know if you are able to step up and assist our ministry in this way. Thank you!

TECHNOLOGY FOR OCPC: The Session is exploring some technology upgrades that might benefit our worship and educational ministries. A representative from Graphite will be consulting with us at our September 11 Session meeting. He will be helping us explore what our needs might be and how they might serve our ministry. Watch for further information following our September 11 meeting.

CHURCH DIRECTORY UPDATE: We are looking to update our Church Directory. While many of you still have the same contact information, occasionally mailing addresses, emails or phone numbers change. We will have a copy of our current directory on the table in the Fellowship Hall. **Please check your information, writing “Same” beside it, or if it has changed, share your updated information beside your name. Also please include the month and day of your birthday in the listing.** You may also contact Ruth in the church office with your information.

GIVING UPDATE... It’s the summer, and with it many of us are busy with all kinds of outdoor activities. While you may be on vacation, our bills are not. Please remember your OCPC pledge and support our ministry with your financial gifts. Thank you!

FILM FELLOWSHIP Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church in Cottage Grove formed a committee to develop a film fellowship. The film fellowship will begin on Sunday, September 22 and will be on the third Sunday of each month (unless otherwise noted) and will begin at 2:00 p.m. The films are being chosen with the idea that what we believe affects the actions we engage in. After the film there will be relevant discussion as well as refreshments. EVERYONE is welcome and encouraged to attend.

- **September 22** “Amazing Grace” – The story is about the struggle against slavery in England.
- **October 20** “In America” – A story of the struggles of an immigrant family.
- **November 17** “Hacksaw Ridge” – The story of the invasion of Okinawa in WWII.
- **December 15** “The Power of Forgiveness” – A Documentary.

CAMBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY & RESOURCE CENTER: Currently we can use Sugar, Crackers, Hamburger Helper, Ramen Noodles, Tuna, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Hearty Progressive Soups, Pancake Mix and Syrup, Shampoo and Conditioner. The Pantry will take any extra vegetables you may have from gardens; especially wanted are tomatoes and cucumbers. Thank you! **The pantry was closed Labor Day, September 2nd but will be open for clients to shop on Tuesday, September 3rd.**

OUR CHURCH CALENDAR:

(If you are able to volunteer to fill an opening, please call the church 608-423-3001.)

The Worship Committee does its best to create this calendar, but doesn't know everyone's schedule. If your name appears on a date you can't serve, please try to trade with someone else or find a replacement. Thank you!

- **Sunday, September 8 –**
10:00 a.m. Worship
Liturgist: Matt Meier
Ushers/Greeters: Cheryl & Al Bettenhausen
Fellowship Hosts: Charleen Janus
- **Wednesday, September 11 -**
6:00 p.m. Session
- **Sunday, September 15 -**
10:00 a.m. Worship
Liturgist: OPEN
Ushers/Greeters: OPEN
Fellowship Hosts: Mardy Schilleman
11:00 a.m. Deacons
- **Saturday, September 21 - Barktoberfest**
10:00 a.m. Blessing of the animals???
- **Sunday, September 22 -**
10:00 a.m. Worship
Liturgist: Melanie Rumpf
Ushers/Greeters: OPEN
Fellowship Hosts: Cheryl & Al Bettenhausen
- **Sunday, September 29 -**
10:00 a.m. Worship and Sunday School
Liturgist: OPEN
Ushers/Greeters: Stan & Kay Lund
Fellowship Hosts: Linda Porter

MILESTONES

Birthdays

Joe LetoSeptember 3
 Angela WurtzSeptember 9
 Cashton WurtzSeptember 9
 Jodi KelterSeptember 13
 Kodi PorterSeptember 13
 Angela Stitz-KennedySeptember 22
 Luke MandliSeptember 25

Anniversaries

Andy & Amber RumpfSeptember 4
 Mark Touhey &
 Judy SchroederSeptember 9
 John & Shelly KennedySeptember 11
 Randy & Renee Johnson ...September 15
 Stan & Kay LundSeptember 16
 Jeremy & Abby PorterSeptember 25
 Bill & Patty StrohbuschSeptember 27

PLEASE HOLD THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN PRAYER THIS WEEK —

Griffin Clark (grandson of Bill & Patty Strohbusch)
 Teagan Mae Groves, Pastor Scott’s great-niece (born July 11 to his nephew, Heath, & Heath’s wife, Samantha)
 Don Hawkins (husband of Margaret Hawkins)
 Linda Johnson (mother of Randy Johnson)
 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 Vivian Olson 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 2nd & 4th 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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