

To Members and Friends of Oakland-Cambridge Presbyterian Church,

September 24, 2019



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Baptism with Clayton Michael Woodman, infant son of Kelly and Andy Woodman and brother of Aspen. The Woodmans will also be providing food for our Fellowship Hour.



“Moses, Moses, take off your shoes for you are standing on Holy Ground.”

OUR NARRATIVE LECTIONARY READINGS CONTINUE... This Sunday, September 29 we will explore the story of Moses from his birth to his encounter with the great “I Am” in the “Burning Bush.”

- **October 6:** Deuteronomy 5 & 6.
- **October 13:** The Book of Ruth, Chapter 1.
- **October 20:** Samuel 5 & 6 - David Becomes the King.

BARKTOBERFEST: Pastor Scott joined Cambridge Area Clergy in the Blessing of the Canines on Saturday, September 21. Julie Anderson and her sweet pup, Biggie, came for a blessing and stayed for the custom contest, which Pastor Scott helped judge. Can you guess what movie character Biggie dressed as? Hint: Don't say his name out loud three times!



**CAMBRIDGE AREA FORUM ON GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION
OCTOBER 14 – 6:30 PM**

Gun Violence is a National Health Crisis. On **Monday, October 14**, we will host a community forum. A panel discussion will be led by people who are working to address the epidemic of Gun Violence in our state and nation. Panelists will include

representatives from our schools, medical community, faith leaders, law enforcement, and elected officials.

AGING AND SENIOR CARE RESOURCES [Caring.com](https://www.caring.com) is a leading senior care resource for family caregivers seeking information and support as they care for aging parents, spouses and other loved ones. They have been featured by AARP, The Administration for Community Living, The National Legal Resource Center, and Forbes, as well as referenced by many governmental agencies and organizations across the Internet. The following is a link to their Senior Care and Assisted Living Guide for communities in Wisconsin: (<https://www.caring.com/senior-living/assisted-living/wisconsin>)

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!

FALL DINNER St. Paul's Liberty Lutheran Church (3494 Oak Park Rd., Deerfield) is hosting this all-you-can-eat family-style dinner on Saturday, October 5 from 4:00–7:00 PM. Menu: Turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, gravy, coleslaw, cranberries, green bean casserole, pie, coffee, milk. Adults—\$10; Children—\$4; Ages 2 and under—Free. Carry-outs available—\$10... Open to the public. **Bake sale:** 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. with seasonal favorites including Lefse. Information: (608) 764-5885 or www.stpll.org.

September 17, 2019



Jacob Wrestles with a Stranger

NARRATIVE LECTIONARY CONTINUES... This Sunday, September 22 we will explore the story of Jacob, who on the night before his meeting his twin brother, Esau, wrestles with a mysterious stranger on the banks of the river Jabbok. In doing so, Jacob's hip is injured, and he receives a new name - Israel. Blessings do not always come easy, and sometimes they come about through our emotional and spiritual struggles with God which can leave us broken and yet, made new.

- **September 29:** Genesis 1 & 3 - Wanted for murder and wanted by God: A man named Moses and the encounter with "I Am!"

TECHNOLOGY FOR OCPC: The Session is exploring purchasing new technology that will allow us to provide Audio-Visual components to our worship and our faith formation. They have quotes for a new flat screen monitor (65"), a cart, new speakers and a streaming system.

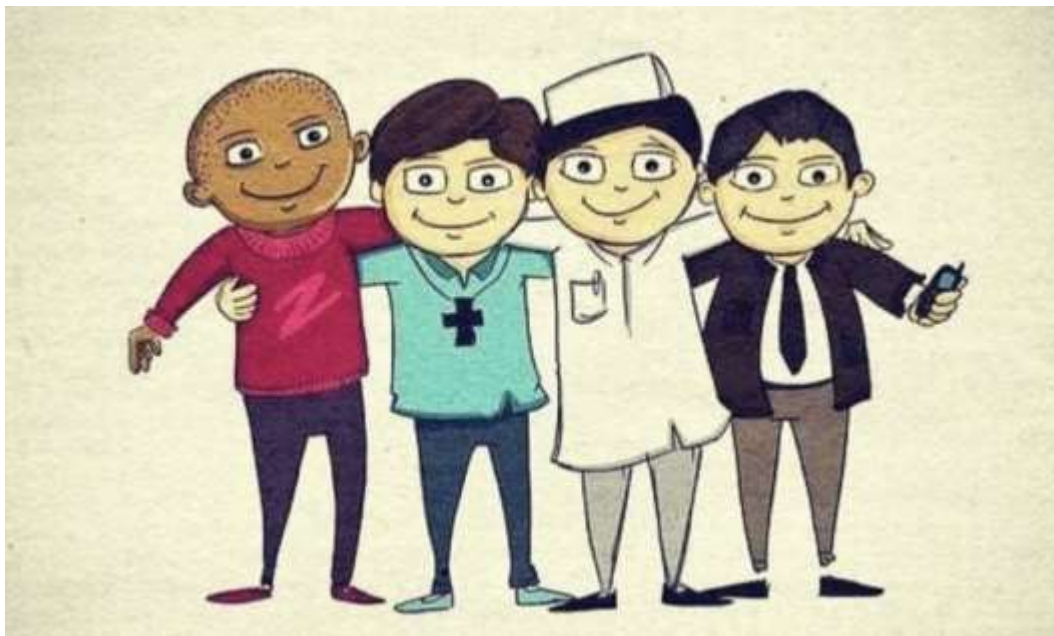
THANK YOU: To Anna Febock, Kay & Stub Lund, Melanie Rumpf, Judy Schroeder, Ralph Spaulding, Mike Stitz, and Mark Touhey for delivering Meals on Wheels this summer.



**Cambridge Barktober Fest at Westside Park
Saturday, September 21 from 11 AM to 3 PM**

BARKTOBERFEST is a free, fun event for humans and their friendly dogs. Proceeds to Jefferson County Humane Society! Pastor Scott will be joining with other Cambridge area clergy for a “Blessing of the Canines” at 1 PM.

September 10, 2019



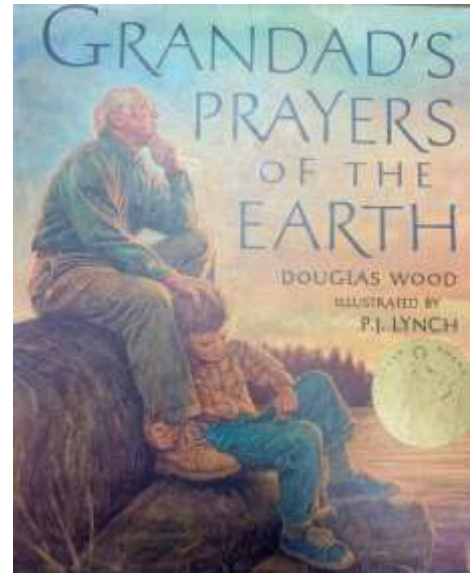
Did You Hear the One About a Muslim, a Jew, and a Christian?

They walk into a coffee shop, talk, laugh, drink coffee, and become good friends.
It isn't a joke. It is what happens we when do not fear the other and see the sacred image of our Creator in all people.

NARRATIVE LECTIONARY CONTINUES... This Sunday, September 15 we will be reading and reflecting on the story of Hagar and Sarah and their sons, Ishmael (Hagar) and Isaac (Sarah) both fathered by Abraham in Genesis 17-25. Through this family, the three major world religions trace their common ancestor with God (Allah in Arabic, Yahweh or Jehovah in Hebrew, and G-d in English) at the center of all three. We have much in common with each other, despite what extremist groups who seek to affiliate with each of these religions. Here is an article you might find helpful in understanding how people of different faiths come to know, understand and enjoy each other's friendship.

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/a-christian-a-jew-and-a-muslim_b_5367795 or this one about how people are gathering at bars in northern Israel to enjoy each other's company: <https://www.haaretz.com/israel-news/.premium.MAGAZINE-a-jew-a-muslim-and-a-christian-walk-into-a-bar-in-northern-israel-1.6463191>

- **September 15:** Genesis 17-25 - The sons of Hagar and Sarah, and their father, Abraham: An Interfaith Dialogue.



Lydia Grace Meier and her mother, Megan, joined Pastor Scott for the Children's Message this past Sunday. Together they read Douglas Wood's book: "Granddad's Prayers of the Earth"



Morning Meadow Meanderings Up Hidden Farm Road in McFarland
(pictures by Pastor Scott on his morning dog walk with Shadow)

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.

September 3, 2019



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.

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!

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 29 -**
10:00 a.m. Worship and Baptism
Liturgist: Bud Rumpf
Ushers/Greeters: Larry & Sylvia Jensen
Fellowship Hosts: The Woodman family; Cheryl & Al Bettenhausen
- **Sunday, October 6 –**
10:00 a.m. Worship and communion
Communion Servers: Mare Stewart
Liturgist: Mare Stewart
Ushers/Greeters: Judy Pearson
Fellowship Hosts: Karin Mandli
- **Wednesday, October 9 -**
6:00 p.m. Session

- **Sunday, October 13 –**
10:00 a.m. Worship
 Liturgist: Cheryl Stitz
 Ushers/Greeters: Mike & Cheryl Stitz
 Fellowship Hosts: Deacons (Judy Schroeder; Cheryl Stitz)
4:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals
- **Monday, October 14 -**
6:30 p.m. Cambridge Area Forum on Gun Violence Prevention at OCPC
- **Sunday, October 20 –** Special Music with Mare Stewart & Barb Brown
10:00 a.m. Worship
 Liturgist: OPEN
 Ushers/Greeters: OPEN
 Fellowship Hosts: Julie Anderson; Lorin Fulton
11:00 a.m. Deacons
- **Sunday, October 27 -**
10:00 a.m. Worship
 Liturgist: OPEN
 Ushers/Greeters: Bruce & Lori Erickson
 Fellowship Hosts: Ann & Dale Febock

MILESTONES

Birthdays

Luke MandliSeptember 25
 Rachel Kelter October 2
 Eva Wurtz..... October 5
 Trent Bettenhausen October 12
 Kelly Homann..... October 13
 Lindsey Vanderbilt October 13
 Scott Marrese-Wheeler October 21
 Linda Johnson October 21

Abby Porter October 23
 Kay Lund..... October 26
 Sue Bettenhausen..... October 27
 Maggie Porter October 29

Anniversaries

Jeremy & Abby PorterSeptember 25
 Bill & Patty StrobuschSeptember 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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