



Service for the Lord's Day

24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2020

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

Call to Worship [Responsive]

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

One: Friends, we have come to worship God, the living God, who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness. Who answers the forces of hatred, fear and hurt with the power of grace. Who chooses even you and me, to receive and carry the Word of life and hope, healing and love, out into the world!

The Prayer

One: Friends, loving and caring for others, and especially those in desperate circumstances, has ever been a mark of those who live in communion with God. Failure to love and care is evidence of a breach with God and a violation of Christ's command. Therefore, let us confess together the ways in which we have failed to love and care, as we pray our prayer of confession: Let us pray:

Many: **Forgiving God, we confess that we have sinned against you and against your people. We confess that we have let fear and hatred drive us. We have failed to live your commandments to love You and our neighbors. We have supported--through our words, our silence, our lack of action, acts of aggression and violence against people of whom we are afraid. Again and again, we have fallen down in our efforts to love our enemies. Again and again, we have failed to provide for each other in the way Jesus commanded. We confess that we have missed the mark in our attempts to embody your loving presence on earth, and we ask you to embolden our words, our actions, and our spirits that we may heal this broken world. Amen.**

The Assurance of Forgiveness

One: Friends, it is not to earn God's grace that we love one another; it is because God's great mercy shown in the self-giving love of Jesus Christ frees us to be grateful. The experience of forgiveness makes our heart more like God's, our mind more like Christ's and therefore more loving toward others. In Christ, our sins have been forgiven. Thanks be to God for this good news!

The Scripture

Isaiah 6:1-8

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.'

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

One: For the Word of God in Scripture, For the Word of God among us, For the Word of God within us,

Many: We give thanks to God!

The Reflection "The Eve of Destruction or Creation?" Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler
<http://ocpchurch.com/files/135260002.pdf>

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

One: Holy God, source of all being, you are greater by far than our human thoughts can comprehend. With all that you have created, you abide; weeping with us in grief and pain, rejoicing with us in life and love. You are everywhere in this very moment; holding the entirety of living experience and weaving us together in the great and intricate tapestry of Creation. Creator God, mother and father of us all, in your holy love you took on our limitations. Born of a body, bound within a body, you know the whole

of this human experience. Learning to communicate with words; teaching us to communicate with presence. Learning the fears that wring us dry; teaching us of the love that nurtures us back to life. Source of life, and breath, and being, breathe into the dry dust of our existence. Everlasting God, you are everywhere and right here in this parking lot, in the homes of those gathered with us around your table virtually. As close as the air we breathe, the air which binds us one to another and all to your beautiful creation. You are as close as the sunlight on our skin, as close as the rain that drips from our hair; the wind and the water that push us and lead us and call us again and again into relationship with one another and with you. Holy Spirit, divine Advocate, guide and encourage us. Bless now the different forms of bread and cup we share this morning, setting aside these our common gifts to their sacred use. And then stir within our hearts, that we may speak anew the familiar words that Jesus taught us...

ALL: 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.

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of Bread and Sharing of Cup

(You are invited to have your own piece of bread and juice. You may also substitute bread with a cracker, pastry or even a cookie. For juice, you may substitute it with coffee, tea, milk, or water. This is a symbolic sacramental meal we are eating together while physically apart.)

The Prayer after Communion

One: Let us pray... Nourished in body by bread and juice, may we strive for the nourishment of all bodies: may we work to end hunger in this creation that provides amply for all. Nourished in spirit by the Body which is within our own, may we strive for the incorporation of all: may we work to break the barriers that divide us from one another and from you. In the love that sustains us, and the Spirit that animates us, we give all thanks and praise to you, God of all. Amen.

We Depart to Do God's Will

***The Sending** Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

One: And now the service begins. Go from this place to share God's love. Go from this place to continue to sow seeds of justice, grace, compassion, peace and love. Go out into God's world to nourish and be nourished by one another, knowing that God is ever present within us and all around us, as God is in all people's lives. And the blessing of God the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer be with us. Amen.



The liturgy this morning is from: The Call to Worship ~ adapted from a post on the United Church.

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)

ANNOUNCEMENTS —

- 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.)
- Help us save “pig points.” For us to receive a rebate, please turn in your receipts from the Cambridge Piggly Wiggly in one of three ways: **1.** Place them in the brown bag in the narthex. **2.** Cheryl Stitz will do a porch pickup of any receipts that you may have. Call her at 608-695-1838 to make arrangements. **3.** Receipts can also be mailed to the church office. All funds received are used for mission projects.

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION: Each Sunday when we gather for outdoor worship, the Session voted to take up a special collection for the food pantry. We will place the red bin in the parking lot. You may bring your non-perishable food items to donate to place in the bin. If you wish to make a financial donation, please make checks out to OCPC, noting it is for the food pantry.

SHOE COLLECTION FOR THE HOMELESS: We will also be collecting gently worn shoes to donate a homeless shelter in Madison. Elder Mike Stitz will have a special bin outside of the parking lot entrance. You may bring men’s or women’s shoes and place in the bin.

WORSHIP SERVICES:

**OUR NEXT OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE WILL BE ON SUNDAY,
DECEMBER 6 AT 10:30 AM (PLEASE NOTE TIME OF WORSHIP CHANGE)**

Reservations are required. Please call or email the church office.

At each outdoor worship service, we will celebrate Communion. You are invited to bring your own form of bread (crackers, pastry, pretzels) and a beverage (juice, wine, coffee, tea, water). With the colder weather, we invite you to remain in your warm vehicle, and tune your radio to FM 104.3 for worship. If the weather is warm enough, and you feel comfortable sitting outside, please bring your own chairs, and wear a mask. We will also be live-streaming the service on Facebook and then on YouTube. On the Sundays we do not meet in the parking lot, Pastor Scott will be sharing a liturgy and reflection on Facebook and YouTube.

NEW! Donate to our church, Presbyterian Church of Oakland-Cambridge, using the app, **Give+**. Search for “GivePlus Church” in your app store (Vanco Payment Solutions). Once it’s installed, find us using our zip code (53523), and set up one-time or recurring payments, OR use the QR Code below to access our donor page. A link to our donor page is also on our website www.ocpchurch.com. (Click on the button with the green heart)
Thank you!





SEPTEMBER 2020 Update

Hello to all,

Hard to believe September is coming to a close. The month has gone by quickly.

We have settled into the new space in the lower level of the Nikolay Middle School. Even though the new space is ready to receive guests, we are still under a no-contact advisory from The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). This means that the Cambridge Food Pantry will continue to offer drive up grocery pickups on Monday evenings from 5:30-6:30 until further notice.

We continue to receive tremendous support from both the Community Action Coalition of Wisconsin and Second Harvest. The community also continues to give generously to the program. However, with Winter approaching and the cold and flu season that comes along with it, we anticipate an increase in need for food and personal items in our community.

Below is a "wish list" for the food pantry. We would be grateful if you could continue to encourage your congregations, neighbors and friends to give what they can. There is a donation bin outside of the lower level doors of the middle school/food pantry entrance for non-perishable food items. Anyone wishing to donate perishable foods can contact me directly either by phone or email and I will make arrangements to accept those donations. Monetary donations continue to be the most needed and most efficient way to support the food pantry at this time.

Thank you all for your continued support of the Cambridge Food Pantry.

I hope you all remain healthy and safe.

Kindest regards,

Kerry Marren 608-423-8142 foodpantry@cambridge.k12.wi.us www.cambridgecap.net

CAMBRIDGE FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST: Hearty Soups, Canned pasta (SpaghettiOs, Ravioli, Beefaroni), Canned or packet tuna, Heat and serve complete meals (non-refrigerated/shelf stable), Individual cereal boxes/bowls, Individual oatmeal packets, Saltines, Ramen, Shampoo and conditioner, Laundry soap, Dish soap.

PLEASE HOLD THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN PRAYER THIS WEEK —

Betsy (friend and caretaker of Ken Bilstad) Cards can be sent c/o Ken at 230 Bilstad Rd.
Griffin Clark (grandson of Bill & Patty Strobusch)
Ron Guthery (father of Michelle Wagner)
Don Hawkins (husband of Margaret Hawkins)
Sylvia Jensen (Waunakee Manor, 801 S. Klein Dr., Rm. 302, Waunakee, WI 53597)
Linda Johnson (mother of Randy Johnson)
Jayne Kilian (daughter of Judy Pearson)
Nancy Kristiansen
Wade Kubina (son of Jo Kubina)
Marilyn Schuster (Oakwood Village East, 5565 Tanco Dr., Madison, WI 53718-1901)
Shawn Spack (son of Jenine & Jack Spack)
John "Jack" Swank and his family (birth father of Renee Roland Johnson)

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 family of Judy Brandt 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

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Class of 2021: Melanie Rumpf

Class of 2022: Joe Leto, Mike Stitz

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Class of 2020: Randy Johnson, Judy Pearson

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Class of 2022: Cheryl Bettenhausen

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