



Service for the Lord's Day

2nd Sunday of Easter – Hybrid Worship
April 11, 2021 10:00 a.m.

We Gather as God's People

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. h

Prelude "Christ Is Risen, Alleluia!" arr. by Albin C. Whitworth

Call to Worship [Responsive]

One: The Peace of Christ be with you.

Many: **And also with you.**

One: Easter is not an event that has occurred it's an adventure that has begun not a place that we have visited

Many: **but a path on which we stand;**

One: a story not complete, but unfolding characters still breathing stations still teeming with the promise of new life not just for you and me

Many: **but for all people, in all places.**

One: Easter is the season of wild hope, of dangerous intent, of potent promise where the future flaps unfurled in the spirit's breeze.

Many: **Today, we continue the resurrection journey.**

One: We walk the path of two who traveled a dusty road wrapped in confusion and despair, two who shared the company of a stranger voicing their pain, airing their fears and in the listening heard words of hope and promise and in the eating received true bread of life.

Many: **We re-enter the story with expectation that Christ will also reveal himself to us.**

One: Let us worship the Risen One!

The Music "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

The Prayer of the Day [Responsive]

One: Let us pray... Living Jesus, whose presence on our daily road we often fail to see; warm our hearts with fresh confidence in your Word, so that, in making room for the stranger beside us,

Many: **we find your hospitality awaiting us, and the reassurance of your presence to inspire us to tread the road again and to share the good news of your resurrection life. Amen.**

We Listen for God's Word

The Scripture

Luke 24:13-35

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

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 Sermon

"Before and After"

Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

<http://ocpchurch.com/files/135803201.pdf>

We Respond to God's Love

The Prayer Music "Open My Eyes That I May See"

The Pastoral Prayer [Responsive]

One: Gracious God, You are a God of hospitality; there is none like you that invites all to come to you. You have invited all to your home, to your table, and to your arms. Lord, would that all would hear and receive this good news. Lord, help us to remember that no one is better than anyone else in your Kingdom.

Many: Help us to then treat each other the way you treat people.

One: Generous God, Because you treat us with your tender love, We take time to pray for our friends, family members and others who need you more than ever.

Many: Pour out your healing on all who need it.

One: Be generous with your transforming love for those who need it in their lives. Bring forth your reconciliation in families, and in places where it is needed.

Gifted God, You give us the gifts of the spirit to use to further your Kingdom and to be the Body of Christ in the world.

We take time to remember the people impacted by this deadly pandemic and to thank you for all who are involved in the healing ministries that continue to take place and give us hope.

Many: Empower us to continue to be your hands and feet to continue the work that needs to be done there and in so many other places.

One: There is none like you God in your love, your generosity, your gifting and your hospitality.

Many: And we thank you that you are in our lives, working in us and through us to let people know your kingdom is open to all and in all and through all.

One: In the name of your Son, who opened the doors for all and broke down barriers that kept people from you, Amen.

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.

We Depart to Do God's Will

The Music "Christ Is Alive"

The Sending Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

One: May God, who comes to us in the things of this world, bless your eyes and be in your seeing.

May Christ, who looks upon you with deepest love, bless your eyes and widen your gaze.

May the Spirit, who perceives what is and what may yet be, bless your eyes and sharpen your vision.

May the Sacred Three bless your eyes and cause you to see anew!

Let us go in peace to love and heal the world. And all God’s people said:

Many: Amen.

Postlude “Alleluia” by Mozart; arr. by Lani Smith



The liturgy this morning is from: Call to Worship ~ words by Craig Mitchell (2005) & Iona Community. In “Emmaus Worship Service,” posted on Mountain Masala: Exploring Spirituality, Culture, Media and Cuisine; The Prayer of the Day ~ posted on the Monthly Prayers page of the Christian Aid website; The Pastoral Prayer ~ written by Rev Abi, and posted on Rev Abi’s Long and Winding Road blog. <http://vicarofwadley.blogspot.ca/>; The Sending ~ written by Jan L. Richardson, and posted on The Painted Prayerbook.

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.

WORSHIP SERVICES UPDATE:

SUNDAY APRIL 18 WORSHIP AT 10 AM – Hybrid in-person sanctuary worship continues.

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!





JANUARY 2021 Update

Hello to all,

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 Strohmusch)
Don Hawkins (husband of Margaret Hawkins)
Sylvia Jensen
Linda Johnson (mother of Randy Johnson)
Jayne Kilian (daughter of Judy Pearson)
Nancy Kristiansen
Wade Kubina (son of Jo Kubina)
Marilyn Schuster (Home Again, 308 England St., Cambridge, WI 53523-9117)
Shawn Spack (son of Jenine & Jack Spack)
John "Jack" Swank and his family (birth father of Renee Roland Johnson)
Betty Willmore

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 Renee Roland Johnson on the death of her father; Mary Trailer (wife of Dick Trailer); Mark Olson on the death of his wife, Mary; 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 2022: Joe Leto, Mike Stitz

Class of 2023: Randy Johnson

BOARD OF DEACONS (Meets the third Sunday of each month.)

Class of 2021: Judy Schroeder, Cheryl Stitz

Class of 2022: Cheryl Bettenhausen

Class of 2023: Judy Pearson, Mare Stewart

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