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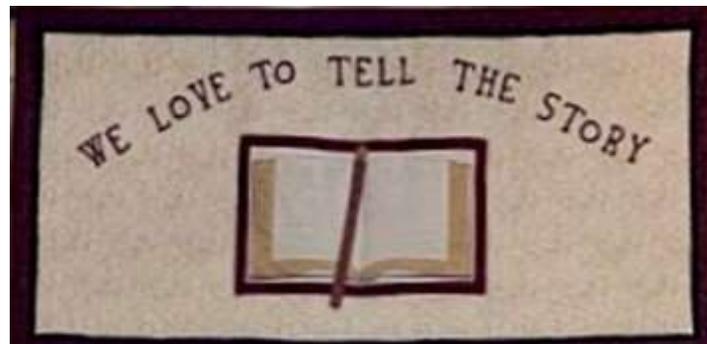
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UPDATE FROM SESSION CONCERNING MASKS FOR VACCINATED AND UNVACCINATED PEOPLE IN WORSHIP.

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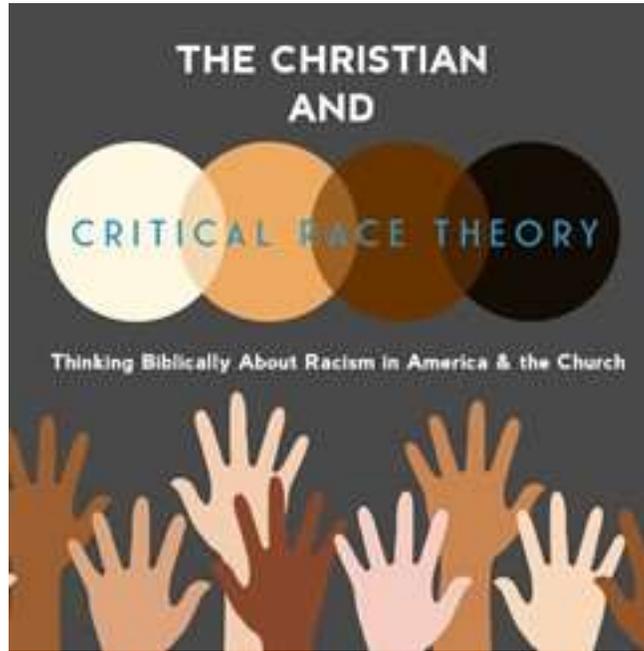
June 29, 2021



I Love To Tell The Story: A Summer Sermon Series

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JULY 4
6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
10 AM WORSHIP
COMMUNION



GENESIS 16:1-15 & LUKE 18:9-14

WE LOVE TO TELL THE STORY – In E. Ernest Nichol’s 1896 hymn, “We’ve A Story To Tell To The Nations”, he writes these lyrics: “We’ve a story to tell to the nations, That shall turn their hearts to the right, A story of truth and mercy, A story of peace and light,” with the refrain adding these words: “For the darkness shall turn to dawning... and “Christ’s great kingdom shall come on earth, the kingdom of love and light.” We do have a story to tell as a nation, but like our own life story, how do we tell it honestly, even those parts we would rather not talk about, especially in church? This Sunday, we will be exploring America’s story with a critical eye towards the underlying story of slavery and racism that still impacts our nation and the Church today.

Our scripture stories for this Sunday are Genesis 16 (the story of Abram, Sarai, Hagar and Ishmael) and Luke 18:9-14 (Jesus’ story of the Pharisee and the Publican).

We will be celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. For those joining us for in-person worship, we will be providing the bread and cup this Sunday. If you are joining us online, we invite you to have your own form of bread and beverage for communion.

Our musician for this Sunday is Marian Korth. We also continue to live-stream the service on our church Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/OCPCambridgeWI>

"Excellent routes, location, support, and post-ride fun. Superb ride!"

9TH ANNUAL
Lake Ripley ride
 Cambridge, WI

FANTASTIC
 62-mile metric century
 Scenic 40-mile route
 Fun 18-mile route

FABULOUS
 Post-ride celebration!
 Sandy swimming beach!
 Live music — cold beer!

NEW! Optional GRAVEL miles!

SATURDAY, JULY 31
 REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 15
 \$40 early bird
 \$45 after June 1
 2021—Fun VIP options!
 Kids: \$15 (12 & under)

Cambridge Community Activities Program

lakeripleyride.com
 All proceeds support CAP and JDRF Ride to Cure Diabetes!

JDRF RIDE TO CURE DIABETES

OCPC COMMUNITY MISSION AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY... This year on Saturday, July 31, OCPC is helping with the Lake Ripley Ride To Cure Juvenile Diabetes. We will be volunteering at the London Community Center Rest Stop from 9am-1 pm. We will need 5 volunteers (can arrange from shifts of 5 at a time). If you are interested in volunteering, please let Pastor Scott know. If you are interested in riding in this family friendly event, here is the link to learn more:

<https://www.bikesignup.com/Race/WI/Cambridge/LakeRipleyRide>

VACATION SCHEDULE: Our office manager, Ruth, will be on vacation/out of town from August 9-16. Please be sure to submit any information for the August 8 and 15 bulletins, and the E-News for August 10, early enough so that they can be prepared before she leaves town. Thank you!



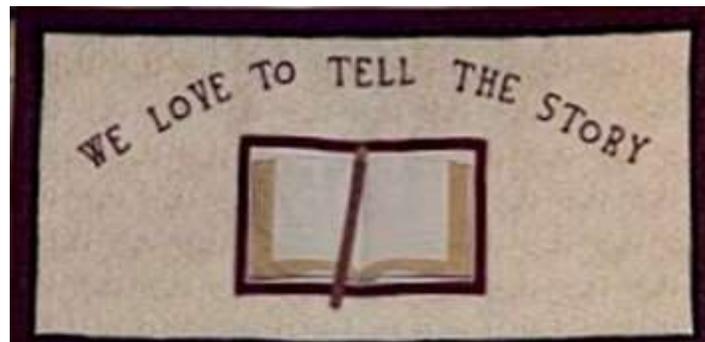
FROM PERSONNEL: For several years Julie Anderson has worked to keep our church clean. However, Julie recently informed the church that her time as a cleaner is coming to a close. We want to thank Julie for her efforts. We appreciate all she has done for us. We will now be looking for someone else who may be interested in filling the position. If you have any interest, or know of anyone who might want the job, please let us know. In the meantime, **we need help cleaning the church.** Currently the building is not used much, so twice-a-month cleanings may be sufficient. We are looking for volunteers to help us out. There will be a clip board for signing up in the Fellowship hall. Please help us out as you are able!

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2021 are available in Fellowship Hall and by request or appointment. Please contact Ruth in the church office 608-423-3001 to arrange pick-up.



FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST: Canned Meats, Rice, Cookies/Sweets, Cereal, Egg Noodles, Pasta Sauce, Laundry Detergent, Dish Soap, Cleaning Supplies, Feminine Products, Shampoo and conditioner. Donation bin is located outside of the lower level middle school/food pantry entrance and monetary donations are gladly accepted via the Food Pantry website or by mail to P.O. Box 54, Cambridge WI 53523. Thank you!

June 22, 2021



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June 27: “The Power of Story in Shaping our Lives and the Church” Genesis 12:1-4

JUNE 27

5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 AM

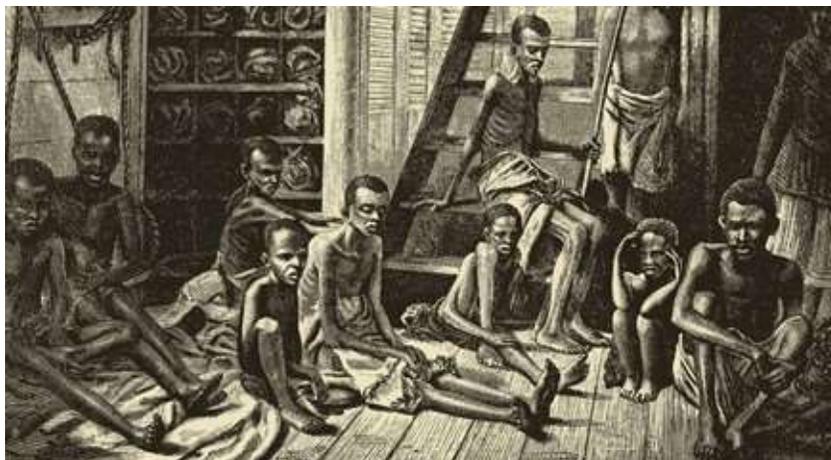
GENESIS 12:1-4



A family migrating to the United States.



Immigrants at Ellis Island.



Enslaved Human Beings forced to live in America.



“The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am the Lord your God.” Leviticus 19:34

WE LOVE TO TELL THE STORY – “The Power of Story in Shaping our Lives and the Church” This Sunday, June 27, we will be exploring our faith story, a story which is shaped by the biblical accounts of our ancestors who were migrants (foreigners, aliens, immigrants, strangers) constantly on the move, sometimes by choice, sometimes being forced to do so by war, violence or economics, in search of a better life, and trusting God was with them. In our telling their story of exile and exodus, we begin to see our own stories in theirs, and better understand how we are to love and care for the strangers in our midst.

Our musician for this Sunday is Angie Williams. We also continue to live-stream the service on our church Facebook page.

June 15, 2021

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June 13: “In the beginning...” Genesis 1 & 2

June 20: “Giants and Evil and God, Oh My!” Genesis 6:1-8

June 27: “The Power of Story in Shaping our Lives and the Church” Genesis 12:1-4

JUNE 20 4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 10 AM GENESIS 6:1-8



WE LOVE TO TELL THE STORY – “Of Giants, and Evil, and God, Oh My!” There are many stories in the Bible we are familiar with (or think we are), but then we happen upon one that makes us stop, reread, scratch our head and say, “That’s a story in the Bible?” Genesis 6:1-8 may be the most confusing and interesting story we “Love” to tell. This

Sunday, we will be discussing Sons of God, Demigods, Giants (Nephilim) on earth, Evil and God's decision to start the whole story over. This is one story you will want to hear!

Our musician for this Sunday is Marian Korth. While we have plenty of room to safely seat everyone, we ask, if you are able, to let Ruth or Pastor Scott know if you plan to attend worship. We also continue to live-stream the service on our church Facebook page.

ANNUAL MEETING OF OCPC SUMMARY... This past Sunday, June 13, the annual meeting of the congregation was held following worship. We gathered outside. A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Pastor Scott with prayer. Updates were shared by Mark Touhey on upcoming building repairs and scheduled updates to the manse, and surveying of the church lot lines discussed. A new Nominating Committee was elected: Elder Melanie Rumpf: Moderator, Judy Schroeder: Deacon representative, Mare Stewart and Joe Leto (members-at-large). New Lake Ripley Cemetery Board Members were also elected: Dick Trailer and Joe Leto. The budget and finances were reviewed by Mark Touhey. No other business came before the gathered congregation. The meeting was adjourned with prayer by Pastor Scott. **Thank you to Judy Pearson and Cheryl Bettenhausen for the refreshments!**

June 8, 2021

JUNE 13

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

THIS SUNDAY, we will meet after worship in the parking lot. We will also be ordaining and installing the church officers for 2021—Randy Johnson, Ann Febock, Judy Pearson and Mare Stewart. Please bring a chair. Copies of the annual report are available. *(This is identical to the copy emailed in February. If you would like it re-sent, we can do so by individual request, or if you want a hard copy, we have a few available today.)*



WHY WE ARE STILL WEARING MASKS INSIDE

Recently, the CDC said that fully vaccinated persons would no longer need to wear masks indoors. They also said that those who are not vaccinated would need to continue to do so. While many people are vaccinated, many are not yet. This includes young children. Families with young children are very mindful of this as the virus is still among us. The CDC also said that people who have been fully vaccinated, but have compromised immune systems and underlying health issues (heart problems, diabetes, cancer, obesity) and are taking medications for treatment of these and other health issues, still face a higher risk of contracting the virus as the vaccine is less effective.

As a faith community, we are called to follow Christ's commandment to love one another and to care for the one another especially the children, the sick and vulnerable among us. We are also called to welcome guests, receiving them as if they were the Christ. Yes, many businesses and dining establishments have lifted their mask requirements or made them optional, but we are not a business or a dining establishment. We are the Body of Christ, a church. Our doors are open to everyone who would join us for worship inside. We are not requiring proof of vaccination nor do we want to put people in the uncomfortable position of having to wear a mask because they aren't vaccinated while others who are vaccinated do not have to wear them. In addition, we want to encourage young families, and yes, we do not have many of those in our congregation, to return to worship. Many are still cautious and anxious about gathering because their children are not vaccinated. While some of us would be more comfortable without wearing a mask, not everyone is, even if they are vaccinated. We need to understand our still requiring masks inside isn't about what each of us wants to do as individuals, it is what we are called to do as the community of faith. We are the body of Christ. So please, for now, wear your mask indoors for worship.

The Session will be addressing how we can safely move forward while being mindful of everyone in our doing so at their next Session meeting on June 14. Thank you.

JUNE 6

#presbyswearorange

#wearorange



OCPC MEMBERS ALONG WITH PASTOR SCOTT wore the color orange as a way of supporting victims of gun violence in our nation. We continue the holy work of advocating for changes in our gun laws and accountability of gun manufacturers and the gun lobby to help create a future without gun violence.

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June 20: “In the beginning was the Word” John 1:1-5

June 27: “The power of story in shaping our lives and the Church” Genesis 12:1-4 and Mark 1

JUNE 13

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10 AM

(MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED)

GENESIS 1 & 2

EVERY GOOD STORY HAS A BEGINNING. The book of Genesis is where our sacred faith story begins. Most of us think it begins in Genesis 1, with the words “In the beginning” and it does. However, there is another beginning to our story that starts in Genesis 2:4 with these words: “In the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the Lord God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground— then the Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being.”

Where does your story begin? Where does our story begin? And how do we tell it to our family at gatherings, to others over coffee or to ourselves in the middle of the night? Through the lens of Christ, whose story is interwoven through our individual and collective story, we will begin to reflect on how we tell the story of us.

Our musician for this Sunday is Karen Brunk. While we have plenty of room to safely seat everyone, we do continue to require masks and ask if you are able to let Ruth or Pastor Scott know if you plan to attend worship. We also continue to live-stream the service on our church Facebook page.

DEADLINE FOR PIGGLY WIGGLY RECEIPTS IS SUNDAY, JUNE 13. Cheryl Stitz will do a porch pickup of any receipts that you may have. Call her at 608-695-1838 to make arrangements. Receipts may also be dropped off or mailed to the church office.

KUDOS TO THE CREW! Thank you to everyone who distributed the huge pile of mulch in the parking lot to around the church plantings and flower bed. The work was done by **Dan, Michelle and Jacob Wagner**, as well as **Judy Schroeder and Mark Touhey**.

June 1, 2021

PLEASE REMEMBER:

Masks are still Required by Everyone who Enters the Church and for Worship, even if you have been fully vaccinated! While we are all ready to shed our masks, we continue with our mask requirement because not everyone is vaccinated yet and some who are still have health issues that continue to put them at greater risk. We do not want to single out people who are not vaccinated, so as a way to continue to show our love and concern for one another, we continue to require everyone to wear masks inside the church and sanctuary. The Session will be discussing changes to our policies based on new guidance and science at their June 14 Meeting.



#wearorange

JUNE 4-6 IS #wearorange TO END GUN VIOLENCE WEEKEND. We are invited to participate by wearing the color orange to worship. #wearorange We have done so in past years. As a congregation we have hosted a March For Our Lives Prayer Vigil organized by Cambridge High School Youth, held a community education Town Hall Forum on Gun Violence Prevention, held an area training event for community members who wanted to

learn how to advocate for changes to laws that will help end gun violence, held funerals for people whose lives tragically ended because of Gun Violence, and offered far too many prayers and sermons after mass shootings. Pastor Scott serves on the state board of directors for the Wisconsin Anti-Violence Effort (WAVE). He helps advise the March For Our Lives Youth movement here in Cambridge that works to end gun violence.



Rev. Deanna Hollis

Pictured above is Presbyterian Minister, Rev. Deanna Hollas. She is the first person ordained to the ministry of Gun Violence Prevention. She serves the larger church through the Presbyterian Church Peace Fellowship.

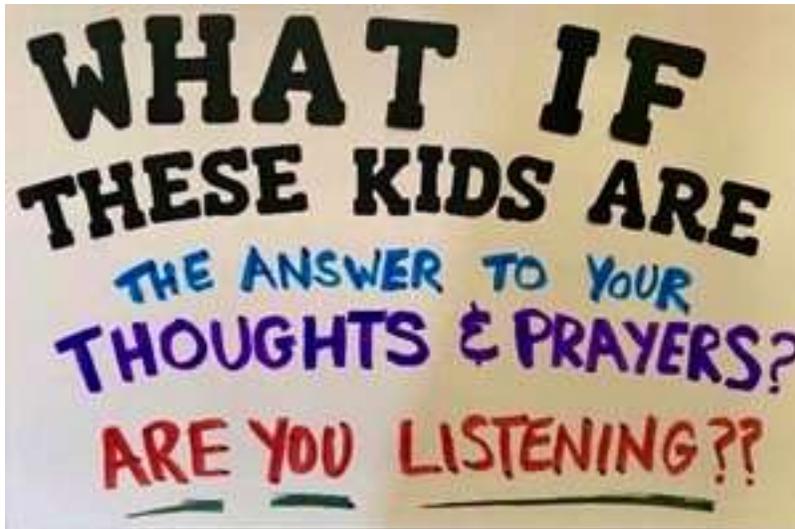
JUNE 6
2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
10 AM
(MASKS ARE STILL REQUIRED)



JEREMIAH 1:4-8

“Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet

to the nations.’ Then I said, ‘Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a Youth’ But the Lord said to me, ‘Do not say, “I am only a youth”; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.’”



THIS SUNDAY, JUNE 6, is the second Sunday after Pentecost. It is Graduation Sunday for the Seniors at Cambridge and McFarland High School. We have two graduates this year, **Emily Hanson** (Cambridge) and **Luke Mandli** (McFarland). Kay and Stub Lund’s grandson, **Johnathon Lund**, graduated from Lake Mills High School last week. Also, **Rachel Kelter** received a Master’s Degree in Accounting from UW-Whitewater Our focus in worship will be on youth leadership in our community, state and nation, as we celebrate with the Class of 2021.

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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>)

DONATE ONLINE 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 go directly to our donor page by using the QR Code below, or the link on our webpage, www.ocpchurch.com. Thank you! (You may also mail in your offering and pledge: **OCPC 313 E. Main Street, Cambridge, WI 53523.**)



MILESTONES

Birthdays

- Nancy Kristiansen July 1
- Bud Rumpf July 12
- Bobbi Rumpf July 14
- Staci Marrese-Wheeler July 17
- Nancy Breitsprecher July 18
- Ann Febock July 19
- Linda Porter July 20

- Patty Strohbusch..... July 25
- Bruce Erickson July 26
- Samuel Hanson July 28
- Sue Bettenhausen..... July 31
- Judy Pearson July 31

Anniversaries

- Michael & Linda Porter July 23

PLEASE HOLD THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN PRAYER THIS WEEK —

- Betsy (friend & caretaker of Ken Bilstad) Cards can be sent c/o Ken at 230 Bilstad Rd.
- Griffin Clark (grandson of Bill & Patty Strohbusch)
- Don Hawkins (husband of Margaret Hawkins)
- Sylvia Jensen
- Linda Johnson (mother of Randy Johnson)
- 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)

The families of Betty Willmore; Albert “Lee” Roland, Jr., father of Renee Roland Johnson; 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.

STANDING DATES – These are regularly scheduled events

- Pastoral Office Hours – Generally 9:00 a.m. to Noon Wednesdays
- Business Office Hours – 8:00 a.m. to Noon Monday through Thursday
- Sundays – 10:00 a.m. Worship;
Communion first Sunday of each month
(Bring your own form of bread & beverage)
- Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. – AA

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