



# Service for the Lord's Day

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Hybrid Worship  
July 18, 2021 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 questions, and your story wherever you are on your journey in life. Our prayer is that together we will experience God's presence.

**Prelude** ..... "Someone's Praying, Lord" arr. Douglas E. Wagner

### **Call to Worship** [Responsive]

*One:* The Peace of Christ be with you.

**Many:** And also with you.

*One:* In the beginning, God created humankind and all creatures, great and small,

**Many:** because God loved a good story.

*One:* Sometimes our story is our commitment to one another, faithful in our relationship with them,

**Many:** and sometimes it is painfully one in which we deny another in their time of need.

*One:* Our story does not end in rejection and brokenness,

**Many:** The story we love to tell is one of mercy and forgiveness.

*One:* Even in the suffering and pain we inflict on one another,

**Many:** The One who loves us, offers us healing and new life.

*One:* God loves a good story,

**Many:** one that is still being told in our everyday lives.

*One:* This is the story we are called to tell in worship and our living!

**Music** ..... "God, How Can We Forgive"

God, how can we forgive when bonds of love are torn?

How can we rise and start anew, our trust reborn?

When human loving fails and every hope is gone,  
your love gives strength beyond our own to face the dawn.

When we have missed the mark, and tears of anguish flow,  
how can you still release our guilt, the debt we owe?

The ocean depth of grace surpasses all our needs.

A priest who shares our human pain, Christ intercedes.

Who dares to throw the stone to damn another's sin,  
when you, while knowing all our past, forgive again?

No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live.

As you, O God, forgive our sin, may we forgive.

### **The Prayer of the Day** [Responsive]

*One:* Let us pray... God of all compassion, Comfort your family members who live with HIV.

**Many: Spread over us all your quilt of mercy, love and peace.**

*One:* Open our eyes to your presence reflected in their faces. Open our ears to your truth echoing in their hearts.

**Many: Give us the strength to weep with the grieving, to walk with the lonely, to stand with the depressed.**

*One:* May our love mirror your love for those who live in fear, who live under stress and who suffer rejection.

**Many: Comforting, healing God grant rest to those who have died and hope to all who live with HIV.**

*One:* God of life, help us to find the cure now and help us to build a world in which no one dies alone and where everyone lives accepted, wanted and loved. We pray in your name, Amen.

## **We Listen for God's Word**

### **The Scripture**

Luke 22:33-34, 54-62

And he said to him, 'Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death!' Jesus\* said, 'I tell you, Peter, the cock will not crow this day, until you have denied three times that you know me.'

Then they seized him and led him away, bringing him into the high priest's house. But Peter was following at a distance. When they had kindled a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat down together, Peter sat among them. Then a servant-girl, seeing him in the firelight, stared at him and said, 'This man also was with him.' But he denied it, saying, 'Woman, I do not know him.' A little later someone else, on seeing him, said, 'You also are one of them.' But Peter said, 'Man, I am not!' Then about an hour later yet another kept insisting, 'Surely this man also was with him; for he is a Galilean.' But Peter said, 'Man, I do not know what you are talking about!' At that moment, while he was still speaking, the cock crowed. The Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, 'Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.' And he went out and wept bitterly.

**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** “Rejected, Rebounded and Redeemed” Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler  
<http://ocpchurch.com/files/136128454.pdf>

## **We Respond to God’s Love**

**The Prayer Music** ..... “Healer of Our Every Ill”

**Healer of our every ill, light of each tomorrow,  
give us peace beyond our fear, and hope beyond our sorrow.**

**You who know our fears and sadness, grace us with your peace and gladness;  
Spirit of all comfort, fill our hearts.**

*Refrain*

**In the pain and joy beholding how your grace is still unfolding,  
give us all your vision, God of love.**

*Refrain*

**Give us strength to love each other, every sister, every brother;  
Spirit of all kindness, be our guide.**

*Refrain*

**You who know each thought and feeling, teach us all your way of healing;  
Spirit of compassion, fill each heart.**

*Refrain*

**The Pastoral Prayer** [Responsive]

*One:* Let us pray... Let us pray for the poor, hungry, and neglected all over the world, that their cries for daily bread may inspire works of compassion and mercy among those to whom much has been given. Lord, in your mercy,

**Many: Hear our prayer.**

*One:* Let us pray for schools and centers of learning throughout the world, for those who lack access to basic education, and for the light of knowledge to blossom and shine in the lives of all God’s people. Lord, in your mercy,

**Many: Hear our prayer.**

*One:* Let us pray for an end to the divisions and inequalities that scar God’s creation, particularly the barriers to freedom faced by God’s children throughout the world because of gender identity; that all who have been formed in God’s image might have equality in pursuit of the blessings of creation. Lord, in your mercy,

**Many: Hear our prayer.**

*One:* Let us pray for the health of women, children, and families around the world, especially for an end to maternal and child mortality, that in building healthy families, all God’s people may be empowered to strengthen their communities and repair the breaches which divide nations and peoples. Lord, in your mercy,

**Many: Hear our prayer.**

*One:* Let us pray for an end to pandemic disease throughout the world, particularly the scourges of the Coronavirus and HIV/AIDS, along with other deadly diseases, that plagues of death may no longer fuel poverty, destabilize nations, and inhibit reconciliation and restoration throughout the world. Lord, in your mercy,

**Many: Hear our prayer.**

*One:* Let us pray for an end to the waste and desecration of God’s creation, for access to the fruits of creation to be shared equally among all people, and for communities and nations to find sustenance in the fruits of the earth and the water God has given us. Lord, in your mercy,

**Many: Hear our prayer.**

*One:* Let us pray for all nations and people who already enjoy the abundance of creation and the blessings of prosperity, that their hearts may be lifted up to the needs of the poor and afflicted, and partnerships between rich and poor for the reconciliation of the world may flourish and grow. Lord, in your mercy,

**Many: Hear our prayer.**

*One:* Lord, hear our prayer as we continue to pray the prayer you taught your disciples to pray, saying...

### **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**

### **Closing Hymn** ..... “We Are Called”

**Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!  
We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God!**

*Refrain:*

**We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,  
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!**

**Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear!  
We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more!**

*Refrain*

**Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one!  
God will reign, and we’ll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love!**

*Refrain*

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

*One:* When we are afraid, when we seek wisdom,

**Many: We will walk in the light which God gives us.**

*One:* When we are strong, when we need healing,

**Many: We will walk in the light which God gives us.**

*One:* When we are sad, when we are joyful,

**Many:** We will walk in the light which God gives us.

*One:* Through Advent and through all our days, all our pilgrimage,

**Many:** We will walk in the light which God gives us, We will walk safely home.

*One:* Friends, let us go out into the world to tell the story of God’s redeeming love in all we say and do, and may God Creator, Christ, and Spirit be with you.

**Many:** Amen!

**Postlude** ..... “Lord, Listen to Your Children” Ken Medema, arr. Jack Schrader



The liturgy this morning is from: The Prayer of the Day ~ ELCA World AIDS Day Liturgy; The Pastoral Prayer ~ from the Episcopal Office of Government Relations, United States. Posted on Church World Service’s Making Poverty History page; The Sending ~ Re:Worship blog.

*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)*

- Our musician today is Marian Korth.

## **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 JULY 25 WORSHIP AT 10 AM** – Hybrid in-person sanctuary worship continues.

**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 use the QR Code below to access our donor page. A link to our donor page is also on our website [www.ocpchurch.com](http://www.ocpchurch.com). (Click on the button with the green heart.) Thank you!



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](mailto:foodpantry@cambridge.k12.wi.us) [www.cambridgecap.net](http://www.cambridgecap.net)

**CAMBRIDGE 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.

# FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES

FOR CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT FAMILIES

(NO CLOTHING OR MEAL THIS YEAR DUE TO COVID-19)



**WHEN & WHERE: DRIVE-UP ONLY**  
**MONDAY AUGUST 16TH, 4:00PM-7:00PM**

**NIKOLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL (NMS), 211 SOUTH STREET CAMBRIDGE**

**PULL INTO CIRCLE AND WE WILL BRING SUPPLIES OUT TO YOU BASED ON GRADE**

**CALL/TEXT/EMAIL KRISTIN GOWAN FOR MORE INFO: 608.213.5819. KGOWAN@CAMBRIDGE.K12.WI.US**

**TO DONATE:**  
**CASH OR CHECK ARE**  
**MOST HELPFUL THIS YEAR:**  
PAYABLE TO CAMBRIDGE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT

BRING TO SCHOOL DISTRICT  
OFFICE 403 BLUE JAY WAY

**DONATIONS DUE**  
**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 11TH**

DROP OFF AT THESE  
CAMBRIDGE LOCATIONS:

(BINS OUTSIDE IF OFFICE CLOSED)  
SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICE  
NIKOLAY MIDDLE SCHOOL  
CAMBRIDGE ELEMENTARY

**MOST NEEDED SUPPLIES:**

BACKPACKS,  
SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS (TI 30x),  
GRAPH COMPOSITION NOTEBOOKS,  
MECHANICAL PENCILS, BINDERS,  
SHARPIES MARKERS,  
EXPO MARKERS, POST-IT NOTES,  
JUMBO GLUE STICKS, SCISSORS,  
EARBUDS, HEADPHONES



**THANK YOU!**

**HELPING OUR CAMBRIDGE STUDENTS START THE YEAR EQUIPPED TO SUCCEED!**

**PLEASE NOTE...** We are trying to update our prayer list. 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

**Pastoral Office Hours:** Generally 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Wednesday or by appointment  
**Business Office Hours:** 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday  
(Church hours are approved by Session and posted on church entry doors.)

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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

### **CHURCH STAFF**

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