



Service for the Lord's Day

10th Sunday after Pentecost – Hybrid Worship

August 1, 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 “Let Us Break Bread Together” arr. Tom Birchwood

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: Some of our favorite stories

***Many:* are shared over a meal.**

One: One of the stories we love to tell is of bread broken and a common cup shared.

***Many:* In our sharing this meal together, we tell the story of Christ's love for us.**

One: One common loaf of bread broken for us.

***Many:* One common cup, a new covenant given for us.**

One: In our celebration of this joyful feast of the people of God,

***Many:* We join our hearts and lives together to tell this story of love for all!**

Music SF # 2268 “As We Gather at Your Table”

As we gather at your table, as we listen to your word,
help us know, O God, your presence; let our hearts and minds be stirred.
Nourish us with sacred story till we claim it as our own;
teach us through this holy banquet how to make Love's victory known.

Turn our worship into witness in the sacrament of life;
send us forth to love and serve you, bringing peace where there is strife.
Give us, Christ, your great compassion to forgive as you forgive;
may we still behold your image in the world you died to save.

Gracious Spirit, help us summon other guests to share that feast where triumphant Love will welcome those who had been last and least. There no more will envy blind us nor will pride our peace destroy, as we join with saints and angels to repeat the sounding joy.

The Prayer of the Day [Responsive]

One: Let us pray... Lord, the eyes of all look to You in hope;

Many: and You give them what they need.

One: You open Your hand

Many: and satisfy the hunger and thirst of every living thing.

One: We, too, turn to You again, longing to be filled to eat of the Bread of Life, to drink from Your life-giving streams, to taste Your goodness and live.

Many: May the time we spend together in Your presence nourish our hearts and minds

One: may it strengthen our relationship with You, and renew our commitment to live in this world as Your faithful disciples.

Many: For You alone are God, the Source and Sustainer of life. Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

The Scripture

John 6:1-14

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

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

"The Best Meal Ever!"

Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

<http://ocpchurch.com/files/136175212.pdf>

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Communion Song *SF # 2265* "Time Now to Gather"

Time now to gather, time now to feel Christ's holy presence gracing this meal.
Grain from the harvest, fruit of the vine; simple the supper, sacred the sign.

Time to remember Christ who was sent. Time to say, "Thank you" for all he meant.
Come to this table. Come, without fear. God will forgive you, welcome you here.

All who are hungry, come, and be fed. Serve one another this cup and bread.
All who are troubled, hurting, or sad, come, and find healing. Come and be glad!

The Invitation

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

One: Creating God, source of our being, we give you thanks and praise for you have brought forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. In the beginning you created people in your likeness. In your likeness, you created people who multiplied and became many— people of many genders, races, nationalities, and abilities. You created the world and all that is in it without borders or walls and you called it "good." For this we praise you, saying

Many: Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the Highest!

One: Blessed is the one Who comes in the name of God;

Many: Hosanna in the highest.

One: Jesus, our sibling, born of Mary in a stable in Palestine, you confronted the powers and principalities of your time, and welcomed as your friends those who society had cast aside. For love and liberation of your people, you risked your life and were executed by the brokenness of empire. Yet even death could not put an end to the love you embody. Out of death, you arose to new life to live again among your people. With joy we celebrate what you have done, and with dedication we follow you, transformed by your love, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Many: Christ has died; Christ has risen; Christ will come again.

One: Boundless God. Pour out your Spirit on this bread and this cup. Through these ordinary gifts that sustain us our bodies,

Many: Nourish us and transform us, That we might remember that we belong to each other and to you.

One: Through this remembering,

Many: Let us be reconciled to each other and to you.

One: Through this remembering,

Many: May we tear down all boundaries and walls that we have built,

One: Through this remembering,

Many: May all peoples in all places and times be united in you as we share this meal

One: and continue to teach us to pray the words you taught your disciples to pray...:

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

(While we are returning to sharing the elements of communion for those attending in-person, we wish to continue to invite you gathered with us at home to join us in the Sacrament. If you wish to partake with us during the service while watching live on Facebook or at a later time, 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... O God our mystery, you bring us to life, call us to freedom, and move between us with love. Having been nourished at your table, may we go into your wondrous and diverse world to tear down walls of exclusion, to confront powers and principalities, to live and love boldly in the promise of your resurrection. Amen.

We Depart to Do God's Will

Closing Hymn *SF* # 2246 "Word of God in Human Language"

Word of God in human language for this time and in our tongue,
tell anew the ageless story, ever ancient, ever young.

May our hearts receive the message of God's faithful loving care;
may our lives respond in action, living deed and living prayer.

Everywhere the world is hungry for the liberating Word,
food for spirit as for body, to be tasted, felt, and heard.

It is thus the Word encounters at God's own appointed hour,
bringing knowledge and perception of true justice, peace, and power.

So God's voice continues speaking in the words we can't deny,
sounding out across the ages. Will we answer or defy?

As the call becomes still clearer, witness that the Word shall last,
may we follow with commitment in the present as the past.

The Sending Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

One: Friends, Go out from here and live lives worthy of the one calling which we all share. In humility, gentleness and patience, speak only what is true and loving and so grow into the unity that is ours in Christ. And may God the creator reshape your hearts; May Christ Jesus, the bread of life, sustain you always; and may the Holy Spirit unite you in the bond of peace.

Many: We go in peace to tell the story of God’s love in all we say and do.

One: In the name of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

Many: Amen!

Postlude “Blessed Assurance” arr. Harold DeCou



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- Our musician today is Marian Korth.

ANNOUNCEMENTS —

- **Our office administrator, Ruth, will be on vacation starting August 8 until August 16. Please submit any information this week that she may need for the weeks of August 8 and August 15!**
- 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 AUGUST 8 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. (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 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 2023: Randy Johnson

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Class of 2023: Judy Pearson, Mare Stewart

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