



# Service for the Lord's Day

Trinity Sunday – Outdoor Worship and Annual Meeting

June 12, 2022

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.

**The Gathering Music** ..... "Sweet Hour of Prayer" Bradbury, arr. Mier

**The Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude** ..... "How Great Thou Art" arr. Unke

**The Call to Worship** [Responsive]

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

**Many:** And also with you.

*One:* We gather for worship this morning in the presence of our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

**Many:** Let us worship the Triune God.

*One:* Let us worship the One who spoke in the beginning and created something out of nothing.

**Many:** Let us worship the Triune God.

*One:* Let us worship the One who took on the clothing of humanity to set those who were oppressed free.

**Many:** Let us worship the Triune God.

*One:* Let us worship the One whose Spirit rests continually upon us, calling us from sorrow-filled endings to bright new beginnings.

**The Opening Hymn** PH # 430 (verse 1)..... "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

**Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!**

**For Christ the Lord has led us through the ages long!**

**In bold accord, come celebrate the journey now and praise the Lord!**

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

*One:* Let us pray: O Living God of past and future,

*Many:* **we praise you for this present moment.**

*One:* Fill us with your joy and empower us with your Holy Spirit,

*Many:* **that our strength may be renewed to sing a new song of your glory in a world which longs for your justice and peace.**

*One:* All this we ask in the name of Jesus,

*Many:* **in whom we become your new creation. Amen.**

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

### **The Scripture**

Acts 2:43-47

"Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved."

Acts 4:32-37

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

1 Corinthians 12

"Now you are the body of Christ, and individually members of it."

**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 Time of Reflecting Together on the Future of the Church**

1. What does it mean to be the Body of Christ, the "Church" in today's world?
2. What will the Body of Christ, the "Church", including OCPC, look like in the future?
3. How has being the "Church" changed since followers of Jesus first gathered together?
4. How has being the "Church" changed over your own lifetime?

5. How has your own involvement and commitment to the “Church” changed over the years?
6. How will your involvement and commitment to the mission and ministry of change in the next 3-5 years?
7. When you consider the age of our congregation and make up of membership, who do you see as the future leaders to fill the roles needed for our ministry and mission?
8. What changes in our approach to ministry might we have to make to offer a future to this congregation?
9. Are you willing to make changes in order to have a future ministry?
10. Do you/we have the energy to make the necessary changes?
11. How are the lives of the people in the Cambridge area impacted by the ministry of OCPC? How would their lives change if we were not here to provide ministry?

**The Musical Response** (verse 1)..... “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”  
**O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,  
 our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.**

## **We Respond to God’s Love**

### **The Pastoral Prayer** [Responsive]

*One:* God of all new things, God of Spring, and fragrant flowers and lush green fields. God of hope and new life,

**Many: Bless us, we pray, this day.**

*One:* Creator God from whom all life springs forth

**Many: We give You thanks.**

*One:* Come, one and all, Celebrate and rejoice!

**Many: The old has passed away, Everything through you has become new!**

*One:* God of all things passing away, God of old and yesterday,

**Many: the One who is with us in our despair and fear.**

*One:* God who sighs and weeps, with us,

**Many: God who wipes away our tears.**

*One:* Loving God, we offer up these prayers of concern this day - for those struggling to rebuild lives from the epidemic of gun violence, from war, from natural disasters, and for those recovering from human disasters, from failed economies, also for those struggling with illness and, dying and death.

**Many: Hear us when we pray.**

*One:* Incline your ear to our words, silent, shouting cries, mournful whispers, stunned wordless. Be gentle with our suffering with our sorrows and losses, and especially when our hard hearts close us off to you.

**Many: Be gentle. O God.**

*One:* Anoint us with your touch so that the softness of your love

**Many:** can break into our hardness and open us anew.

*One:* Anoint us, Holy One and fill us with you loving touch.

**Many:** Fill us that we can touch in your love and fill others.

*One:* Living God, father, son, mother, daughter, family, friend, one, all With, through, and by  
Your love becomes Reconciled.

**Many:** We celebrate and rejoice - The old has passed away

*One:* In you, in your resurrection, In your life and love,

**Many:** Everything becomes new! 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**

### **Closing Music** *PH* # 281 ..... "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land;

I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy powerful hand.

Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,

Feed me till I want no more, Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow;

Let the fire and cloudy pillar Lead me all my journey through;

Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,

Be Thou still my strength and shield, Be Thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside;

Death of death, and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side;

Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to Thee, I will ever give to Thee.

### **The Sending** [Responsive] ..... Rev. Scott Marrese-Wheeler

*One:* may the God who is community

**Many:** be with us as we seek to be a community

*One:* may God bless our dreams

**Many:** and may God shatter our dreams

*One:* may God help us to be real

**Many:** and to find depth in weakness and brokenness

*One:* may God help us to face and grow through conflict

**Many:** rather than pretend by being nice

*One:* may we look at each other through soft eyes

**Many:** and truly respect each other as human beings

*One:* may God help us let go of control

**Many: and the need to fix one another**

*One:* may God help us discover we are needy in our own souls

**Many: and give attention to our own hearts**

*One:* may God grant us the gift of an extraordinary love

**Many: that flows from the heart of God that covers a multitude of wrongs.**

*One:* Friends, we go together into an unknown future, called by God, walking in the ways of Christ, and guided by the Holy Spirit. Let us go in peace.

**Many: Amen.**

**Postlude** .....“O God Our Help in Ages Past” arr. Shackley



Our liturgy this morning is from: Call to Worship ~ from Watch Night Service 2016, written by Rev. J. Lee Hill, Senior Pastor, Christian Fellowship Congregational UCC of San Diego; The Prayer of the Day ~ from All Things New, written by Rev. Susan A. Blain and Rev. Scott Ressman; The Pastoral Prayer ~ written by the Rev. Terri C. Pilarski and posted on WordsMatter; The Sending ~ written by Anna, and posted on the Grace website worship archive.

*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 Karen Brunk.
- The OCPC Annual Meeting will be held immediately after worship. Following that, please stay for a potluck cookout and picnic.

**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. **The next deadline for receipts is TODAY, Sunday, June 12.**

# WORSHIP SERVICES UPDATE:

**SUNDAY, JUNE 19 WORSHIP AT 10 AM** – In-person worship continues this Sunday in the sanctuary. We still recommend using masks but it will be optional for those vaccinated and boosted, If someone is not vaccinated, we request that you still wear a mask. Everyone must still be mindful of their own health and the health of others.



## UPDATE!

**The food pantry is currently seeking donations of:** Cereal, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Granola Bars, Crackers/Saltines, Cookies, Body Wash, Laundry Soap.

Monetary donations are always greatly appreciated!

For more information on how you can make a difference this holiday season, or to volunteer at the food pantry, please email: [foodpantry@cambridge.k12.wi.us](mailto:foodpantry@cambridge.k12.wi.us) or call Kerry at (608)423-8142.

The Cambridge Food Pantry website can be found at <https://cambridgecap.net/programs/nutrition/food-pantry/>

Thank you for your continued support of your Cambridge neighbors!

**PLEASE HOLD THESE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS IN PRAYER THIS WEEK —**

Lorin Fulton

Don Hawkins is in the Edgerton Care Center

Jan & Nancy Kristiansen

Jenine Spack

The families of Jack Spack, Ken Bilstad, Doreen Drennan, 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

**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 2024: Mare Stewart, Mark Touhey

## **CHURCH STAFF**

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