



College Avenue Presbyterian Church

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Welcome to College Avenue Presbyterian Church!

We're glad you're here with us today and look forward to worshipping together and getting to know each other. Children's Coloring Sheets & Quiet Toys are located at the table area in the front to the left of the stage. We also have a lounge, off the entryway, where we broadcast the service if you need more space. We share a small snack and coffee after the service to connect, reconnect and make new connections. Please come join us.

CHILDREN

We invite children 3 years old to 6th grade to depart for Godly Play (our Sunday School) during the song of praise. You can gather your child(ren) after worship upstairs in the GP room.

CAPC WORSHIP 101 PRAYER CARDS

You're invited to share your prayers of concern and gratitude with the community by filling out the cards, located in the pews, and leaving them in the glass jar on the left of the communion table before the end of the call to worship. We'll use them later in the Prayers of the People time using a call and response prompt.

WIFI

2wire927 is our open wifi access. The password is 7304088568. If you tweet or instagram we invite you to use hashtag #capcoakland

NESTLÉ PARKING LOT

We are able to park in the lot. They ask us to enter and exit off of Chabot Road, and to access the lot via the pedestrian door on Chabot.

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This morning as we gather many come filled with hopes and fears about the nation we call home and the vocation of the people who call Jesus Lord in our society today. The beginning of worship this morning is intended to provide space to sit with, process and reflect from our emotions through scripture. If you'd like to light a tea light candle and place it on the table as a visual expression of where you are this morning please do so. You can light yours off the tall tapers.

GATHERING SONG

"Canticle Of Turning"

- insert

CALL TO WORSHIP

Here am I Lord, I come to do your will.

Here am I Lord, In your presence I am still.

SYMPHONY OF SCRIPTURE

SONG OF PRAISE

"There Is A Redeemer"

- insert

TIME OF CONFESSION

Silent Prayer followed by **Prayer of Forgiveness and Assurance of Pardon**

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Our Darkness"

- insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Call and response liturgically prayed at the conclusion of sharing a prayer card

- Patt Schroeder

Liturgist: God, in your mercy.

Community: Hear our prayer.

To pray with someone after the service, look for today's liturgist in the lounge off the entryway.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG DURING THE OFFERING

"My Life Is In You Lord"

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LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

John 11:17-44

- Patt Schroeder

- Pew Bible, p. 1041

EXPERIENTIAL SERMON

"Have you had the Conversation?"

- Monte & Patt

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Be Thou My Vision"

- Blue Hymnal #526

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING CALL AND RESPONSE

Leader: God is good!

People: All the time!

Leader: And all the time!

People: God is good!

EXHORTATION & BENEDICTION

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"La paz de Dios"

(Spanish)

We pass the peace weekly using languages native to the cultures of our church community as an audible sign of the Dominion of God working for the healing transformation of the world

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

November Birthdays

3 Nenna Okereke	15 Pete Feltman
5 Harry Hussian (Jr.)	16 Ruth Ann Friedland
11 Al Hussian	16 Elodie McClain
13 Elaine Price	19 Radman Beatty

UPCOMING EVENTS

CAPC CHOIR | Wed 6-7pm and Sun at 11:50am. Talk to Pete!

Friday Night Meal | Friday 6-7pm. Talk to Ellen Brylawski to help: ellenbry@comcast.net

The Vocabulary of Faith Bible Study | Sunday 9:30-10:15a

Celtic Prayer Mid Week Small Group | Wednesday 7-8:30pm, meets near CAL campus | Contact Marda @ 540.7173

TONIGHT @ 6:00pm- Vigil for Peace & Courage Join local Oaklanders in standing with latino immigrant brothers and sisters at a peaceful vigil on Sunday, November 13th at 6pm Primera Iglesia Presbiteriana Hispana de Oakland 1941 High St, Oakland, CA 94601. The vigil is intended to involve children. Lasting 30 minutes. Teach empathy to your children (and adults) by collecting and donating as you arrive needed ESL class supplies (pencils, lined paper, dry erase markers, bags of coffee) to empower the work of PIPH with recently arrived immigrants. *Flyers in the entry today.*

RCPC Town Hall in partnership with CAPC Oakland on the issue of Homelessness in Oakland. Thursday, November 17th at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary.

Memorial Service for Rev. Ben Weir | Saturday, November 19th at 2:00pm at First Presbyterian Church, Oakland.

Youth Group | Sunday, Nov 20th 5-7pm For middle and high schoolers.

Book Club : Tuesday, Nov 22nd 12-1pm. We're discussing America's Original Sin: Racism, White Privilege, and the Bridge to a New America by Jim Wallis. Bring a sack lunch.

Help us Decorating for Advent & Christmas. Tuesday, November 22nd 8am-12pm.

Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner : Thanksgiving Day 11am-1pm. We're gearing up to host this annual event, possibly our most visible community action during the year. We need your help to represent our church community, building relational bridges the day of and during prep times. You also can give financially to make the meal possible. More info online at www.capcoakland.org/thanksgiving-meal

Thank you to Leadership today:

Ushers: Louise Hirschman, Albert Hussian
Liturgist: Patt Schroeder
Fellowship: Anne Marie Adams; Sharon Nelson
Godly Play: Joy Barnes (ST), Emma Fleming (DK)
Musicians: Dave Eagle, Swen Hendrickson, Roger Kim & Pete Feltman

Leadership for next week, 11/20/16:

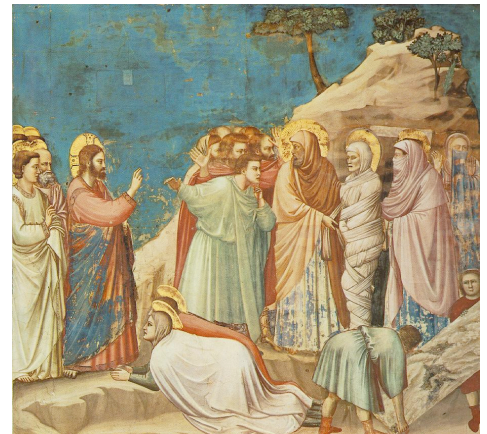
Ushers: Fredora Darmstadt, Jeff Trowbridge
Liturgist:
Fellowship: Bob & Ellen Brylawski
Godly Play: Linda Davis (ST), Anne Marie Adams (DK)

The Book of John tells the story of the person, teaching and life-changing life of Jesus of Nazareth. This gospel is probably the latest written, and thus involves a greater amount of theological reflection upon the story and history intended to help the emerging Church wrestle with what it meant to follow Jesus in their culture and context.

The story of Lazarus is unique to John. It's a story of resurrection which challenges our own convictions about life and death, and our often limited notions of life-after death (resurrection), or even life as we die. Today's we're structuring our worship and sermon time around the goals of the Conversation Project: a national association working to empower discussions around end-of-life discussions. This this national week in which folks and communities of faith around our country are invited to lift up this crucial, and way too often unspoken about issues, curating conversations and the skills required to have the conversation with others.

Talking about dying isn't easy, but it's vitally important. 90% of people say that talking with their loved ones about end of life care is important. Yet only 27% have actually done so. You can learn more about the conversation and find concrete tools on our website at www.capcoakland.org/the-conversation-project as well as at the official Conversation Project website : www.theconversationproject.org

In hearing the story of Lazarus we focus on him rising from the dead. Yet when you look closer there is are multiple conversations in the text: regret that Lazarus, the pain of being with the dying, the uncertainty of life, what it means to be a person of faith and live in, through and even after death. In this famous representation of the story done by the Italian artist Giotto di Bondone you can glimpse the multiple conversations, concerns and convictions unfolding. The story ends with Jesus telling those present to unbind Lazarus, to free him to truly live. What does it mean for us to be fully alive, knowing that we all must die, believing in the resurrection and yet invited to be fully present while we live.



Questions for the Practice of Examen & Contemplation

As you think of the story of Lazarus, what do you think happened next for him? How do you live as someone who has died and come back to life? How would you live if it was you? How is that different than how you're already living?

The Doctrine of Sin tells us that we are bound. We are bound by our own stuff, our desire to be like God, to be in God's place. How are you bound to the ways in which you live life in fear of death? How does the fear of death, or maybe the hope of resurrection inform your daily life?...does it free you to be fully alive?; does it serve as an excuse for not fully living?

“Canticle of the Turning”

Gary Daigle, Rory Cooney & Theresa Donohoo

1. My soul cries out with a joyful shout
that the God of my heart is great
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things
that you bring to the ones who wait
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight
and my weakness you did not spurn
So from east to west shall my name be blessed,
could the world be about to turn

chorus

My heart shall sing of the day you bring
Let the fires of your justice burn
Wipe away all tears For the dawn draws near
And the world is about to turn

2. Though I am small, my God,
my all You work great things in me
And Your mercy will last from the depths
of the past to the end of the age to be
Your very name puts the proud to shame
and to those who would for you yearn
You will show Your might, put the strong to flight
for the world is about to turn

chorus

3. From the halls of power to the fortress tower
not a stone will be left unstone
Let the king beware for your justice tears
every tyrant from his throne
The hungry poor shall weep no more
for the food they can never earn
There are tables spread, every mouth be fed
for the world is about to turn

chorus

4. Though the nations rage from age to age
we remember who holds us fast
God's mercy must deliver us
from the conqueror's crushing grasp
This saving word that our forebears heard
is a promise which holds us bound
Til the spear and rod can be crushed by God
who is turning the world around

“There Is A Redeemer”

Keith Green

There is a redeemer
Jesus God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One

Jesus my redeemer
Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah
Oh for sinners slain

(chorus)

Thank you Oh my Father
For giving us your Son
and leaving your spirit till
The work on earth is done

When I stand in glory
I will see His face
There I'll serve my King forever
In that Holy place

“Our Darkness”

Author: Taizé Community, Jacques Berthier

Our darkness is never darkness in your sight
the deepest night is clear as the daylight.

“My Life Is In You, Lord”

Author: Don Moen

My life is in You, Lord,
My strength is in You, Lord
My hope is in You, Lord
In You, it's in You. (Repeat)

I will praise You with all of my heart.
I will praise You with all of my hope.
With all of my life, and all of my strength.
All of my hope is in You.

“Be Thou My Vision”

Translator: Mary E. Byrne (1905)

Versifier: Eleanor Hull (1912, alt.)

Glory to God (new hymnal) #449

1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.

3 Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou, mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

4 High King of Heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.