

# OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 14, 2018

28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:30 a.m.

## TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

*As you arrive in the sanctuary, please quiet and prepare yourself for worship. Relax your body; quiet the inner dialogue of your mind; be open and receptive to God's Spirit in our midst.*

\*those who are comfortable, please stand

## GATHERING

PRELUDE

*Call To Worship*

Bonavia-Hunt

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Inspired by Psalm 90:12-14*

One: O God, we seek your wisdom, your comfort, and your encouragement-

**Many: Satisfy us this morning with your steadfast love.**

One: Lord Jesus, we look to your teachings, your example, your work-

**Many: Satisfy us this morning with your steadfast love.**

One: Spirit Divine, we await your urging, your presence, your pull-

**Many: Satisfy us this morning with your steadfast love.**

One: Notice us, Triune God! See our pain, hear our cries, feel our reaching, understand our asking, and satisfy us this morning with your presence and love,

**Many: so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.**

One: Come, O friends, and let us worship our Lord.

\*OPENING HYMN

*Great God of Every Blessing*

No. 694

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Unison: God of grace and love, we offer you our confession. Lord, take and hold our sin, our jealousy, our greed, and our selfishness. Lord, take and hold the grudges to which we've been clinging, the relationships which we've been neglecting, and the systems of hurt and oppression from which we've been benefitting. Lord, take and hold all the words, actions, and moments we wish we could take back. Lord, take and hold the hurts we've caused you and our neighbors. Lord, take and hold our sincere confessions, our real desire to do better, and our hope in your power to transform us. Through your grace, your compassion, and your gentle touch, clean these hearts, forgive these souls, and grant us peace in your steadfast love, always. AMEN.**

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

**RESPONSE OF PRAISE** (*Cantor sings responses through first, followed by the congregation*)

"All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your heart and with us sing.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!" (repeat)

\*SHARING THE PEACE

(Share the peace of Christ as you feel led, with a wave, a smile, a kind word, or a handshake.)

## THE WORD

TIME FOR GROWING DISCIPLES

(At the conclusion of the Time for Growing Disciples, children ages birth to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade may stay in worship or go to the nursery.)

ANTHEM

*There Is a Redeemer*  
women's ensemble

arr. Brown

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 90  
(see insert)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:17-31  
(see insert)

SERMON

The Rev. Erin Counihan

MEDITATION IN MUSIC

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*HYMN

*Spirit, Open My Heart*

No. 692

**OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

*(Please sign the Friendship Register found at the end of the pew. Complete information, including your email, and pass pad along to those worshipping with you. )*

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Offertory** *Total Praise* Smallwood

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 607

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.*

**CONGREGATIONAL JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER (unison)**

**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.**

**LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY**

*(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God’s call for faithfulness, and your invitation to join in!)*

**SENDING**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *O Word of God Incarnate* No. 459

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *Glory and Praise to Our God* Schutte

*Oak Hill Presbyterian Church*



**Sunday, October 14, 2018**

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**Support Presbyterian campus ministry in St. Louis with homemade Sunday dinner!**

UKirk (a Presbyterian college ministry gathering students from Wash U, SLU and beyond) gathers on Sunday evenings at Trinity Presbyterian Church- 6800 Washington Ave - for dinner, fellowship, and worship. (We gather to be fed in body and spirit!) Dinner begins around 7:15 (once students have arrived) and worship begins around 8 p.m.

Please prepare a meal for 15 students- food can be delivered anytime between 5 and 7 p.m. (Or during the week before, by arrangement with Pastor Miriam - [ukirkstl@gmail.com](mailto:ukirkstl@gmail.com).)

We do have students who are vegetarian/vegan, so please consider dishes that would flexibly fit those needs. (Such as: having meat and dairy items on the side, as optional add-ins.)

Fruits and desserts are always appreciated! (Dishware and drinks are on us.)

We have access to Trinity Presbyterian's kitchen- if you would like to prepare the meal or reheat the meal in that space, please let Pastor Miriam know.

If you'd like to join us for dinner from 7-8, you'd be more than welcome!

Currently, meals are needed for the following dates: 12/2, 12/9, 1/20, 1/27, 2/3, 2/24, 3/3, 3/24, and 3/31.

Please contact Pastor Miriam directly at [ukirkstl@gmail.com](mailto:ukirkstl@gmail.com) if you are interested in hosting a meal. Thanks!



**PRESBYTERIAN  
YOUTH TRIENNIUM 2019**  
July 16-20, 2019  
Purdue University

**Save the Date!** Presbyterian Youth Triennium will be next summer, July 16-20, at Purdue University, IN. The presbytery will be sending a whole team of youth from churches all over our region to this gathering for high school age youth from the Presbyterian Church (USA) and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church (this includes students entering 9th grade through graduated 12th grade)! You can learn more about the event at [www.presbyterianyouthtriennium.org](http://www.presbyterianyouthtriennium.org) or by reaching out to the Rev. Melanie Smith (Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults at Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Church, and the presbytery's Triennium lead contact) at [msmith@laudechapel.org](mailto:msmith@laudechapel.org).

Oak Hill Presbyterian Church  
Rev. Erin Counihan, Pastor  
Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers, Parish Associate  
Mrs. Susan Brown, Minister of Music  
Ms. Annie Girresch, Director, AMEN St. Louis  
Ms. Carole Adams, Secretary  
Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 12:00 noon in writing.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK		
October 14, 2018		

Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for All Ages
	10:30 a.m.	Service of Worship
	Following Worship	Time of Fellowship (and snacks)
Monday	7:45 – 8:00 a.m.	Prayer Pause OAK HILL NEWS DEADLINE
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	Book Club at the St. Louis Bread Company, I55 and Loughborough
	7:00 p.m.	SSPCU Meeting at Oak Hill in the Faith and Fellowship Room
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	La Leche League in the Nursery
	11:00 a.m.	Bible Study in the Faith and Fellowship Room
	6:30 p.m.	Tower Grove South Neighborhood Association Meeting in the Large Assembly Room
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Open Gym Night

We welcome you to worship at Oak Hill. We greet everyone in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and celebrate the gift of God's incarnate love through our worship and service.

We hope you will stay and join us for a time of fellowship after worship today. We'll gather downstairs for coffee and snacks!

For more information about what's happening at Oak Hill, don't forget to check out our website at [www.oakhillpcusa.org](http://www.oakhillpcusa.org).

Today's Liturgist is **Kim Smith**. Greeters are **Dena Roper and Avery Smith**. Ushers are **Donna Cook, Jeff Dahl, Toby Eckert, and Rich Wiethop**. Nursery Caregivers are **Jillian Embry and Daniel Graber**. The **Evangelism and Membership Committee** is hosting the time of fellowship in October.

As a church family, we shall be praying this morning and all week for the following members and friends. You may wish to contact them to indicate your interest and ask if they have any special prayer concerns.

Richard Adams  
Paul, Ellis, and Nayeli Bordeaux and Sophie Kohn  
Lisa and Mark Thompson

**Forms for submitting nominees to serve as elders, to serve on the 2019 Nominating Committee, and to serve on the 2019 Personnel Committee may be found in the back of the sanctuary. You may place them in the offering plate or give to Pastor Erin.**

**OAK HILL NEWS – Articles for the November newsletter are due, in writing, by Monday, October 15, 2018.**

**Book club will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16, at the St. Louis Bread Co.,** Loughborough Avenue and Interstate 55. We will discuss *"The Danish Girl"* by David Ebershoff. This is the third Tuesday of the month, not the regular second Tuesday date. Please read the book and join us. We are always looking for new members.

**You are invited to join members of other South Side Presbyterians Churches on Tuesday, October 16, at 7 p.m.** in the Faith and Fellowship Room to learn about their activities and plans.

**Open gym night is coming up on Friday, October 19, at 6:30 p.m.** This is for middle and high schoolers. Please consider volunteering. We have snacks and fun times playing sports, games and sometimes there's a mean game of Uno going on! Not to mention crafts, coloring and puzzles plus snacks! There is a volunteer signup in the Large Assembly Room. Please contact Dena with any questions.

**Please plan to join in a visit to our extended members on Sunday, October 21, after worship.** There is a sign-up sheet available on the refreshment table outside the kitchen. We are planning visits this year before the holiday rush. **If you can't make the 21st, we'll have a second chance on October 28.**

**FREE BOOKS - In giving our library an update, we are getting rid of some books of fiction.** They will be in boxes in the Large Assembly Room for about a month. Please feel to take what books you like. The remaining books will be donated to charity.

**You're invited to the Band Together Masquerade Annual Halloween Concert on Saturday, October 20, at 8 p.m.** at the 560 Music Center in the U City Loop.

**Dear Oak Hill Friends,**

**Last year's Trivia Night was a massive success, raising critical funds to maintain and update the house, expand our resource library and promote our program to a wider audience.** We hope to do the same this year on Friday, October 26. Trivia at 7 p.m., doors open at 6! It's getting closer every week, so don't delay in recruiting your crew and reserving your table for the night. Make sure to email [amenstlouis@gmail.com](mailto:amenstlouis@gmail.com) to let us know you're coming!

Our silent auction is going to be amazing this year, already having received over 15 donations of tickets and gift certificates to local shows and restaurants. But we could still use some additional items! Do you have any special skills or services to offer? If so, please get in touch with Annie at [amenstlouis@gmail.com](mailto:amenstlouis@gmail.com) to set up a donation. We are beyond grateful for anything you are able to contribute!

Lastly, we are in need of several volunteers to help with various tasks the night of the fundraiser. Please see Donna Cook or Dena Roper to sign up after service today! We are so grateful for the support of the congregation in growing important ministry!

In Jesus and Justice,

AMEN St. Louis



**HALLOWEEN IS COMING!**

Please bring individually wrapped candy to put in the Halloween treat bags for our neighborhood children. Collection boxes are available in the Large Assembly Room and the church office. Please plan to join us after church on Sunday, October 28, to help bag up treats. We would love to have you join the fun on Halloween evening starting at 5:30 p.m. on the front steps of the church.

**Circle 3 Presbyterian Women** have been busy making Christmas stockings and Care Bears which they plan to donate to Isaiah 58 Ministries. If you would like to help fill the stockings, they are asking for donations of small dolls, trucks, cars, Slinky toys, or any small item that would fit in the stocking. They will be accepting donations up to the end of October. Please give them to Jan Stanford or Carole Adams, or leave in the office.

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 90

<sup>1</sup>Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

<sup>2</sup>Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

<sup>3</sup>You turn us back to dust, and say, “Turn back, you mortals.”

<sup>4</sup>For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.

<sup>5</sup>You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning;

<sup>6</sup>in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

<sup>7</sup>For we are consumed by your anger; by your wrath we are overwhelmed.

<sup>8</sup>You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your countenance.

<sup>9</sup>For all our days pass away under your wrath; our years come to an end like a sigh.

<sup>10</sup>The days of our life are seventy years, or perhaps eighty, if we are strong; even then their span is only toil and trouble; they are soon gone, and we fly away.

<sup>11</sup>Who considers the power of your anger? Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.

<sup>12</sup>So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

<sup>13</sup>Turn, O LORD! How long? Have compassion on your servants!

<sup>14</sup>Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

<sup>15</sup>Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil.

<sup>16</sup>Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

<sup>17</sup>Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands— O prosper the work of our hands!

*Leader: This is the Word of the LORD;*

*People: thanks be to God!*



## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:17-31

<sup>17</sup>As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>18</sup>Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. <sup>19</sup>You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” <sup>20</sup>He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” <sup>21</sup>Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” <sup>22</sup>When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

<sup>23</sup>Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” <sup>24</sup>And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! <sup>25</sup>It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” <sup>26</sup>They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” <sup>27</sup>Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

<sup>28</sup>Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” <sup>29</sup>Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, <sup>30</sup>who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. <sup>31</sup>But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

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