

OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 4, 2108

31st 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

Come, Holy Spirit, God and Lord

Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Adapted from Psalm 146

One: Praise the Lord!

Many: **Praise the Lord, O my soul!**

One: I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

Many: **I will sing praises to my God all my life long.**

One: I will put my trust in the Lord.

Many: **I will find my help in the Lord.**

One: I will hope in the one who keeps faith forever.

Many: **I will hope in the one who feeds, fills, and knows us.**

One: I will hope in the one who rains down justice and love.

Many: **I will hope in the one who frees the prisoners.**

One: I will hope in the one who watches over strangers.

Many: **I will hope in the one who protects the outcasts.**

One: I will hope in the one who loves beyond the end.

Many: **I will hope in the one who holds hope for us.**

One: Praise the Lord!

Many: **Praise the Lord, O my soul!**

*OPENING HYMN

O Day of Rest and Gladness

No. 393

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Adapted from "Feasting on the Word"

Holy God, giver of all good things, we have failed to live in thanksgiving—for Earth, for our families, for neighbors, and for strangers; for the air we breathe, the water we drink, and the soil that grows our food. Forgive us for sins against you, your creation, and our neighbors. Teach us to love your way of grace, truth, and love. Teach us to listen, pray, and act. Help us to witness and serve forever in your name, through Jesus Christ, AMEN.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

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

"Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;

With thanksgiving I'll be a living sanctuary for you." (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 3rd grade may stay in worship or go to the nursery.)

ANTHEM

For Love Shall Be Our Song

Wagner

Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

(see insert)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 12:28-34

(see insert)

SERMON

Annie Girresch

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** *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* No. 727

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 worshiping with you.)

***Prayer of Dedication**

Offertory *To God Be the Glory* Crouch

***Doxology** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* No. 582

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (see insert)

A CELEBRATION OF SAINTS

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 Love That Will Not Let Me Go* (see insert)

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *The Lord Is King!* Condor

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THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION TO THE TABLE

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Leader continues...)

SANCTUS
No. 556
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's name.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's name.
Hosanna in the highest.

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION

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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING AND RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

All who seek Jesus are welcome at the table he has prepared. There is no denominational or membership requirement to receive God's gift of life. At Oak Hill, we pass plates of bread to one another saying, "This is the body of Christ, broken for you." You are invited to partake of the bread when you receive it. Then we pass the cups to one another saying, "This is the blood of Christ, shed for you." We wait until everyone has been served, then we all partake of the cup together. There is gluten-free bread in the small cups on each plate.

Communion Meditation

John Holt, piano

Brian Beckmann and Paul Bordeaux, guitar

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Unison: God of glory, with this meal, our prayers, and your song, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ's resurrection, and send us out to journey into this messy world, full of your love, your justice, your hope, and your joy. Amen

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

November 4 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	Fellowship Luncheon in the Large Assembly Room
Monday	7:45 – 8:00 a.m.	Prayer Pause
Tuesday	9:45 – 11:45 a.m.	MOMS Club of St. Louis in the Nursery
	6:30 - 8:30 p.m.	Foosball & Snacks @ the S.L.S. Building, 3227 Morgan Ford
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Bible Study in the Faith and Fellowship Room
	5:00 p.m.	Worship and Christian Education Committee in the Faith and Fellowship Room
	6:30 p.m.	Evangelism and Membership Committee in the Faith and Fellowship Room
	7:30 p.m.	Touchy Topics Book and Discussion Group at Hartford Coffee
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Arts and Crafts Club in the Theleos Room
Sunday	After Worship	Congregational Meeting in the Large Assembly Room

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 our fellowship luncheon after worship today.

For more information about what's happening at Oak Hill, don't forget to check out our website at www.oakhillpcusa.org.

Today's Worship Leaders are **Annie Girresch and Toby Eckert**. Greeters are **Lucie Crittenden and Karl Kelley**. Communion Servers are **Joe Bradshaw, Donna Cook, Brent Crittenden, and Toby Eckert**. Ushers are **Joe Bradshaw, Bob Ream, Kim Smith, and Deb Wiethop**. Nursery Caregivers are **Eva Bischoff and Heather Macarthur**. The **Stewardship and Property Committee** is hosting the time of fellowship in November

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.

Peggy and Wendy Barrow
Bev Brickey
Maureen and Ricardo Johanning

If you have a specific prayer request to share with the congregation, please fill out the yellow prayer request form in the pew and place it in the offering plate. For prayers and congregational support during the week, call Pastor Erin or the church office.

The Stewardship and Property Committee is hosting the November fellowship luncheon today following worship in the Large Assembly Room. Everyone is welcome!

Foosball is on Tuesday, November 6, at 6:30 p.m. It's a fun night of community with our neighborhood kids @ the S.L.S. Building, 3227 Morgan Ford. Please join us for pizza, snacks and fun! Please contact Dena Roper with any questions.

The Touchy Topics Book and Discussion Group will be discussing "Not that Bad: Dispatches from Rape Culture" Ed. by Roxanne Gray on Wednesday, November 7, at 7:30 p.m. at Hartford Coffee. All are welcome to join the conversation!

Please join us for Craft Night on Friday, November 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Theleios Classroom, for a fun evening of crafting! It will be a "bring your own" project evening. It's a good time to work on those Christmas cards and winter projects. Please bring a snack to share! Please let Dena know if you have any questions.

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to all who came out and supported and/or volunteered at our Second Annual Trick Or Trivia Night to benefit AMEN St. Louis. We raised more than \$2700 for this exciting ministry and a spooky good time was had by all! Thanks!

UKIRK Open House: Tonight!

UKirk, a Presbyterian Ministry for College Students in St. Louis is holding an Open House tonight to share a bit of their community with you. Oak Hill supports UKirk with generous contributions, and sometimes with meals, too! Tonight, you're invited to join UKirk for dinner and a very casual worship at Trinity Presbyterian Church in UCity from 7 to 9 p.m.

Congregational Meeting – Sunday, November 11

A Congregational Meeting will be held next Sunday, November 11, following worship, to approve the Pastor's Terms of Call for 2019, to present the 2019 Asking Budget, and to receive a 2018 Nominating Committee Report.

A quorum for a congregational meeting at Oak Hill consists of the Moderator, Secretary and 20 percent [22 active members] of eligible voters. If we do not have a quorum, the meeting will have to be rescheduled. Therefore, it is of utmost importance that all members of Oak Hill attend the meeting. Coffee and donuts will be served.

Meeting Our Neighbors, an invitation from the Archdiocese office of Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs

Join us for a tour of the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis and the opportunity to witness a Catholic Mass (prayer service). Sunday, November 11, @ 3:30 p.m., Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, 4431 Lindell Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63108. You may contact them at 314-792-7177 or jamescomninellis@archstl.org.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

6Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the ordinances—that the LORD your God charged me to teach you to observe in the land that you are about to cross into and occupy, ²so that you and your children and your children’s children, may fear the LORD your God all the days of your life, and keep all his decrees and his commandments that I am commanding you, so that your days may be long. ³Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe them diligently, so that it may go well with you, and so that you may multiply greatly in a land flowing with milk and honey, as the LORD, the God of your ancestors, has promised you.

⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. ⁶Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. ⁷Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. ⁸Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, ⁹and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Leader: This is the Word of the LORD;

People: thanks be to God!

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Mark 12:28-34

28 One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, ‘Which commandment is the first of all?’ ²⁹Jesus answered, ‘The first is, “Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.”’ ³¹The second is this, “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” There is no other commandment greater than these.’ ³²Then the scribe said to him, ‘You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that “he is one, and besides him there is no other”; ³³and “to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength”, and “to love one’s neighbour as oneself”,—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.’ ³⁴When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ After that no one dared to ask him any question.

Leader: This is the Word of the LORD;

People: thanks be to God!