

# OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 21, 2019

Resurrection of the Lord/Easter

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

### OPENING WORDS

#### PRELUDE

*Rejoice, Rejoice, All People on Earth*

Andrews

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Voice 1: Friends, God is creating, and recreating, and God is always up to something.

Voice 2: On this Easter morning, we celebrate God's presence, God's promise, and God's love.

*Children: Thank you, God! We love you, God!*

**All: Come, let us rejoice!**

Voice 1: Come, let us sing!

Voice 2: Come, let us offer praises!

*Children: Come, let us shout!*

**All: Come, let us worship the Lord!**

#### \*OPENING HYMN

*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

No. 232

### LITANY FOR EASTER

One: This is the day that the Lord has made,

**Many: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

One: This is the community that God has created us to be,

**Many: Let us with love hold, share, know, and honor.**

One: This is the city where God has placed us,

**Many: Let us grow together with hope and hard work.**

One: This is the time which God has entrusted to us,

**Many: Let us be brave, faithful, and wise.**

One: This is the Good News we have received,

**Many: That Christ our Lord is risen indeed!**

One: This is the Good News we've been given to share,

**Many: That Christ our Lord is risen indeed!**

*(continued)*

### LITANY FOR EASTER (cont'd)

One: This is the good news that can and does and will change lives and communities,

**Many: That Christ our Lord is risen indeed!**

One: This is the day, this is the time, this is the story, that gives us hope,

**Many: To believe beyond what we understand,**

One: To serve and share beyond what is easy,

**Many: To love beyond what is safe,**

One: To hope beyond our pain,

**Many: To trust even when we are weary,**

One: To keep going, even when we've been squashed down.

**Many: To keep seeking, even when we have doubts,**

One: To gather together, even when it seems silly.

**Many: To learn, even when we think we already know.**

One: Because God so loved the world.

**Many: Because God calls us beloved.**

One: Because God's forgiveness is real.

**Many: Because God's love is radical.**

One: Because God's welcome is wide.

**Many: Because God's truth is precious.**

One: Because God's love endures.

**Many: Because this really is the day the Lord has made**

One: Christ the Lord is Risen today, Alleluia!

**Many: Christ the Lord is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! Amen!**

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

“Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;

Alleluia, alleluia, sing praise to His name.” (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

*The Risen Christ*

Getty

Chancel Choir

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Isaiah 65:17-25  
(see insert)

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 24:1-12  
(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**

*Because You Live, O Christ*

No. 249

**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. )*

**Moment for Mission – One Great Hour of Sharing**

Brian Heuckroth

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Offertory**

*I Know That My Redeemer Liveth*

Mandel

**\*Doxology**

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

No. 582

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER**

(see insert)

**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**

*Raise a Song of Gladness*

No. 155

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name*

arr. Benjamin

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# Oak Hill Presbyterian Church

## Easter



**April 21, 2019**

## 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 Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**No. 556 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. (There is a gluten free option on each tray.) 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.*

#### Communion Meditation

John Holt, piano

Brian Beckmann and Paul Bordeaux, guitar

#### PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

**Unison: God who surprises, God who rises, God who always shows up, thank you for your presence, love, and care. Help us to share all you have given, to serve with passion, to follow with courage, to forgive with joy, and shout to the world all about your radical love. 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

April 21, 2019

Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Choir Rehearsal
	10:30 a.m.	Service of Worship
	Following Worship	Time of Fellowship (and snacks)
Monday	7:45 – 8:00 a.m.	Prayer Pause
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Bible Study in the Faith and Fellowship Room
	6:30 p.m.	Mission Committee in the Faith and Fellowship Room
	7:30 p.m.	Stewardship and Property Committee Meeting in the Theleos Room
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study Class in the Theleos 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 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).

Leading worship today are **Rev. Erin Counihan, Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers, Rev. Jillian Embrey, Lucie Crittenden, and Avery Smith.** Communion Servers are **Scott Stanford, Anne Stoltz, Deb Wiethop, and Richard Wiethop.** Greeters are **Lucie and Millie Crittenden.** Ushers are **Joe Bradshaw, Jeff Dahl, Mary LaTragna, and Kim Smith.** There is no nursery today. **The Mission Committee** is hosting the time of fellowship in April.

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.

Paul, Ellis, and Nayeli Bordeaux, and Sophie Kohn  
Doris Finley and Kathon Moore  
Mary and Bob Schlemeier

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.



We will be collecting the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering today. One Great Hour of Sharing is a special giving program through the PCUSA. A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed. It supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Self-Development of People, and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. Extra offering envelopes are located in the back of the sanctuary.

**Thanks to Lucie Crittenden for creating all of our Holy Week bulletin artwork.**

**Pastor Erin will be out of the office April 25 to April 28. If you are in need of pastoral care during this period, please contact the Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers.**

**Thank you to all who came to the Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast!** We raised almost \$300 for our mission trip this summer to The Center in Baltimore!

**Inquirers and New Members Lunch:** On May 5<sup>th</sup>, after worship, at our regular Potluck Luncheon, we'll have a special table set up for anyone interested in learning about membership here at Oak Hill. If you have questions about being a Presbyterian, what membership entails, the very difficult written test all members have to pass (this is a joke), how our church is governed, or, really anything else, come and sit with us! Pastor Erin and a few elders (see, we'll even tell you what it means to be an elder) will lead a casual conversation and answer any questions.

### **Micah 6:8 Camp for Middle Schoolers - June 17-21 2019, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

AMEN St. Louis and Oak Hill Presbyterian Church are thrilled to offer our first ever "Micah 6:8 Camp" for middle schoolers from the St. Louis metropolitan area. This one-of-a-kind day camp will offer your kiddos a chance to learn more about the Bible and their faith, to do service projects for community organizations, and to learn about social justice and becoming an agent for change.

From 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. each day, campers will complete service projects at local non-profit organizations, explore their faith formation, and hear from diverse leaders in the community about standing up for social justice. And, of course, we'll have lots of fun, too!

Cost is sliding scale, \$75-\$175. Lunch, snacks and transportation to and from service sites are included each day. Age range includes rising 6<sup>th</sup> to rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Go to [www.amenstlouis.org](http://www.amenstlouis.org) for more information.

**Our Sunday School classes for all ages will resume next week.** The Children's Sunday School class will continue their curriculum from Feasting on the Word. The Adult Sunday School class will have a guest teacher, one of the candidates for the position of UKirk Pastor, so we will take a pause in our current course. Then, on Sunday, May 5, we'll resume our study on what the Bible really says on LGBTQ issues. All Sunday School classes will finish up for the year by Memorial Day.

### **FIRE SHUT UP IN MY BONES**

The Presbytery of Giddings Lovejoy Dismantling Racism & Privilege Team Presents World premiere of *Fire Shut Up in My Bones*, Sunday, April 28, 2019 – 9:30 a.m. This adult education event will be held at Webster Groves Presbyterian Church, presented by Diane McCullough. This presentation is commissioned by Opera Theatre of St. Louis in partnership with Jazz St. Louis. Based on the memoir by Charles Blow; Libretto by Kasi Lemmons; Terence Blanchard, composer.



*The beautiful Easter plants gracing the chancel area  
are provided by the following members and friends  
of Oak Hill Church:*

**Carole Adams** (two plants), in honor of my sister Bonnie Glasscock, and in memory of my brother-in-law Roy Glasscock

**Peggy Barrow** (two plants), in memory of Allan and John Barrow

**Susan Brown** (two plants), in memory of her mother, Velna C. Brown, and her grandmother, May Cooper

**Erin Counihan and Tegan Counihan Ratliff** (two plants), in honor Tegan's grandparents

**Ann and Branson Lawrence** (three plants), in honor of their granddaughters, Adria, Magnolia, and Rosemary

**Christine and Kim Marx and Ellie Seitz** (four plants), in honor of Jack Seitz, and in memory of Mary Merchant

**Sheryl and Bob Ream**, in memory of their grandparents

**Steve, Kelsi, Matt, and Carolyn Ream**, in honor of their grandparents, Jan and Don Stanford and Rita and Hal Ream

**Janet and Don Stanford** (two plants), in memory of Janet's parents, Irma and Walter Waser, and in memory of Don's parents, Ruth and Lowell Stanford

**Anne and Steve Stoltz** (three plants), in honor of their grandchildren, Emily, Elizabeth, and Oliver

**Deb and Rich Wiethop**, in memory of their parents, Jancie and Richard Wiethop

**Christine and Will Woodward** (two plants), in honor of Christine's dad, Fred Stallis, and Will's dad, Leon Woodward

**(Please take your plant[s] home after worship today.**

**Please take the plant[s] with your name. Or take one of the ones with Pastor Erin's name because we all know she can't keep plants alive.)**

## FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

<sup>17</sup>For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. <sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD—and their descendants as well. <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

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

*People: thanks be to God!*



## SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:1-12

<sup>24</sup>But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup>While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup>The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. <sup>6</sup>Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." <sup>8</sup>Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup>and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup>But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup>But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

*People: thanks be to God!*

