

# OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 4, 2019

18<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

*Light Divine*

Mendelssohn

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 107)

One: O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good;

**All: For God's steadfast love endures forever.**

One: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, those he redeemed from trouble.

**All: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wonderful works to humankind.**

One: For he satisfies the thirsty, and the hungry he fills with good things.

**All: Let us worship God!**

\*OPENING HYMN

*Now Thank We All Our God*

No. 643

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Call to Confession

**Unison: Almighty God, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.**

Silent Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

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

“God’s vision shall be our calling. God’s purpose guiding as we serve.

God’s spirit bringing peace in the world, through one body,  
through one faith, through one love.” (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

*Speak, O Lord*

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John Holt, soloist

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Hosea 11:1-11

(see insert)

### SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 12:13-21

(see insert)

### SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

### MEDITATION IN MUSIC

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison)

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**\*HYMN** *Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts* No. 494

**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** *Sing of the Lord's Goodness* Sands

**\*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.*

**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** *God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending* No. 716

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** *Great Is Thy Name* Marks

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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 praying...)

**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.**

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**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

Instructions for Communion by Intinction

All are invited and welcome. Please come forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisles. Take a hearty piece of the common loaf and dip it into the cup to consume the elements together. A gluten-free option is available upon request.

#### Communion Meditation

John Holt, piano

Brian Beckmann and Paul Bordeaux, guitar

### PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

**Unison: Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Oak Hill Presbyterian Church

Rev. Erin Counihan, Pastor

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers, Parish Associate

Ms. 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

August 4, 2019

Sunday	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 o 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	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

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.

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).

We are most grateful to **Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers, our Parish Associate**, for his worship leadership today. We give thanks to God for Alan and his wonderful ministry among us!

Today's Liturgist is **the Rev. Jillian Embrey**. Greeters are **Donna Cook and Scott Stanford**. Communion Servers are **the Rev. Jillian Embrey, Wendy Barrow and Brian Heuckroth**. Ushers are **Brent Crittenden, Mary LaTragna, Valery Welch, and Rich Wiethop**. There is no Nursery Duty today. **The Stewardship and Property Committee** is hosting the time of fellowship in August.

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.

Susan Brown and Bill Bandy  
Mary LaTragna  
Lisa and Mark Thompson

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.

**Pastor Erin is on vacation until August 13.** If you are in need of pastoral care during this period, please contact the Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers, our Parish Associate, or the office.



**The Stewardship and Property Committee is hosting the Sunday Fellowship Luncheon today following worship.** It is a true potluck. All are welcome!

**Everyone is invited for food, fun, foosball and fellowship!** Bring a dish, appetizer or dessert to share with the crowd! (Fast food goodies are, yes, good!) This **Tuesday night, August 6, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.** at Great American Human Foosball, 3227 Morgan Ford. There is no mission group staying at the AMEN House this Tuesday evening, but we will be “foosing” with our neighbors. Everyone is invited. **Please Note: This will be the last Tuesday night foosball until September.**

**The Touchy Topics Book and Discussion Group** will be discussing “*There, There*” by Tommy Orange, on Wednesday, August 7, at 7:30 p.m. at Hartford Coffee. All are welcome to join the conversation!

**Please join us for Craft Night on Friday, August 9, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Theleos Classroom, for a fun evening of crafting! It will be a “bring your own project” evening. Please bring a snack to share! Please let Dena Roper know if you have any questions.

**Tower Grove South Neighborhood Association Good Neighbor Happy Hour Friday, August 9<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm** at Lulu's Local Eatery (3201 S. Grand). Join us for this agenda-free social event. You might even meet a new neighbor!

### **Back to School and Community Empowerment Festival**

Saint Louis Public Schools and the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis are co-presenting the annual Back to School Community Empowerment Festival on Saturday, August 10, 2019, at Convention Plaza at the America's Center. The Back to School Community Empowerment Festival is free for all city residents. Free school supplies will be given to students while supplies last. A free lunch will be served. Some of the services provided include: Bookbags, Live Entertainment, Barber Services, Health Screenings, Immunizations, Dental and Vision Screenings, Games and Activities, Gifts and Prizes! To volunteer, visit [www.slps.org/ExpoHelp](http://www.slps.org/ExpoHelp).

### **Living #Ferguson: A Storytelling Event – August 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm**

On the eve of the five-year anniversary of Michael Brown's death, St. Louis Public Radio and poet and activist Cheeraz Gorman will present a live storytelling event featuring speakers whose lives changed drastically after Brown, 18, was fatally shot by a police officer in Ferguson. The stories reflect on race, violence and community trauma. This free event will take place at the Greater St. Mark Family Church in north St. Louis County. Doors will open at 6 p.m. and the show will begin at 7 p.m. This event is free and open to the public. No registration required.

### **The Michael Brown Chosen For Change Foundation**

#### **5th Annual Michael Brown Memorial Weekend Events- August 9, 2019**

11:00am | 5th Annual Michael Brown Memorial Services

Location: Michael Brown Memorial, Ferguson, MO 63136

11:55am | International Moment of Silence for 4.5 minutes for Mike Brown, Jr.

1:00-6:00pm | Community Day

Location: Parking Lot at 9421 W. Florissant Rd, Ferguson, MO 63136

1:00-6:00pm | As I See You Exhibit

Location: UL Ferguson Community Empowerment Center 9420 W. Florissant Rd, Ferguson, MO 63136

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Hosea 11:1-11

11When Israel was a child, I loved him, and out of Egypt I called my son.  
2The more I called them, the more they went from me; they kept sacrificing to the Baals, and offering incense to idols. 3Yet it was I who taught Ephraim to walk, I took them up in my arms; but they did not know that I healed them. 4I led them with cords of human kindness, with bands of love. I was to them like those who lift infants to their cheeks. I bent down to them and fed them. 5They shall return to the land of Egypt, and Assyria shall be their king, because they have refused to return to me. 6The sword rages in their cities, it consumes their oracle-priests, and devours because of their schemes. 7My people are bent on turning away from me. To the Most High they call, but he does not raise them up at all.  
8How can I give you up, Ephraim? How can I hand you over, O Israel? How can I make you like Admah? How can I treat you like Zeboiim? My heart recoils within me; my compassion grows warm and tender. 9I will not execute my fierce anger; I will not again destroy Ephraim; for I am God and no mortal, the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath. 10They shall go after the LORD, who roars like a lion; when he roars, his children shall come trembling from the west. 11They shall come trembling like birds from Egypt, and like doves from the land of Assyria; and I will return them to their homes, says the LORD.

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

*People: thanks be to God!*

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 12:13-21

13Someone in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.” 14But he said to him, “Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?” 15And he said to them, “Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.” 16Then he told them a parable: “The land of a rich man produced abundantly. 17And he thought to himself, ‘What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?’ 18Then he said, ‘I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19And I will say to my soul, ‘Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.’ 20But God said to him, ‘You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’ 21So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich toward God.”

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

*People: thanks be to God!*