

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.

CHILDREN

Please come join us.

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.

October 16, 2016

GATHERING SONG "Praise Ye The Lord The Almighty" - Blue Hymnal #482

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF PRAISE "Create In Me A Clean Heart O God" - insert

TIME OF CONFESSION

Silent Prayer followed by Prayer of Forgiveness and Assurance of Pardon

Children are invited to gather at the front of the sanctuary and depart for the Godly Play program at the conclusion of this song.

SONG OF RESPONSE "Jesus Our Divine Companion" - insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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 "Worthy" - insert

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Exodus 32:1-14 & Matthew 5:1-11 - Pew Bible, p. 262, 937

"Golden" **SERMON** - Rev. Monte McClain

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" - Blue Hymnal #372 SONG OF RESPONSE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING CALL AND RESPONSE

Leader: And all the time! Leader: God is good! **People:** All the time! People: God is good!

EXHORTATION & BENEDICTION

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST "Ping An" (Chinese, Mandarin)

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

October Birthdays

5 Emma Fleming 26 Chinyere Okereke 7 Cameron Beatty 28 Emily Hirschman 14 Mike Castner 30 Josh Beatty

Anniversaries

9 Marc & Louise Hirschman10 Ward & Marda Stothers

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 | Sunday 9:30-10:15am.

Today is our e-Waste Fundraiser Drive. We are collecting eWaste to raise funds to help fund camperships.

Join the Worship Matters meeting after worship: 30 minutes to begin talking about creative ideas for November and Advent. In the library at 11:50am.

FACING RACISM :: multi-church discussion Thursdays evenings 7-8:30pm at First Presbyterian Church of Oakland

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

Women's Group | 1st, 2nd & 3rd Saturdays of the month 8:30-10am in the library. Currently discussing Acts of the Apostles.

Youth Group Launch | today! October 16th **5-7:00pm** for Middle & High Schoolers. Pizza dinner, games and conversation about what we might do together.

Men's Monthly Breakfast Group | Saturday, October 22 8:30-10:30 a.m. RSVP to billbeatty55@gmail.com

Celebrating 50 years of the ordination of women in the PCUSA next Sunday, 23^{rd} in worship.

Square Dance: Saturday, October 22nd 6:30-8:00pm in the gym. This is both a fundraiser for campership and an event to which we're inviting our neighbors.

Potluck & Movie Night: Wednesday, October 26th 7:00pm Bring your favorite Italian dish! **Film: Cinema Paradiso.**

Rockridge Halloween Parade: Annual Halloween Parade along College Avenue | Sunday, October 30th beginning at 12 noon. Come to worship in your costume!

Thank you to Leadership today:

Ushers: Louise Hirschman, Albert Hussian

Liturgist:

Fellowship: Margaret Smith

Godly Play: Ellen Brylawski, Maya Patil

Musicians: Dave Eagle, Swen Hendrickson, Roger Kim

& Pete Feltman

Leadership for next week, 10/23/16:

Ushers: Bill Beatty, Sharon Nelson Liturgist: the Women of our Church Fellowship: Elaine Price, Chris Olsen Godly Play: Beth Beatty, Elaine Price

Exodus 32:1-14 & Matthew 5:1-11

We continue in our Fall series reading through the foundational stories of the Hebrew Scriptures, working to finish with a palate perspective of them as we move into Advent and the way in which we as followers of Jesus read the Hebrew Scriptures as pointing towards Jesus.



This book of the Exodus tells the story of the life and leadership of Moses who transformed by an encounter with God, leads the Israelites from their generations-old enslavement in Egypt to freedom. Paradoxically, once liberated physically the people struggle to become free from a different bondage, an enslavement to fear of the unknown, the security of the familiar and the all-too-quick movement to idolatrous rejection of the God who delivered them from their chains of slavery. The story is the primary articulation of Jewish identity, but is also the story of the human condition from which God longs to deliver us, and the exodus from sin in which Jesus of Nazareth leads us forward through his life and death.

Today's selection tells of how quickly the Israelites lose faith and hope in Yahweh when Moses is absent and his brother, Aaron, steps in as "interim pastor." It's a story of idolatry and mistrust, present at the heart of the human condition. A story told again and again in the Bible, from the garden of Eden in Genesis 2 up and through the life of Jesus.

The gospel of Matthew is likely written to the church located in what we now call Syria & Lebanon, one that was heavily influenced by Jewish culture and belief. The teaching in today's reading, commonly called the Beatitudes, is at the center of Matthew's retelling of the gospel. It's the constitution or summary of all that Jesus taught. Matthew presents it as both a new teaching and faithful reinterpretation of the Jewish Torah or law, less a new way of approaching God than a fulfilling or perfecting of the Torah.

Questions for Examen & Contemplation

- As we see in these texts Yahweh desires to be known. Our human condition often leads us to look elsewhere in our desire to see god. Sometimes to our own selves and power, sometimes to other people, powers or things. To what do you look for your sense of identity, purpose and passion most often?
- We affirm that God is both unknowable and knowable, infinitely far from us and impossibly close, both transcendent and immanent. How and where have you experienced that paradox of God's nature? As followers of Jesus, we affirm with those who have walked and lived before us in faith, that Jesus is the visible image of the invisible god [Colossians 1:15]. What does that mean for you today in your daily life?
- How are you led astray, looking for God in idols of your own making or created by our societal systems? Talk with god about your own deception, disloyalty or disobedience. Tell God of the freedom you long to know, the ways in which you which to see.

LYRICS AND READINGS FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016

Call to Worship Responsive Reading

Psalm 14 (the Message Translation)

One: Bilious and bloated, they gas,
 "God is gone."

Their words are poison gas,
 fouling the air; they poison
Rivers and skies;
 thistles are their cash crop.

ALL: God sticks his head out of heaven.
He looks around.
He's looking for someone not stupid—
one man, even, God-expectant,
just one God-ready woman.

One: He comes up empty. A string of zeros. Useless, unshepherded Sheep, taking turns pretending to be Shepherd.

The ninety and nine follow their fellow.

ALL: Don't they know anything,
all these impostors?
Don't they know
they can't get away with this—
Treating people like a fast-food meal
over which they're too busy to pray?

One: Night is coming for them, and nightmares, for God takes the side of victims.

Do you think you can mess with the dreams of the poor?

You can't, for God makes their dreams come true.

ALL: Is there anyone around to save Israel?
Yes. God is around;
God turns life around.
Turned-around Jacob skips rope,
turned-around Israel sings laughter.

"Praise To The Lord The Almighty"

Blue Hymnal #142; Oliver Holden, 1793

- 1. Praise to the Lord the almighty the king of creation
 Oh my soul praise Him for He is thy health and salvation
 All ye who hear now to His temple draw near Join me in glad adoration
- 2. Praise to the Lord who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth Shelters thee under His wings yes so gently sustaineth Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been Granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3. Praise to the Lord who doth prosper thy work and defend thee Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee Ponder anew what the almighty can do If with His love He befriend thee
- 4. Praise to the Lord
 O let all that is in me adore Him
 All that hath life and breath
 come now with praises before Him
 Let the amen sound from His people again
 Gladly for aye we adore Him

"Create In Me A Clean Heart O God" $\,$

Keith Green, composer

Create in me a clean heart, oh God And renew a right spirit within me Create in me a clean heart, oh God And renew a right spirit within me

Cast me not away from Thy presence, oh Lord And take not Thy holy spirit from me Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation And renew a right spirit within me

"Jesus Our Divine Companion"

Author: Henry Van Dyke (1909; alt.)

Jesus our divine companion by Your lowly human birth You have come to join the workers burden bearers of the earth You the carpenter of Nazareth toiling for Your daily food By Your patience and Your courage You have taught us work is good

Where the many toil together there you are among Your own Where the solitary labor You are there with them alone You the peace that passes knowledge dwelling in the daily strife You the bread of heaven are broken in the sacrament of life

"Worthy"

Worthy, worthy worthy is the lamb Worthy, worthy, worthy is the lamb

Praise you, praise you, praise you evermore We praise you, we praise you, we praise you evermore

Love you, love you, love you evermore We love you, we love you, we love you evermore

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Author: Helen Howarth Lemmel (1922)

- 1. O soul are you weary and troubled No light in the darkness you see There's light for a look at the Savior And life more abundant and free
- 2. Turn your eyes upon Jesus Look full in his wonderful face And the things of earth will grow strangely dim In the light of his glory and grace
- 3. Through death into life everlasting He passed and we follow him there Over us sin no more hath dominion For more than conquerors we are
- 4. His word shall not fail you He promised Believe Him and all will be well Then go to a world that is dying His perfect salvation to tell