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Blue Hymnal #258

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.

Please come join us.

CHILDREN

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.

Today we're having an Easter Egg Hunt for all children immediately after the service. Listen for specific instructions during the service.

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.

CCLI #1137062

Easter Sunday | March 27, 2016

GATHERING SONG

"Praise Ye The Lord"

CALL TO WORSHIP

ENTRANCE OF THE CROSS

ENTRANCE HYMN

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

- Blue Hymnal #123

We invite those in attendance who have experienced bereavement and loss this past year to come forward and form a Circle of Hope around the Cross; as together we lay our burdens before the Cross: God's ultimate word on loss.

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

TIME OF CONFESSION

- Jeff Trowbridge

Silent Prayer followed by **Prayer of Forgiveness and Assurance of Pardon**

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Halle Halle Halle"

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

- Jeff Trowbridge

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

Liturgist: God, in your mercy.

Community: Hear our prayer.

Our Choir is singing between groups of our prayer requests this morning. 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

"My Tribute"

- Red Hymnal #3

HEARING GOD'S WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

- Jeff Trowbridge

Mark 16:1-8

Pew Bible, p. 988

CHORAL REFLECTION

"O Freedom"

- CAPC Choir

SERMON

"> BRB #easternews"

- Rev. Monte McClain

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Lord Of The Dance"

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING CALL AND RESPONSE

Leader: God is good!

Leader: And all the time!

People: All the time!

People: God is good!

EXHORTATION

SUNG BENEDICTION

"Peace be with you"

- CAPC Choir

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST "La paix de Dieu" (French) | "de vrede van God" (Dutch)

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

March Birthdays

1	Al Barnes	17	Louise Hischman
3	Danny Gee	22	Ellen Brylawski
6	Jeff Trowbridge	24	Marda Strothers
6	Chris Wenzler	28	Lucian Haynes
9	Emily Wenzler	31	Gordon Laverty
12	Kristy McClain	31	Gene Anderson

PRAYERS & PRAISE

Prayers of praise and gratitude for: My family and friends; those who try me each day; Lord that you are my guide and savior.

Prayers for God to intervene for: Connie Snoey who died today, may she rest in peace; my sister-in-law Cheryl who is fighting cancer; Virginia and Priscilla, their sister Cherylene died this week after battling cancer for 10 years; Larry Miller fighting cancer; the healing of both body and spirit of my friend Patrician who is still in the hospital recovering from surgery; Tyler Conant Martin and his dad to find a new place to live; healing for Cecilia Jackson, Terry Joseph and Jewel Sierra.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Walking through the Bible | Thursday at 11:30am in the Library, Emma Fleming: 510-653-6536

CAPC CHOIR | Sunday 12:00-1:00pm & Wednesday at 6pm

Mid Week Small Group Gathering Wednesdays 7:30-9 pm
Meets near CAL campus | Questions: call Marda 510.540.7173

Friday Night Meal | Friday 6-7pm. Talk to Ellen Brylawski to help

The Vocabulary of Faith | Sunday 9:30-10:15am (library)

Women's Group | Saturday 8:30-10:00 am

Next Week : yadnuS sdrawkcaB Church like you've never seen it before. If the promise of resurrection turns our world upside down, how do we process it? Come for this backwards service.

One Great Hour of Sharing: this is our annual offering to benefit the poor, hungry and oppressed through our nation-wide church. If you forgot to bring your gift today, you can do so next week.

Pick up information in the entryway or online at

<http://specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs>.

Coffee & Conversations | Tuesday, April 14th 10-11am

Recreation VBS Camp : August 15-19th www.recreationvbs.org

Thank you to Leadership today:

Ushers: Sharon Nelson, Bill Beatty
Liturgist: Jeff Trowbridge
Fellowship: Women's Group
Godly Play: Beth and Bill Beatty
Musicians: Dave Eagle (Drums), Roger Kim (Guitar) & Pete Feltman (a bit of everything)

Leadership for next week, 4/3/16:

Ushers: Jeff Trowbridge, Bob Brylawski
Liturgist: Ben Bencomo
Fellowship: Michael Mendonca, Toni Proulx
Godly Play: Communion – children stay in worship

Mark 16:1-8

Easter. Holy yet hallmarked, bewildering and baffling, yet quite clear, we celebrate it with symbols of new life: butterflies, lambs chicks and eggs, mutated into pink marshmallow Peeps and chocolate-covered peanut butter bunnies. Resurrection is behind and under it all. But what does that mean for us today? For you? Me? In the wake of terrorism? In the trepidation of our election cycle? In the uncertainty of daily life?

The passion of resurrection is told neither in a metaphysical treatise, nor an ontological argument, but through story, witness and narrative. Defeated in their hopes and dreams, the women come after the Sabbath to do what one does, to anoint and prepare the body for burial, to sit Shiva, to say goodbye, to sit in and with the despair of the limitations of human existence.

In the ultimate place of despair: the grave – they encounter a suddenly appearing young man. Is it an angel? A spiritual vision? A young man? It's both unclear and vague. But the appearing presence tells of a radical deliverance by the power of God. The dead one is not there. He has risen. He has gone before them, and us...even now. Look for him where you first encountered and came to know him: in the region of Galilee.

This presence is like that of the three strangers arriving at the tent of Abram and Sarah, the voice from the burning bush in the desert that propels Moses to a new destiny, the mysterious man in the fiery furnace with Shadrach, Meshack and Abendego, the wisdom spoken at just the right time to Esther as the Jews faced genocide, the deafening silence of peace heard by Elijah outside the cave, the word that came upon Jeremiah, burning his lips, consecrating him to a prophetic life from his genesis.

Fear and trembling, terror and reverential silence are the responses to the encounter of the Divine. Abraham is speechless and paralyzed at the experience of God's presence, Moses' stubborn fear melts away, the emperor of Babylon trembles before the miraculous God-given survival of Shadrach, Meshack, Abendego and Daniel. Ruth stays faithful in famine, Mary is called to be the mother-of-God. The women, encountering the awe-some power of the almighty know neither what to say, nor what to do. They're instructed to return to the beginning, to return to zero, to look anew at what they thought they'd know, seen, heard and received. Their world is turned upside down. What they thought they knew, was not just wrong, but besides the point. It's a re-birthing of their hope, a re-formation of their understanding, a resurrection of their life.

Questions for Going Deeper:

- What do you think is the message of these scriptures?
- How have you experienced it as truth in your life?
- What invitation do you hear from God in this text to act, say, be or do



LYRICS AND READINGS FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Prayer adapted Monte McClain

One: Today we find ourselves in a world
where the way forward is certainly uncertain;
the inevitable seems both sure and unlike

**ALL: and we wonder
what else is made possible
because of the resurrection:**

One: Could it be?

ALL: But the stone is out of place and the tomb empty.

One: Christ is not among the dead;

ALL: Christ is Risen! The tomb is empty.

One: Remember, he told you all these things must pass;

ALL: Christ is Risen! Look for him in Galilee

One: What walls will be broken?
What darkness will be destroyed;

**ALL: Where is death shown for what it is in our lives?
Where does the promise and potential of love
overcome hate, violence and fear?**

One: The tomb is empty; death does not have the final word!

ALL: Christ is Risen! He awaits us.

One: Love Wins! Life Wins! Christ reigns forever!

ALL: Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen indeed!

"Praise Ye The Lord"

J. Jefferson Cleveland, 1981

Blue Hymnal #258, inspired from Psalm 150

Refrain:

Praise ye the Lord, Hallelujah!
Everybody praise the Lord.

1. Praise God with the sound of the trumpet,
Praise God with the lute and the harp;
Praise God with timbrel and dancing,
Praise God wherever you are.
2. Praise God with holy cymbals,
Praise God with strings and with pipes;
Praise God with clashing cymbals,
Praise God with all of your might.
3. Praise God in the holy temple,
Praise God for almighty deeds;
Praise God for those bountiful mercies,
For God fulfills our needs.
4. Praise God on top of the mountains,
Praise God both day and night;
Praise God down in the low valleys,
Praise God because it's alright.

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Lyra Davidica, 1708

Blue Hymnal #123

1 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

"Halle Halle Halle"

Traditional Caribbean song

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

"My Tribute"

Andrae Crouch

Red Hymnal, #365, Psalm 115:1

[Verse 1:]

How can I say thanks
for the things You have done for me?
Things so undeserved,
yet You give to prove Your love for me.
The voices of a million angels
could not express my gratitude.
All that I am and ever hope to be,
I owe it all to Thee.

[Chorus:]

To God be the glory,
to God be the glory,
to God be the glory
for the things He has done.

With His blood He has saved me,
with His power He has raised me.
To God be the glory
for the things He has done.

"Lord Of The Dance"

*Music: Lord of the Dance. 19th century Shaker tune;
adapted by Sydney Carter*

1. I danced in the morning when the world was begun
I danced in the Moon, and the stars, and the Sun
I came down from Heaven and I danced on Earth
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

Refrain

Dance then, wherever you may be
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He!
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be
And I'll lead you all in the Dance, said He!

2. I danced for the scribe and the pharisee
They would not dance, they wouldn't follow me
So I danced for the fishermen James and John
They come with me and the Dance went on:

3. I danced on the Sabbath and cured the lame
The holy people, they said it was a shame!
They whipped and stripped and then hung me high
Left me there on a cross to die!

4. I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black
It's hard to dance with the devil on your back
They buried my body and they thought I'd gone
But I am the Dance and I still go on!

5. They cut me down but I leap up high
I am the Life that will never never die!
I live in you if you live in Me
I am the Lord of the Dance, said He!