



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. 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.

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.

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August 21, 2016

GATHERING SONG

"Gather Us In"

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CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF PRAISE

"Be Thou My Vision"

- Blue Hymnal #339

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

- Benjamin Bencomo

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

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Cares Chorus"

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

- Benjamin Bencomo

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

"Sanctuary"

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LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Job 42:7-17 & John 12:24-26

- Benjamin Bencomo

Pew Bible, p. 522, 938

SERMON

"Fully Living"

-Rev. Monte McClain

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD : Glimpses of God's Presence in the Past Week

SONG OF RESPONSE

"What Wondrous Love is This"

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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 & BENEDICTION

- Monte

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST "سلام المسيح" or "Salam almasih"

(Arabic)

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

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

5	Jeff & Linda Trowbridge	12	David Kittams
5	Lori Castner	20	Todd Barnes
5	Ellen Raskin	22	Patrice Trowbridge
8	Anne Marie	24	Bob Brylawski
8	Bob & Ellen Brylawski	25	Margaret Smith
9	Thom & Tina Faulkner	30	Monte & Kristy McClain
12	Sharon Nelson		

UPCOMING EVENTS

CAPC CHOIR | on vacation until late August.

Friday Night Meal | Friday 6-7pm. Talk to Ellen Brylawski to help: ellenbry@comcast.net

The Vocabulary of Faith | Sunday 9:30-10:15am.
The Great Emergence. Find pre-class resources and study materials on our blog at www.capcoakland.me.

Recreation VBS Camp | We had a great week of camp! You can see photo memories at www.recreationvbs.org. Then click on 2016 PHOTOS in the principal menu.

E-Waste Recycling Fundraiser : This event has been canceled as the recycling company discerned that we cannot meet the storage needs that they require..

Celtic Prayer Mid Week Small Group | Wednesday 7-8:30pm, meets near CAL campus | Questions: contact Marda Stothers 510.540.7173

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

Church Retreat Registration Monies : you can turn in your retreat monies to Anne Marie Adams today. She's teaching Godly Play, but will be at Coffee Hour. **Session Meeting** : Thursday, August 25th @ 7:30pm

Blessing of the Backpacks : Sunday, September 11th
Kicking off the new school year in worship with a blessing and community-wide invitation to teachers to be celebrated.

Staff Vacation: Pete Feltman will be on vacation 8/1-20,
Mahri Holt will be on vacation 8/17-8/25.
Monte is taking Monday-Wednesday as comp days

Thank you to Leadership today:

Ushers: Fredora Darmstadt, Jeff Trowbridge
Liturgist: Ben Bocomo
Fellowship: Bob & Ellen Brylawski
Godly Play: David Kittams, Anne Marie Adams
Musicians: Dave Eagle (Drums), Monte (Guitar), & Sharon Nelson (songleading)

Leadership for next week, 8/28/16:

Ushers: Sharon Nelson, Anne Marie Adams
Liturgist: *Can you help by serving as liturgist?*
Fellowship: Linda Davis Louise Hirschman
Godly Play: Beth Beatty, Maya Patil

Job 42:7-17 & John 12:24-26

Job ends (as it began) in prose. The middle of the story (the dialogue between Job and his friends and the voice of God spoken from the whirlwind) occurs in poetry. It's as if the text itself points to the mystery of life that in its fullness has to be expressed in prose and poetry, recounted and dreamed. At first glance it seems unfair. Everything is returned to Job. It's an unrealistic or cheesy epilogue. But upon a closer look much more is occurring.

Job is commended by God for having spoken of God rightly. His friends explained that God punishes those who sin, how else can you explain suffering and the presence of systemic evil? God also refutes their notion that you shouldn't question, or wrestle with, God, as Job has done in his zeal to live faith-full-y. Job is commended (not rewarded) for having sought a relationship with God, not a bargaining quid-pro-quo give and take negotiation. While they spoke about God, Job spoke of God. It's through that relational connection that Job then prays to God to preserve the life of his friends who have been so unfaithful.

Job's fortunes are restored. He (and presumably Mrs. Job) have more children, and he gives his daughters names befitting their great beauty. The first is named "dove" the bird of peace and a new beginning, the second is named "cassia" or "Sweet-scented spice," connecting with the idea of the end of what was before. The third literally means the horn of adornment and is a reference, therefore, to the outward beauty that comes from an inward character. Curiously the text insists upon that Job gives them an inheritance along with their brothers (an unheard-of act in that patriarchal culture). In other words, Job learns to govern his world the way God governs God's world: with great delight in his children's beauty and freedom. Like God, Job gives them the freedom to be who they're created to be.

We might the epilogue of Job unsatisfactory, but then you have to wonder what would it cost, what would Job fear in contemplating becoming a father again? God hasn't guaranteed that he'll be free of suffering and loss in the future. He could lose everything, including his children, again. What pushes him to dare to live again, to embrace life even in the shadow of the evil-engendering chaos that is still in the world? After all his suffering, Job chooses to live again, a choice that grows from his fierce faith in the God of life.

In John's gospel account, Jesus is talking to non-Jews come seeking spiritual insight and enlightenment. He instructs that you must die to live. The more you hold tightly on to life, the less you have it. To be fully alive is different than living. Life abundant is inseparable from a life of service, a life that is known only through going first through death. In Hebrew the word for "service, or to serve" also means "to worship." The two are indissociable and interdependent. Did Job have to learn that to be fully alive? Do we?

LYRICS AND READINGS FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016

Call to Worship Prayer:

O God,
We gather together in Your presence
with expectation,
hungry for an encounter with You,
eager to hear Your Word.

Open our eyes and ears
to the presence of Your Holy Spirit.
May the seeds of Your Word scattered among us
this morning
fall on fertile soil.
May they take root in our hearts and lives,
and produce an abundant harvest
of good words and deeds.

We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ,
our teacher and our Lord.
Amen.

“Gather Us In” *Author: Marty Haugen.*

Verse 1:
Here in this place, new light is streaming
Now is the darkness vanished away
See in this space our fears and our dreamings
Brought here to you in the light of this day

Gather us in the lost and forsaken
Gather us in the blind and the lame
Call to us now and we shall awaken
We shall arise at the sound of our name

Verse 2
We are the young our lives are a mystery
We are the old who yearn for you face
We have been sung throughout all of history
Called to be light to the whole human race

Gather us in the rich and the haughty
Gather us in the proud and the strong
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly
Give us the courage to enter the song

Verse 3

Here we all take the wine and the water
Here we will take the bread of new birth
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters
Call us anew to be salt for the earth

Give us to drink the wine of compassion
Give us to eat the bread that is you
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true

Verse 4

Not in the dark of buildings confining
Not in some heaven, light-years away
here in this place the new light is shining
Now is the Kingdom, now is the day

Gather us in and hold us forever
Gather us in and make us your own
Gather us in all peoples together
Fire of love in our peoples together

“Be Thou My Vision”

1. Be thou my vision O lord of my heart
Nought be all else to me save that thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping thy presence my light

2. Riches I heed not nor vain empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and thou only first in my heart
Great God of heaven my treasure thou art

3. Be thou my wisdom and thou my true word
I ever with thee and thou with me lord
Thou my soul's shelter and thou my high tower
Still be my vision O ruler of all

4. High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys O bright heaven's sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O ruler of all

Cares Chorus

I cast all my cares upon You
I lay all of my burdens down at your feet
And anytime that I don't know what to do
I will cast all my cares upon you

Sanctuary

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You

What Wondrous Love Is This

By: American Folk Hymn

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this
That caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down, sinking down,
When I was sinking down
Beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul for my soul,
Christ laid aside His crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb I will sing;
To God and to the Lamb,
Who is the great I AM,
While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.
And when from death I'm free
I'll sing His love for me,
And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
And through eternity I'll sing on.