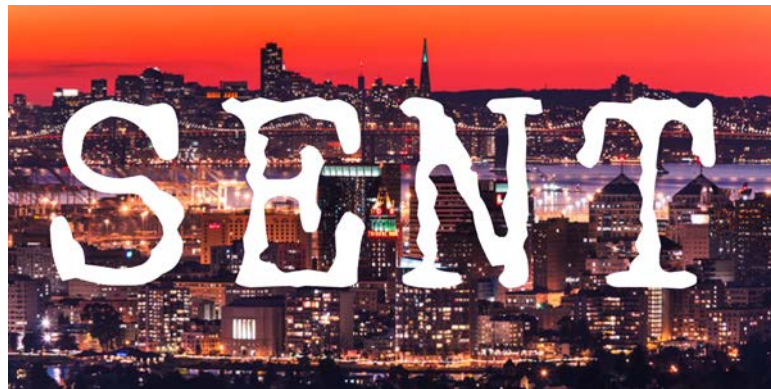


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Welcome to CAPC Oakland!

We are a reformed, multicultural, politically purple, community of followers of Jesus seeking to live our faith seriously in word, deed and relationships in the East Bay.

If you've never celebrated with us, you can follow along using this paper or the projection on the screen. Hymnals and Bibles are in the pews. We invite you to join us for a moment of community connection afterwards with a drink and simple snack.

CHILDREN

We have a quiet play area for children in the front of the sanctuary with toys and coloring sheets that can be played with during services. We also have a lounge, off the entryway, where the service is broadcast if you need more space.

We invite children 3 years old to 6th grade to depart for Godly Play following our second song. You can gather your child(ren) after worship upstairs in the GP room.

PRAYER CARDS

You're invited to share your prayers of concern or gratitude by filling out the cards, located in the pews, and placing them in the glass vase on the table. We'll use them during today's service.

WIFI & SOCIAL MEDIA

2wire927 is our open wifi. The password is 7304088568. If you do social media during the service we invite you to add #capcoakland to include others.

NESTLÉ PARKING LOT

We're able to park in the lot behind the church. They ask us to enter and exit off of Chabot Road, using the pedestrian door there near Crossroads Trading.

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GATHERING SONG

"Go Down Moses"

- insert

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF PRAISE

"I Am Who I Am I Will Be Who I Will"

- insert

TIME OF CONFESSION

Silent Prayer followed by Prayer of Forgiveness and Assurance of Pardon

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Don't be Afraid"

- insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Leader: God, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

To pray with someone after the service, look for Pastor Monte after today's service

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS TO EMPOWER THE WORK OF GOD IN THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY SONG

"Amen Chorus"

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:10-17

SERMON

"But I don't Have a Map?"

- Rev. Monte McClain

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SONGS OF RESPONSE

"10,000 Reasons"

insert

ONE BREAD & ONE BODY : GOD NOURISHES AND GROWS OUR FAITH

All those who are hungry for God's presence are invited to share in our table meal today. We're celebrating by gathering together around the table in the center of the sanctuary either standing, or seated in the front row. Our elders will serve us primarily by Intinction (taking a piece of bread and dipping it into a common cup). A plate of individual cups is available for those who prefer that. We'll remain there until the end of the service as we celebrate world communion.

COMMUNION SONG

"Bread Of Life From Heaven"

- insert

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING CALL AND RESPONSE

Leader: God is good!

People: All the time!

Leader: And all the time!

People: God is good!

EXHORTATION & BENEDICTION

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

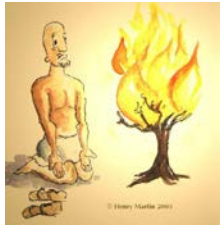
"La Pace de Dio"

(Italian)

We pass the peace weekly using languages native to the cultures of our church community as an audible sign of the Dominion of God at work towards the healing transformation of the world.

Thoughts on Today's Scriptures Exodus 2:23-25; 3:1-15; 4:10-17

Call or vocation is a primary aspect of Judeo-Christian faith. We believe and trust in a God who speaks to us, knows us personally, invites us to know God personally and who involves us intimately in the ongoing work of creation, sanctification and world reconciliation. But, we often turn aside, or miss out on such an invitation. Maybe it would be easier if we ran into Jesus on the or the street as the disciples did when fishing? Maybe it would be easier if we saw and heard God while we went about our daily life (like Moses today)? Or maybe it wouldn't change anything.



We jump from the story of the binding of Isaac (last week in Genesis 21-22) and Abraham's confession of God as the Lord who provides, to the foundational story in the First Testament about the identity, purpose and passion of God. Often called the Burning Bush, it's the experience of Moses, who going about his daily life as a shepherd, is invited to turn aside to see a great sight and a bigger picture. The reading starts with emphasis upon God's hearing and responding to the cries of help of the people. In fact several words are used, groans, cries, suffering. It's not just that God hears, but God takes notice, acts, follow through. And so God interrupts the routine schedule of Moses who responds with the classic response to God's invitation (as we saw last week in Genesis 21:7 Hineni (הִנֵּנִי), which means "Here I am" – I'm ready to do your will. God invites Moses to draw closer, to remove his shoes. There is something different to see, to hear, to recognize that requires a change in rhythm, an openness. Notice the heavy repetition of the word see throughout the text.

God invites, calls, gives a vocation to Moses, but Moses stalls, avoids and tries to work his way out of it. Four times he responds by "but..." His four but's keep him from his call. He's not a loser, but rather someone just like us filled with fear, grappling with anxiety and hesitation, plagued by self-doubt and mistrust. Yet God doesn't smite him, but rather continues to invite him to draw near, to go deeper, to leave his but's behind. God reveals the divine name YHWH, often called the Tetragrammaton meaning "[consisting of] four letters") יהוה in Hebrew and YHWH in Latin script. It's so sacred that religiously observant and over conservative Jews neither pronounce nor read aloud the name יהוה; instead substituting a different term to refer to God such as Adonai ["The Lord"], or HaShem ["The Name"]. The name is a mixture of the word for "to be" conjugated simultaneously in more than one way, giving the impossible to grasp definition of "I will be who I will be" or "I am who I was" or "I was who I will be." It conveys that message that God cannot be put in a box, controlled, or limited. And that is the message, the name that Moses is called to go and tell others about.

Questions for the practice of Examen & Contemplation

- What shimmers for you in this passage?
- What image most speaks to you today?
- What but's keep you from entering into God's call for you?
- How are you called to tell of God's name in the world?
- What does it mean for us to go and say "I am has sent me to you"? What might that look like?

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

October Birthdays

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

October Anniversaries

09 Marc and Louise Hirschman	1982
10 Ward and Marda Stothers	1971

UPCOMING EVENTS

Youth Group: for Middle and High School Students – Weekly Sunday nights from 7:00-8:30pm.

CAPC Choir | New Tuesday Night Rehearsal Schedule : Sunday after worship and Tuesday nights 5:30-6:30pm

Retreat Final Leadership Evaluation Meeting || Today @ 1:30pm at Acapulco's Restaurant, in Alameda

Prayer Flags – Make one today! : We've engaged the larger community at Out and About (and on our campus) in making prayer flags to adorn our garden in our centennial celebration season. Today's your chance to make one to add by drawing or writing your prayer(s) for Oakland and the world.,

Coffee & Conversations: Tuesday, October 10th 10-11:00 am | Open, Safe Conversation about faith and ethics. On the patio in front of Safeway at College @ Claremont

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

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

The Vocabulary of Faith | Sunday 9:30 in the Library Find the text we study copied in the entry or online.

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

Theology on Tap : This Tuesday, October 3rd 7:30pm at the Golden Squirrel Pub. BYO open, safe discussion around a theological question

Pictures for the Directory : Can you bring a photo to Monte to share in our forthcoming member directory?

Thank You to Today's Leadership:

Ushers: Anne Marie Adams, Emma Flemming
Liturgist: Fredora Darmstadt
Fellowship: Anne Marie Adams, Sharon Nelson
Godly Play: Children Remain in Worship
Musicians: Dave Eagle, Kevin Goldberg, Pete Feltman

Leadership for next week, 10/8/17:

Ushers: Louise Hirschman, Albert Hussian
Liturgist: Can you help? Contact Monte if you can.
Fellowship: Chris Olson, Elaine Price
Godly Play: David Kittams (ST); Maya Patil (DK)

CALL TO WORSHIP

*This morning we're reading Psalm 136 responsively as our call to worship. The community is invited to respond to each phrase with the response printed below. Reader reads plain font, **the people the bold.***

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

LYRICS TO THIS MORNING'S SONGS:

"Go Down Moses"

Traditional African-American Spiritual

1 When Israel was in Egypt's land,
Let my people go,
oppressed so hard they could not stand,
Let my people go.

Refrain:
Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land,
tell old Pharaoh: Let my people go.

2 The Lord told Moses what to do,
Let my people go,
to lead the Hebrew children through,
Let my people go.

3 As Israel stood by the waterside,
Let my people go,
at God's command it did divide,
Let my people go.

4 When they had reached the other shore,
Let my people go,
they let the song of triumph soar,
Let my people go.

5 Lord, help us all from bondage flee,
Let my people go,
and let us all in Christ be free,
Let my people go.

"Don't be Afraid"

John Bell; The Iona Community

Don't be afraid my love is stronger
My love is stronger than your fear
Don't be afraid my love is stronger
And I have promised, promised to be always near

"I Am Who I Am, I Will Be Who I Will Be"

Jane Parker Huber, 1996, Welsh Folk Melody

1. "I am who I am, I will be who I will,
unfettered Creator and creating still!"
In such words of freedom, our God's clarion voice
speaks loudly or softly, and our hearts rejoice.

2. "I am who I am!" - now in this time and place.
God with us! Christ with us! The fullness of grace!
Each day is exiting, with justice our goal, the Spirit
igniting new flames in the soul.

3. "I am who I am!" - God both faithful and free;
unbound by tradition, "I'll be who I'll be."
"I will be who I will be" - God beyond thought,
unshackled by anything people have wrought.

4. God's names are so varied: Rock, Eagle, and Dove,
Messiah, Emmanuel, Wisdom, and Love.
Yet all are reflections of only a part.
"I will be who I will be" - that is the heart!

"10,000 Reasons"

Matt Redman, 2013

Chorus

Bless the Lord Oh my soul, Oh my soul
Worship his holy name
Sing like never before, Oh my soul
I worship your holy name

1. The sun comes up, It's a new day dawning.
It's time to sing your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes

2. You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing,
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

3. And on that day when my strength is failing,
the end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing your unending,
ten thousand reasons and then forevermore

"Bread of Life from Heaven"

Susan R. Briehl, 2001; Argentine Melody
Glory to God Hymnal #497

Chorus

Bread of life from heaven, our blood and body given,
We eat this bread and drink this cup until you come again.

1. Break now the bread of Christ's sacrifice; giving thanks,
hungry ones, gather round. Eat, all of you, and be satisfied;
in Christ's presence the loaves will abound.

2. Seek not the food that will pass away; set your hearts
on the food that endures. Come, learn the true and the living
way, that the fullness of life may be yours.

3. Love as the One who, in love for you, gave himself
for the life of the world. Come to the One who is
food for you, that your hunger and thirst be no more.

4. Dwell in the One who now dwells in you; make your home
in the life-giving Word. Know only Christ, holy
One of God, and believe in the truth you have heard.

5. Drink of this cup and declare his death; eat this bread
and believe Easter morn; trust his return and, with
every breath, praise the One in whom you are reborn.

THE GLORY OF THE TRIUNE GOD

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I Am Who I Am, I Will Be Who I Will



1. "I am who I am, I will be who I will,
2. "I am who I am!" now in this time and place.
3. "I am who I am!"— God both faith - ful and free;
4. God's names are so var - ied: Rock, Ea - gle, and Dove,



un - fet - tered Cre - a - tor and cre - a - ting still!"
God with us! Christ with us! the full - ness of grace!
· un - bound by tra - di - tion, "I'll be who I'll be."
Mes - si - ah, Em - man - u - el, Wis - dom, and Love.



In such words of free - dom, our God's clar - ion voice
Each day is ex - cit - ing, with jus - tice our goal,
"I will be who I will be"— God be - yond thought,
Yet all are re - flec - tions of on - ly a part.



speaks loud - ly or soft - ly, and our hearts re - joice.
the Spir - it ig - nit - ing new flames in the soul.
un - shack - led by an - y - thing peo - ple have wrought.
"I will be who I will be"— that is the heart!

497 Bread of Life from Heaven

Refrain C G Am Am7 F G7 C

Bread of life from heav-en, your blood and bod - y giv - en, we

F G7 C Am F G7 C Last time

eat this bread and drink this cup un - til you come a - gain.

G G7 C F

1 Break now the bread of Christ's sac - ri - fice; giv - ing thanks,
 2 Seek not the food that will pass a - way; set your hearts
 3 Love as the One who, in love for you, gave him - self
 4 Dwell in the One who now dwells in you; make your home
 5 Drink of this cup and de - clare his death; eat this bread

G C Bdim7 E7

hun - gry ones, gath - er round. Eat, all of you, and be
 on the food that en - dures. Come, learn the true and the
 for the life of the world. Come to the One who is
 in the life - giv - ing Word. Know on - ly Christ, ho - ly
 and be - lieve Eas - ter morn; trust his re - turn and, with

Am Am7 D D7 Gsus G7 to Refrain

sat - is - fied; in Christ's pres - ence the loaves will a - bound.
 liv - ing way, that the full - ness of life may be yours.
 food for you, that your hun - ger and thirst be no more.
 One of God, and be - lieve in the truth you have heard.
 ev - ery breath, praise the One in whom you are re - born.

This Lord's Supper hymn began with the music of the refrain, an Argentine melody for the *Sanctus*. Then the refrain text was written to fit that music, followed by stanzas based on themes from John 6. Finally, a melody for the stanzas was composed in the style of the refrain.