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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.

CCL #1137062



July 1, 2018

GATHERING HYMN

"Come Just As You Are"

- Insert

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF PRAISE

"Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"

- insert

ACT OF CONFESSION. *OPENING OURSELVES TO BEING UNDONE, THAT WE MIGHT BE REDONE*

SUNG PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

"Jesus Our Divine Companion"

- Insert

DECLARATION OF GRACE. *THE IN-BREAKING OF GOD'S GRACE DISRUPTS OUR HUMAN CONDITION OF SIN*

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 today's liturgist after today's service

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

OFFERTORY SONG

"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

- Insert, v.2.

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Luke 14:25-33

- Sharon Nelson
Pew Bible p. 1012

SERMON

- Rev. Sarah Reyes Gibbs

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SONG OF RESPONSE

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

- Blue Hymnal #369

COMMUNION: STRENGTH FOR THE JOURNEY OF FAITH

We celebrate by intinction, coming forward to receive the meal. If you'd prefer an individual cup or to be served at your seat, please raise your hand during our celebration as we'll attend to you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING CALL AND RESPONSE

Leader: God is good!

Leader: And all the time!

People: All the time!

People: God is good!

EXHORTATION & BENEDICTION

PASSING THE PEACE OF GOD

"Shalom Elohim"

- Hebrew

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
Scripture
Luke 14:25-33**



**DEEPENING
DISCIPLESHIP**

Discipleship, like anything we do that matters, has a cost. That's what underneath the saying, "Nothing good comes free." It's what Jesus talked about in Luke 14. Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German Lutheran pastor, well-known for his conviction that the most Christian thing to do during World War II was to stop the life-annihilating rule of the Nazi Party, and Hitler at any cost. He wrote most famously in *The Cost of Discipleship*, talking about cheap grace (non-discipleship) and costly grace (a life of discipleship).

"Cheap grace means grace sold on the market like cheapjack's wares. The sacraments, the forgiveness of sin, and the consolations of religion are thrown away at cut prices. Grace is represented as the Church's inexhaustible treasury, from which she showers blessings with generous hands, without asking questions or fixing limits. Grace without price; grace without cost! The essence of grace, we suppose, is that the account has been paid in advance; and, because it has been paid, everything can be had for nothing. Since the cost was infinite, the possibilities of using and spending it are infinite. What would grace be if it were not cheap?...

Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, Communion without confession, absolution without personal confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate.

Costly grace is the treasure hidden in the field; for the sake of it a man will go and sell all that he has. It is the pearl of great price to buy which the merchant will sell all his goods. It is the kingly rule of Christ, for whose sake a man will pluck out the eye which causes him to stumble; it is the call of Jesus Christ at which the disciple leaves [her] nets and follows him.

Costly grace is the gospel which must be sought again and again, the gift which must be asked for, the door at which [one] must knock.

Such grace is costly because it calls us to follow, and it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs [one their] life, and it is grace because it gives [one] the only true life. It is costly because it condemns sin, and grace because it justifies the sinner. Above all, it is costly because it cost God the life of his Son: "ye were bought at a price," and what has cost God much cannot be cheap for us. Above all, it is grace because God did not reckon his Son too dear a price to pay for our life, but delivered him up for us. Costly grace is the Incarnation of God."

Questions for the practice of Examen & Contemplation

- **How does this notion of cheap & costly grace touch you?**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

JULY BIRTHDAYS

7 James Dillard	11 Dave Eagle
13 Alana D'Attilio	15 Chris Olson
17 Rachel Brylawski	21 Chickwendu Okereke
22 Kaya Ramirez Blake	24 Maya Patil 2002
27 John Fonua	John LaMotte
31 Lisa Wu	

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Welcome to Sarah Reyes Gibbs! We're blessed to have Sarah leading and teaching in worship today. Many know Sarah from her time as our 2017 Retreat Speaker. She also recently retired from a long call to pastor Bethel Presbyterian Church in San Leandro. She's passionate about Jesus, justice, friends, youth, the Church, fun and grandchildren! She just returned from Paris. Ask her what she enjoyed there!

Choir Practice: today 12-1; Choir is on break until mid-July

Teaching ESL Classes, tomorrow, Monday, July 2nd 7-9pm at Primera Iglesia 1940 High St 94601.

Celtic Prayer Group | Wed 7:00pm

The Vocabulary of Faith | We're doing a 7 week class on Reclaiming Jesus. More info online at www.capcoakland.org/the-vocabulary-of-faith

Friday Night Meal | Fridays 6-7pm

TEAM CHICK | If you'd like to be involved with helping Chick and his family while he prepares for a future heart transplant which include regular visits, helping with practical needs (meals, sitting with him), as well as encouraging his children who are caring for him - talk to Janet Majors.

STAFF NEWS | Sarah Reyes will be preaching and leading worship today Sunday, July 1. Monte will then be on vacation until July 7th. Pete is taking vacation time in early July. He'll be absent from worship on Jul 8th and 15th. Monte will be back to lead worship next Sunday, July 8th.

Ukelele Classes | Sundays after worship | Talk to Karl Shadley if you're interested!

Thank You to Our Leadership This Morning:

Reader: Sharon Nelson

Fellowship: Michael Mendonca & Toni Proulx

No Godly Play because of communion

Preaching: Rev. Sarah Reyes-Gibbs

Leadership for next week, 7/8/18:

Testimony: Richard Harvey

Fellowship: Beth & Bill Beatty

Godly Play: Cameron Beatty | ST; Maya Patil | DK

LYRICS & WRITTEN RESPONSES FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP

"Come Just As You Are"

Crystal Lewis

Come just as You are
Hear the spirit call
Come just as You are

Come & see, come receive
Come and live forever

Life everlasting
Strength for today
Taste the living water
And never thirst again

"Hold To God's Unchanging Hand"

Author: Jennie Wilson

1. Time is filled with swift transition
None on earth unmoved can stand
Build your hopes on things eternal
Hold to God's unchanging hand

Refrain

Hold to his hand, God's unchanging hand
Hold to his hand, God's unchanging hand
Build your hopes on things eternal
Hold to God's unchanging hand

2. Trust in him that will not leave you
Whatsoever years may bring
If by earthly friends forsaken
Still closely to him cling

Refrain

3. Covet not this world's vain riches
That so rapidly decay
Seek to gain the Heavenly treasures
They will never pass away.

Refrain

4. When your journey is completed
When the valley you pass through
Fair, and bright the Home in glory
Your enraptured soul will view.

GATHERING WORDS | CALL TO WORSHIP

*Inspired from (Jeremiah 18, Psalm 139) Adapted by Monte
from a prayer from www.ministrymatters.com*

*The congregation responds with **the text in BOLD PRINT***

We come with praise
for the wonderful works of God.

**Even before we speak,
Even before we were woven together in the womb
with loving attention,
God knows us completely.**

The Holy One knows us, claims us and sustains us,
in our moments of clarity and trust
in our moments of confusion and doubt,

**Who can count the thoughts of God?
They are more than all the sands of the desert.**

Who can fathom the depth of divine wisdom?
It is more encompassing than the ocean depths.

**Like clay in the hand of the potter,
we are shaped into vessels of God's will;
our actions flow from being made in God's image;
our relationships flow from God's first love of us.**

We come with praise for the wonderful work of God:
glimpsed in sunsets and sunrises,
in panoramic vistas,
the encounters of newborn babies
and in the sighs on our death-beds;
experienced in our life-choices,
our actions, and words.
Our life matters. Our actions matters.
Our words matter. Because we matter to God.



PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Inspired from (Psalm 139, Luke 14). Adapted by Monte from
a prayer from www.ministrymatters.com
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**In a world which values gambling, risking, and
accumulating stuff as a sign of our value.**

**In a society paced by the urgency of
keeping up with the Joneses,
fleeing the fear that resources are scarce,
focusing on the short-term and immediate
instead of the life-long and long terms.**

**God of all our life,
you search us and know us.**

**We have often neglected to take up your cross,
refusing to bear the burdens that are ours.**

**We have been inoculated to life around us by
our desires,**

**we have been shackled
by attachments to possessions or to self.**

**While we have counted
the days to the weekend,
calculated what we need to save,
tracked what's going on around us;
we have often not counted the cost
of walking into an unknown future with you.**

**Help us turn away from the evil
that divides us from
you,
each other,
and our true selves,
that we may walk in your way of life,
truth and peace.**

"Jesus Our Divine Companion"

Henry Van Dyke (1909; alt.)

1. 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

2. Where the many toil together
there you are among Your own
Where the solitary labor
You are there with them alone

Continued next column...

You the peace that passes knowledge
dwelling in the daily strife
You the bread of heaven are broken
in the sacrament of life

"His Eye Is On The Sparrow"

Author: Civilla D. Martin (1905)

*Tune: SPARROW | Glory to God: the Presbyterian
Hymnal #661*

2. Let not your heart be troubled
his tender word I hear
And resting on his goodness
I lose my doubts and fears
though by the path he leadeth
but one step I may see
His eye is on the sparrow
and I know he watches me
His eye is on the sparrow
and I know he watches me

chorus

I sing because I'm happy,
I sing because I'm free
His eye is on the sparrow
and I know he watches me

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

Spiritual | Blue Hymnal #369

1. I'm gonna live so God can use me.
Anywhere lord, any time
I'm gonna live so God can use me.
Anywhere lord, any time
2. I'm gonna work so God can use me.
Anywhere lord, any time
I'm gonna work so God can use me.
Anywhere lord, any time
3. I'm gonna pray so God can use me.
Anywhere lord, any time
I'm gonna pray so God can use me.
Anywhere lord, any time
4. I'm gonna sing so God can use me.
Anywhere lord, any time
I'm gonna sing so God can use me.
Anywhere lord, any time

Why Should I Feel Discouraged?

His Eye Is on the Sparrow

1 Why should I feel dis-cour-aged? Why should the shadows
 2 "Let not your heart be trou-bled," his ten-der word I
 3 When-ev-er I am tempted, when-ev-er clouds a-

4 C A⁷ Dm
 Why should my heart be lone-ly
 and rest-ing on his good-ness,
 rise, when song gives place to sigh-ing,

7 G⁷ C
 and long for heaven and home, when Je-sus is my
 I lose my doubts and fears; though by the path he
 when hope with-in me dies, I draw the clos-er

10 G⁷ C F Dm
 por-tion? My con-stant friend is he:
 lead-eth but one step I may see: his
 to him; from care he sets me free:

13 G G⁷ C C⁷dim7 G⁷ C
 eye is on the spar-row, and I know he watch-es me;

C⁷ F Fm C G⁷ C
 his eye is on the spar-row, and I know he watches me.

Refrain G⁷ C G⁷ C
 I sing be-cause I'm happy, I sing be-cause I'm free,

C⁷ F Fm C G⁷ C
 for his eye is on the spar-row, and I know he watches me.

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TEXT: Civilla Duffee Martin, 1905

MUSIC (SPARROW, Irregular): Charles H. Gabriel, 1905

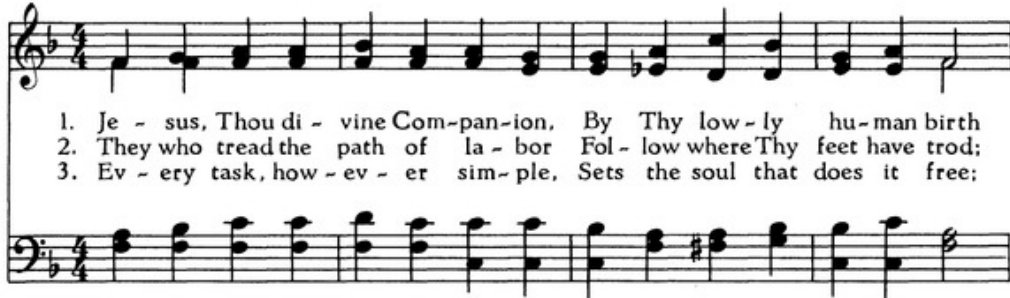
LABOR, URBAN AND RURAL LIFE

Jesus, Thou Divine Companion 415

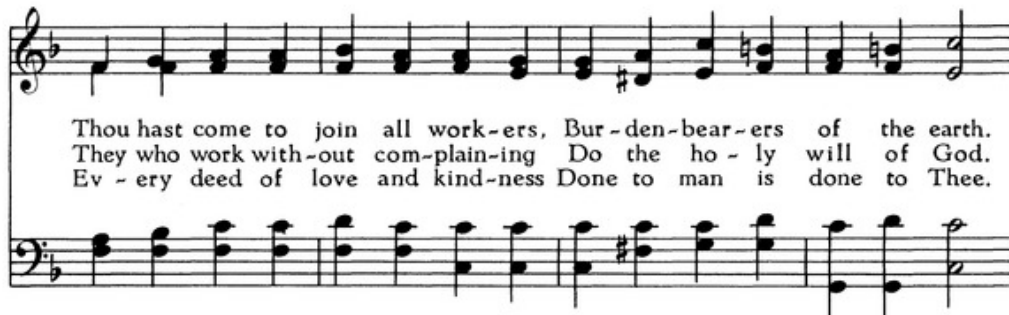
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HENRY VAN DYKE, 1909

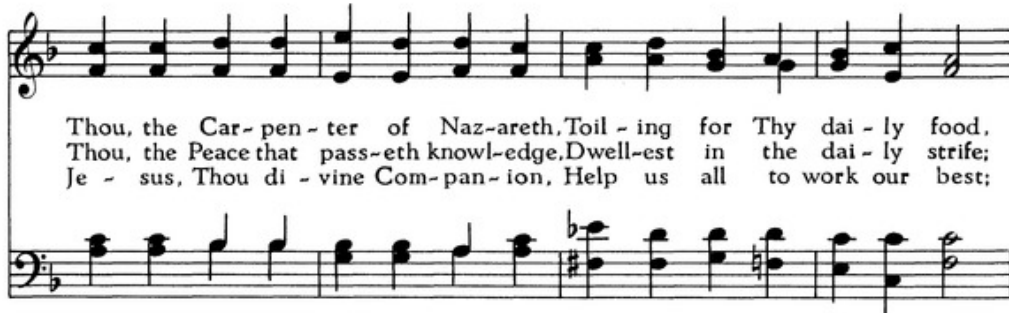
GEORGE F. LEJEUNE, 1872



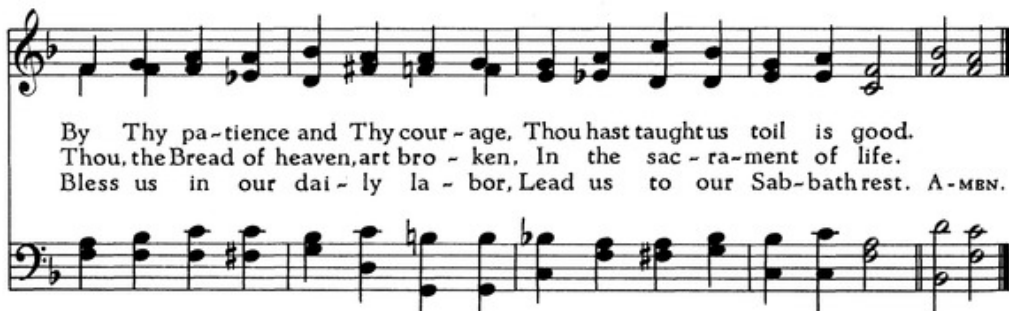
1. Je - sus, Thou di - vine Com-pan-ion, By Thy low - ly hu-man birth
2. They who tread the path of la - bor Fol - low where Thy feet have trod;
3. Ev - ery task, how - ev - er sim-ple, Sets the soul that does it free;



Thou hast come to join all work-ers, Bur-den-bear-ers of the earth.
They who work with-out com-plain-ing Do the ho - ly will of God.
Ev - ery deed of love and kind-ness Done to man is done to Thee.



Thou, the Car-pen-ter of Naz-areth, Toil-ing for Thy dai - ly food,
Thou, the Peace that pass-eth knowl-edge, Dwell-est in the dai - ly strife;
Je - sus, Thou di - vine Com-pan-ion, Help us all to work our best;



By Thy pa-tience and Thy cour-age, Thou hast taught us toil is good.
Thou, the Bread of heaven, art bro - ken, In the sac - ra-ment of life.
Bless us in our dai - ly la - bor, Lead us to our Sab-bath rest. A - MEN.