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DARE TO BE A DISCIPLE

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Welcome to CAPC Oakland ONLINE!

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.

We usually celebrate in person, but cannot during this season of COVID-19. So instead we're worshipping together via ZOOM. While imperfect, and something that we'll get better at each time we gather remotely, it will allow us to gather together even in observing social distancing. We can't do coffee hour but you can call or connect with someone else by phone to share a moment together after worship.

CHILDREN

We don't have a quiet play area or Godly Play for kids via ZOOM – but we do have online coloring sheets, activities and even recorded Godly Play Stories that you can access 24/7 online at our website at http://www.capcoakland.org/w orshiponthego

PRAYER CARDS

We can't do prayer cards but we can do live chat on ZOOM while we meet. Rev. Karl Shadley is being our digital Deacon who will responds to any chats during the service. Look for the chat box in the lower right hand corner of your ZOOM screen.

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GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD VIA ZOOM

GATHERING SONG "Just A Closer Walk with Thee"

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF PRAISE "Thy Word"

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

LISTENING TO SCRIPTURE James 1:19-27

NAMING THE HOPE WE HEAR IN SCRIPTURE - Richard Harvey

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SONG OF RESPONSE "Dig a Little Deeper"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER - Deacon Myrna Shadley You can share your prayer requests for the good and the new using the Chat function on Zoom.Call and response liturgically prayed at the conclusion of sharing a prayer

Leader: God, in your mercy. **People: Hear our prayer.**

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

COLLECTION OF OUR OFFERINGS AND GIFTS

SUNG RESPONSE "I saw the Light"

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)

In the season of COVID-19 you're invited to pass the peace of God however and to whoever you can this day as we live our lives of disciples of Jesus sheltering-in-place, as an living sign of the Dominion of God at work moving us toward the healing transformation of the world.

James 1:19-27

¹⁹ You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; ²⁰ for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. ²¹ Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls.

²² But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. ²³ For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; ²⁴ for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. ²⁵ But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.

²⁶ If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. ²⁷ Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

QUESTIONS FOR THE PRACTICE OF EXAMEN & CONTEMPLATION

- What grabs you in the story of this parable?
- How do you feel like the world is ending?
- How do you experience loving others as loving Christ?
- What word of hope, grace and/or exhortation do you hear in this parable?

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 Betty Trowbridge
7 Michael Mendonca
9 Diana Geary
23 Karl Shadley
3 Mercy Beatty
8 Monte McClain
11 Linda Davis
28 Lisa Ko

Coffee Hour Today - Call someone else up, catch-up, check in from wherever you may be.

WEEKLY CALENDAR DURING THE PANDEMIC

Daily Zoom Calls - every day at 12pm.

Community Care Package Team Meeting Monday at 1:00pm on Zoom

Race Matters– we taking a break while Monte is on vacation. Stay tuned for more info.

Friday Night Meal Next Friday, October 2nd | 6-7pm on the sidewalk at church. We need help with serving & set-up. Contact Monte if you can help!

Women's Group - Saturday Mornings on Zoom. Contact Anne Marie Adams for info about joining - amadams44@gmail.com

Tamales por Oakland – Order tamales from our Primera Iglesia partners to help them work and you enjoy a great meal! www.capcoakland.org

Godly Play – Sundays from 9:45-10:25 on Zoom. New address! Check the weekly newsletter for the link. Or look online on our website at www.capcoakland.org/zoom-worship-virtual-gatherings

Monte will be on vacation 9/14-27

Thank you to this Week's Leadership:

Deacon Liturgist: Myrna Shadley Chat Master: Karl Shadley Godly Play: Beth Beatty

Music: Pete Feltman & Andre Schoch

Sharing: Richard Harvey

What Bible story, verse or character gives you hope? Share it with Monte that we can use it to structure our worship in the coming weeks. It might just be a word that someone else needs to here in these pandemic days!

LYRICS & WRITTEN RESPONSES FOR TODAY'S CELEBRATION GATHERING

"Just A Closer Walk with Thee"

Anonymous

I am weak but thou art strong
 Jesus, keep me from all wrong
 I'll be satisfied as long
 As a I walk, let me walk close to Thee

chorus

Just a closer a walk with Thee Grant it Jesus is my plea Daily walking close to Thee Let it be, dear Lord, let it be

Through this world of toil and snares
 If I falter, Lord who cares?
 Who with my my burden shares?
 None but Thee, dear Lord, none but Thee

chorus

3. When my feeble life is over Time for me will be no more Guide me gently safely o'er To Thy shore, dear Lord, to Thy shore

chorus

Call To Worship Responsive Readings

(Proverbs 22:2, 9; Psalm 125:1-2, 4; James 2:5) **The PEOPLE read the BOLD print**

One Those who trust in God are like the mountains, immovable and abiding.

ALL: God shelters the people: today and for eternity.

One: Rich or poor, God creates us to pursue justice and to care for one another.

ALL: Be a blessing, O God, to those who are good and upright in heart.

One: God calls us to be rich in faith, to honor our heritage as heirs of the Kingdom.

ALL: We are blessed when we share our blessings, that peace may be upon the people.

"Thy Word"

Amy Grant & Michael W. Smith © 1984, Meadowgreen Music Co.

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path Thy word is a lamp unto my feet And a light unto my path

When I feel afraid and I think I've lost my way Still you're there right beside me Nothing will I fear as long as you are near Please be near me to the end

Chorus

I will not forget, Your love for me and yet My heart forever is wandering Jesus be my guide, and hold me to Your side I will love You to the end

"Dig a Little Deeper"

Lyricist: Kenneth Morris

1. I want to dig a little deeper in the storehouse of God's love, eternal love I hope to shine and love sublime I want to dig a little deeper in the storehouse of God's love, eternal love

chorus

I want to dig a little deeper in God's love I gotta Dig a little deeper down in God's love I wanna Dig a little deeper in the storehouse of his love, eternal love

- 2. I want to talk a little moment like Jesus would I wanna walk just like a good Christian should I wanna dig a little deeper in the storehouse of his love, eternal love
- 3. I want to do what's always true I want to dig a little deeper in the storehouse of his love, eternal love Each passing hour, I want more power I want to dig a little deeper in the storehouse of his love, eternal love

chorus

"I Saw the Light"

Hank Williams

1. I wandered so aimless life filled with sin I wouldn't let my dear Savior in Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night Praise the Lord I saw the light

chorus

I saw the light I saw the light No more darkness no more night Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

2. Just like a blind man I wandered along Worries and fears I claimed for my own Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

Chorus

3. I was a fool to wander and stray Straight is the gate and narrow the way Now I have traded the wrong for the right Praise the Lord I saw the light

Chorus

4. God give me wisdom when I walk this path Show me the right way to love and to laugh I cant walk without you sharing my plight Praise the lord I saw the light chorus