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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 HYMN

"Come Ye Sinners Poor And Needy"

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CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF PRAISE

"Give Me Jesus "

- insert

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

SUNG PRAYER OF REPENTANCE

"I Surrender All"

- 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

"Spirit Of God Descend Upon My Heart"

- insert

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 2:4-10

- Myrna Shadley
p. 1176

SERMON

"Possessed"

- Rev. Dr. Karl Shadley

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Alleluia The Great Storm Is Over"

- insert

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

"Salam almasih" | "المسيح سلام"

- 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 at work towards the healing transformation of the world.

Thoughts on Today's Scripture

1 Peter 2:4-10

AN INTRODUCTION TO 1 PETER

1 Peter gives persecuted Christians a powerful reminder that they have hope in the midst of their suffering. From the time of Abraham, God's people were a misunderstood minority and should expect to face hostility because they live under King Jesus' rule.



• GOD'S PEOPLE ARE A MISUNDERSTOOD MINORITY, LIVING UNDER THE RULE OF A DIFFERENT KING.
• PERSECUTION OFFERS A CHANCE TO SHOW OTHERS THE GENEROUS LOVE OF JESUS.

However, they are chosen by God, and their persecution is actually a gift because it offers them a chance to show others the surprising generosity and love of Jesus, which is fueled by hope in His return and victory over evil. Peter is hopeful that their imitation of Jesus and demonstration of His upside-down kingdom, which includes baptism and service, will give power to their words as they bear witness to God's mercy and show people the beautiful truth about Jesus.

SOME OF THE MAJOR THEMES OF THE LETTER

Suffering Believers - 1 Peter reminds suffering readers that they are God's chosen people, who like Abraham, are exiled. These Old Testament themes are repeated throughout the book.

Poetic Song of Praise - Peter praises God, who caused people to be born again into a new family with a living hope through Jesus' resurrection and the Spirit's power.

A New Family Identity - Old Testament images of Israel are applied to New Testament Gentile Christians, which places their suffering within a brand-new story of redemption and hope.

Suffering As a Witness - Persecution brings clarity to the believer's mission, which is to imitate Jesus and bear witness to God's mercy and upside-down kingdom in the world.

Suffering and Hope - Believers can be grateful they are persecuted for Jesus' sake. They hope that He will one day return and have the ultimate victory over evil.

Taken from the Bible Project at <https://thebibleproject.com/explore/1-peter>

Questions for the practice of Examen & Contemplation

- **What grabs your attention in this reading?**
- **How have you experienced following the person and teachings of Jesus to be both a stone upon which you can build your life, and one upon which some may stumble and fall? What does that mean?**
- **What does it mean (and not mean) to be a holy (or chosen) people by faith in Christ, in 2018 America?**
- **Are we (you) persecuted for your faith? If so why? Is it because of how you live your faith in the public square? How does that intersect our identity as a chosen people?**

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

MAY BIRTHDAYS

1 Biruta Vinerts 15 Richard Harvey
18 Marge Harvey 23 Rebecca LaMotte
27 Paulette Leston 31 Avery Haynes 2008

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Practice: Sunday 12-1; Tuesday 5:30-6:30

Nacho Fundraiser for Summer Camp – Thank you for your donations last week. Together we raised \$665.25 to help offset the price of summer camp at Westminster Woods for children that need a bit of help. You can still give! Label your gift “Campership Help” Thanks to Elaine Price for organizing this!

Mission Sharing about Rwanda – We heard about the ways in which our community contributed to ongoing work of racial reconciliation and wholeness in Rwanda through gifts of money, the giving of cows and the ministries Beth, Bill and Louise witnessed. You can still give to this ongoing mission work. Be sure to label your check with “Rwanda”.

No Youth Group tonight

Card Ministry: Find pre-addressed stamped cards to send to others on the back wall.

Teaching ESL Classes – Mondays 7-9pm at Primera Iglesia 1940 High St 94601. Sign up to help! **There is no class this week because of the Holiday.**

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

The Vocabulary of Faith | Sundays 9:30-10:20am, pick up the study sheet of the text in the entry or online at www.capcoakland.org

Friday Night Meal Fridays 6-7pm

Pentecost Art. Our own Barbara Epstein-Eagle created an art piece portraying the energy of Pentecost. You can pick up a copy in the front of the sanctuary today!

Thank you to today's Leadership

Reader: Myrna Shadley
Fellowship: Sharon Nelson, Anne Marie Adams
Godly Play: Linda Davis (ST); Emma Fleming (DK)
Preaching: Rev. Karl Shadley

Leadership for next week, 6/3/18:

Reader: Bob Brylawski
Fellowship: Gary Yee; Patt Schroeder
Godly Play: Children Stay in Worship
Communion in worship. Last week on Revelation

LYRICS & WRITTEN RESPONSES FOR TODAY'S WORSHIP

"Come Ye Sinners Poor And Needy"

Refrain: anonymous; Stanzas: Joseph Hart (1759)

1 Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you,
full of pity, love, and power.

Refrain:

I will arise and go to Jesus;
he will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O there are ten thousand charms.

2 Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome;
God's free bounty glorify,
true belief and true repentance,
every grace that brings you nigh.

3 Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
lost and ruined by the fall;
if you tarry till you're better,
you will never come at all.

4 Let not conscience make you linger,
nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness he requireth
is to feel your need of him.

CALL TO WORSHIP

*A portion of Psalm 31 The congregation responds with **the text in BOLD PRINT**. Today's reading comes from www.ministrymatters.com A prayer for help in a moment of desperation & persecution.*

One: In you, Lord, I have taken refuge.

ALL: Let me never be put to shame.

One: Deliver me in your righteousness.

ALL: Turn your ear to me.

One: Come quickly to my rescue.

**ALL: Be my rock of refuge,
a strong fortress to save me.**

One: Since you are my rock and my fortress,
lead and guide me,
for the sake of your name.

**ALL: Let your face shine upon your servant.
Save me in your unfailing love!**

"Give Me Jesus"

*Afro-American spiritual
Lift Up Your Hearts, #423*

1. In the morning when I rise,
in the morning when I rise,
In the morning when I rise
Give me Jesus

chorus

Give me Jesus

Give me Jesus

You can have all the rest

But give me Jesus

2. My mother used to say,

3. Dark midnight was my cry,

4. And when I'm about to die,

"I Surrender All"

Judson W. Van De Venter, 1855-1939

2 All to Jesus I surrender
Humbly at his feet I bow
Worldly pleasures all forsaken,
Take me Jesus take me now

Refrain:

I surrender all, (I surrender all)

I surrender all. (I surrender all)

All to Thee, my blessed Savior,

I surrender all.

"Spirit of God, Descend Upon my Heart"

George Croly (1854) | Blue Hymnal #326

2. Hast Thou not bid us love Thee, God and King;
All, all Thine own: soul, heart, and strength and mind?
I see Thy cross; there teach my heart to cling.
O let me seek Thee, and O let me find!

Prayer of Confession

Lord of abiding Love and infinite Patience,
be with us this day.

We have come from times of stress, difficulties,
as well as times of hope and joy.

We bring to you our concerns and our fears,
and you offer your healing mercies.

We confess that we may have not really thought a
whole lot about you this week.

We have let events and demands crowd you out
of our thoughts and our actions;

yet when we come to this, your house,
we again kneel in committed love and devotion,
seeking your forgiveness for the spaces in which
we remain blind and apathetic.

Turn our lives around, Lord.

Help us look again at the many ways in which you
bless and care for us.

Help us to see the people around us, as you look
upon us, that we might reach out to others in
loving compassion.

For we ask these things in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

"Alleluia The Great Storm Is Over"

Author: Bob Franke

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CHORUS:

Alleluia, the great storm is over

Lift up your wings and fly

Alleluia, the great storm is over,

lift up your wings and fly

1. Thunder and lightning gave voice to the night

The little lame child cried out in her fright

Hush little baby, a story I'll tell

Of a love that has vanquished

The powers of hell

2. Sweetness in the air and justice on the wind

Laughter in the house where the mourners have been

The dead shall have music and the blind have new eyes

The standards of death taken down by surprise

3. Release for the captives, an end to the wars

New springs in the desert, new hope for the poor

The little lame children will dance as they sing

And play with the bears and lions in spring

4. Hush little baby, let go of your fear

The Lord loves his own and your mother is here

The child fell asleep as the lantern did burn

The mother sang on 'till her bridegroom's return

1 In the morn-ing when I rise, in the morn-ing when I
 2 Dark_ mid-night was my cry, dark_ mid-night was my
 3 Just a - bout the break of day, just a - bout the break of
 4 Oh, when I come to die, oh, when I come to

4 rise, in the morn-ing when I rise, give me Je - sus.
 cry, dark_ mid-night was my cry, give me Je - sus.
 day, just a - bout the break of day, give me Je - sus.
 die, oh, when I come to die, give me Je - sus.

Refrain
 Give me Je - sus, give me Je - sus; you may

13 have all this world; give me Je - - sus.

Let Us Praise You 423
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...there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers... who will not get back very much more in this age.
 Luke 18:29-30

1. All I to Je - sus I sur - ren - der,
 I will ev - er and trust Him,
 2. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der,
 I ly pleas - ures for - sak - en,
 3. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der,
 I me with Thy Ho - ly Spir - it -
 4. All to Je - sus I sur - ren - der,
 I me with Thy love and pow - er,

All to Him I free - ly give;
 In His pres - ence dai - ly live.
 Hum - bly at His feet I bow;
 Take me, Je - sus, now.
 Make Sav - ior, whol - ly Thine;
 True - ly know that Thou art mine.
 Lord, I give my - self to Thee;
 Let Thy bless - ings fall on me.

I sur-ren-der all, I sur-ren-der all.

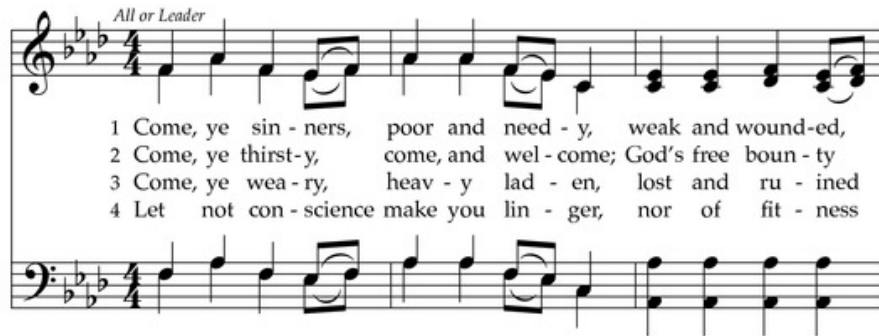
I sur-ren-der all, I sur-ren-der all.

All to Thee, my bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur-ren - der all.

Text: Judson W. Van De Venter, 1855-1939
 Tune: SURRENDER, 8 7 8 7 with refrain: Winfield S. Weedon, 1847-1908

415 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

All or Leader

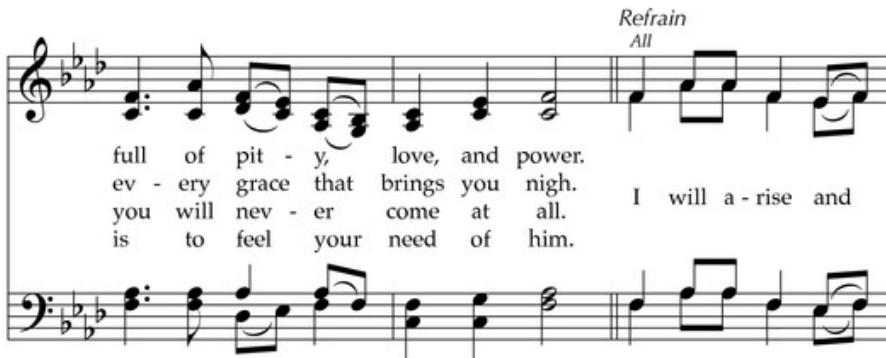


1 Come, ye sin - ners, poor and need - y, weak and wound - ed,
 2 Come, ye thirst - y, come, and wel - come; God's free boun - ty
 3 Come, ye wea - ry, heav - y lad - en, lost and ru - ined
 4 Let not con - science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness

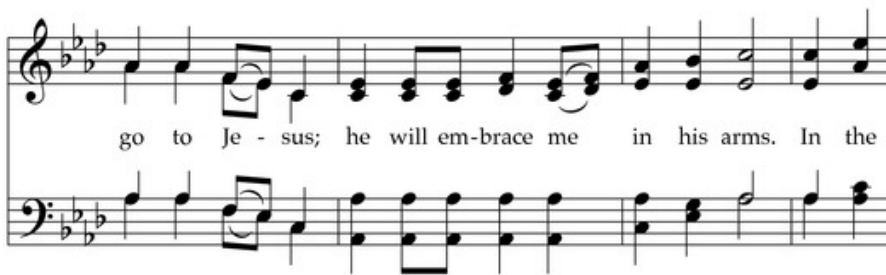


sick and sore; Je - sus read - y stands to save you,
 glo - ri - fy, true be - lief and true re - pen - tance,
 by the fall; if you tar - ry till you're bet - ter,
 fond - ly dream; all the fit - ness he re - quir - eth

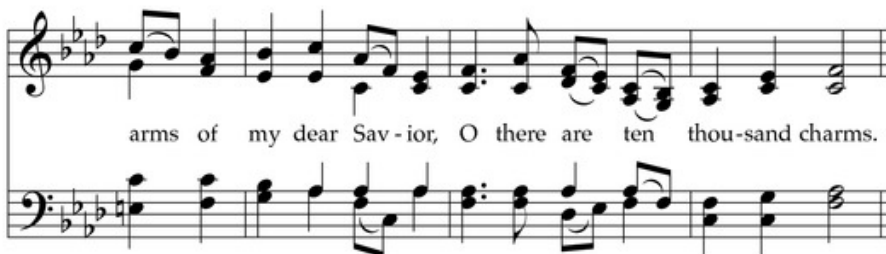
Refrain
All



full of pit - y, love, and power.
 ev - ery grace that brings you nigh. I will a - rise and
 you will nev - er come at all.
 is to feel your need of him.



go to Je - sus; he will em - brace me in his arms. In the



arms of my dear Sav - ior, O there are ten thou - sand charms.

The differing voices of this text indicate that its parts were not created together. The stanzas are cast in the voice of a preacher or exhorter, but the refrain (added later) takes the voice of a penitent heeding that call in language like that of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:18).