
Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church

8:00 am and 10:45 am

25TH Sunday after Pentecost

November 11, 2018

*You are welcome to stand as you are able. **Congregational parts in bold.**

CENTERING MUSIC

Please ponder this quote in your meditations as you prepare and center yourself for worship:

Every great dream begins with a dreamer.

*Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience,
and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.* By, Harriet Tubman

WELCOME

Liturgists: 8:00 am- Jessie G, Student Intern
10:45 am- Rev. Christal B (retired)

- Please take a moment to register your presence on the Fellowship Pad. You are asked to list each individual attending with you separately and all contact information.
- If you are visiting us this morning, WELCOME! We encourage you to let us know by raising your hand, when invited by the liturgist at the beginning of the service. We will bring you a visitor gift bag. In that bag, you will find a heart pin representing God's LOVE and information about the life and ministries of Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church. Please come again soon!
- Everyone is welcome to check out our Events Pillar in the room just outside this sanctuary.
- Prayer cards are in the chair racks in the Sanctuary. If you have a specific prayer, joy or concern, you are invited to write it out and place the cards in the offering plate later in the service.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jessie G, Student Intern (8:00 & 10:45 am)

L: Let your minds ponder the manifold works of God.
Let your spirits soar amid the wonders of creation.

P: There is pulsating life all around us.

The earth is full of God's creatures.

L: Sun and rain proclaim God's infinite imagination.
Moon and stars sing the glory of the Eternal One.

P: It is God who shares with us wisdom and understanding.

We depend on God for the gift of life.

L: We gather to worship and praise the God of all people.
We come to learn from the God we only dimly perceive.

P: We reach out for answers to our questions

We long to find meaning and purpose for our days.

*OPENING SONG

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Red Hymnal pg. 126

*OPENING PRAYER

Jessie G, Student Intern (8:00 & 10:45 am)

Source of all things, how can we approach glory so vast that all space and time is surrounded by you? We cannot comprehend the marvels of the earth. How shall we honor your majesty? You are so unknowable, yet evidence of your work is on every hand. The mystery of life in all its many forms, the discoveries we are allowed to make, the sweep of knowledge entrusted to our use, the amazing resources of this planet – all speak of a God who cares, who honors us, who provides for our salvation. Let this time of meeting honor you and equip us to do your work. Amen.

A MESSAGE FOR EVERY AGE 10:45 am

Jessie G, Student Intern

L: And Jesus Said . . .

All: Let the Children come!

VETERANS LITURGY

(see insert)

SONG FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 42

Red Hymnal pg. 777-778

ANTHEM 10:45 am

Yes, He Did

Altar Choir

GOSPEL READING

Mark 9:33-37

42/45

L: A word for God's people

New Testament/Pew Bible

P: Thanks be to God

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE

Romans 12:9-21

151/162

New Testament/Pew Bible

MESSAGE

The "BG's"

Pastor Wendee Nitz

SONG OF PRAYER

The Summons

Black Hymnal pg. 2130

SILENT PRAYER and PRAYERS FOR ONE VOICE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins*, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*(*may also say trespasses or debts)*

SHARING OUR GIFTS

*SONG OF PRAISE (sung)

Red Hymnal pg. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia!
Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*WE SAY THANK YOU TOGETHER

Jessie G, Student Intern (8:00 & 10:45 am)

We give with joy, loving God, in thanks for all you have helped us experience. By your love, we have survived and learned and grown. We dedicate these gifts that more people may be brought to the feet of Jesus, who is the eternal source of salvation. Equip us to be an inviting, caring community in which all your people find a genuine welcome and are lifted up to new understanding and joy. Amen.

*CLOSING SONG

Let Us Now Depart in Thy Peace Red Hymnal pg. 668, sing twice

*A GOOD WORD AS WE GO OUT

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 10:45 am *May the Lord Bless and Keep You*

Altar Choir

*CLOSING MUSIC

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No matter where you are on your journey, ALL are welcome here.

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Veterans Day



Mission Statement: Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church is a Christian fellowship whose mission is to: worship God, love and serve all people, grow in faith and invite others to become disciples of Jesus Christ.

Veterans Liturgy

L: God of love, peace and justice, it is your will for the world that we may live together in peace. You have promised through the prophet Isaiah that one day the swords will be beaten into ploughshares. Yet we live in a broken world, and there are times that war seems inevitable. Let us recognize with humility and sadness the tragic loss of life that comes in war. Even so, as we gather here free from persecution, we may give thanks for those that have served with courage and honor.

Please Rise: Those that are in our presence that are either in active duty or reserve duty rise one at a time per service (Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Navy) and then the fathers, mothers, siblings, spouses and grandparents of those that are currently serving.

P: God, we praise you for those that are willing to serve. Let all Airmen, Soldiers, Coast Guardsmen, Marines, and Sailors serve with honor, pride, and compassion. Do not let their hearts be hardened by the actions they must take. Strengthen their families. Keep them surrounded in your love and peace.

Please Rise: Those that are in our presence that have served in the military in the past (again one group at a time (Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Navy).

P: God, we praise you for those that have served in the military. We thank you for those that put the welfare of others ahead of their own safety. Let us all be inspired by their self-sacrifice in service to those who needed protection.

Please Rise: Those that are in our presence who have lost a loved one in war.

P: God, we praise you for those that have made the ultimate sacrifice. We ask that you comfort those that still feel the pain of their loss. Keep us mindful that you have promised to comfort those that mourn.

Please Rise: Those who have gathered in your name in safety because of the sacrifices of others. (Everyone, please stand as you are able.)

P: God, we praise you for granting us these freedoms. Let us honor those who have served by working for peace. Let us never forget those that have served, and let us never let go of your promise of peace.