

---

## Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church

8:00 am and 10:45 am

The Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 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:*

*Revival is here; the Spirit is being poured out like never before. People are being healed, and large numbers of unbelievers are coming to Christ. (Our) church can either batten down the hatches and teeter along in the same, tame, way or (we) can throw open the doors and windows and cry, "Come, Holy Spirit! As you did in the book of Acts, do it again!"*

By: Dr. Terry Teykl, from Acts 29: Fifty Days of Prayer to Invite the Holy Spirit, Pg. 13

### WELCOME

Liturgists: 8:00 am- Michelle P /10:45 am- Carol S

*(Please take a moment to register your presence on the Fellowship Pad. Please list each individual attending with you separately and all contact information. If you are visiting us this morning, we encourage you to pick up a visitor bag on the Welcome Pillar banner located by the visitor sign-in book and check out our Events Pillar also. Prayer cards are in the chair racks in the Sanctuary. Please place the cards in the offering plate later in the service.)*

### INTROIT 8:00 am

Altar Choir

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God has set apart those who are faithful  
Our Creator will hear us when we call.

**P: God puts gladness in our hearts and minds.  
We will lie down in safety and sleep in peace.**

L: Beloved, we are God's children now.  
What we will be has not yet been revealed.

**P: We are here to remember Jesus Christ.  
We want to be like the One who lived by love.**

L: Our faith strengthens us for each day's living.  
God empowers our ministries of caring.

**P: We trust God whose children we are.  
We look forward to what God will reveal to us.**

### \*OPENING SONG

*I Come with Joy*

*Red Hymnal pg. 617,  
Verses 1, 2, 4, & 5*

### \*OPENING PRAYER

**God of our ancestors, author of life, source of Easter good news, we are drawn together again by the mystery of life and death. We call on you, so far beyond our knowing, with a mixture of faith and doubt. Let your face shine on us as we put our trust in you. Draw together the fragments of our busy lives around the central core of love which you provide, that we might relate to one another as whole people. Grant us a fuller sense of what is right and good, and help us to live at our best. Amen.**

### A MESSAGE FOR EVERY AGE 10:45 am

L: And Jesus Said . . .

**All: Let the Children come!**

### NEW MEMBERS

Jenny S, Nathan & Andrew

*(see insert)*

### SONG FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 4

*Red Hymnal pg. 741*

### ANTHEM 8:00 am

Altar Choir

### CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE

Acts 3:1-10

112/120

*New Testament/Pew Bible*

### CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE

Acts 3:11-26

113/120

*New Testament/Pew Bible*

L: A word for God's people

**P: Thanks be to God**

### MESSAGE

*Come, Holy Spirit, Come!*

Pastor Wendee Nitz

### SONG OF PRAYER

*Grace Alone*

*Black Hymnal pg. 2162*

### 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

**We give with joy, gracious God, for you have been with us even when we were unfaithful.  
You have kept us in safety through times of grave distress. We can call on you in all times  
and places, in life and in death, knowing that your strength is available to sustain us. We give  
now that your church may be empowered in the proclamation of good news and the  
transformation of human life. Amen.**

\*CLOSING SONG

*Go Forth for God*

*Red Hymnal pg. 670*

\*A GOOD WORD AS WE GO OUT

\*CLOSING MUSIC

Resources:

*Acts 29: Fifty Days of Prayer to Invite the Holy Spirit*, by Dr. Terry Teykl

*Led By Love: Worship Resources for Year B*, by, Lavon Bayler

---

### **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.

---

Phone: (414) 762-4600 / Email: [office@occumc.org](mailto:office@occumc.org) or [pastor@occumc.org](mailto:pastor@occumc.org)

Website: <http://www.occumc.org> / Newsletter Editor: [office@occumc.org](mailto:office@occumc.org)

Find us on Facebook! [facebook.com/occumc](https://www.facebook.com/occumc)

---

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



***Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church***

April 15, 2018