
Oak Creek Community United Methodist Church

9:00 am

The Third Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2020

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

CENTERING MUSIC

(As you feel led, please sing along.)

WELCOME

Liturgist: Jillian I.

- Please register your presence on the Fellowship Pad. List each person attending with you and give your 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!
- 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

L: Come away and rest for a while.

Leave behind your busyness to be fully present to God.

P: We have come for relief from life's turmoil.

God gathers us as a shepherd gathers her sheep.

L: God's steadfast love surrounds us here.

We are reminded of God's enduring faithfulness.

P: This is God's house, and we are God's children.

God invites us to feel at home in this place.

L: We have a covenant with our Creator.

This is a time for renewal of our promises.

P: God calls for righteousness and justice.

God offers us goodness and mercy all our days.

*OPENING SONG

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

Red Hymnal pg. 662

*OPENING PRAYER

Rock of our salvation, we have accepted the invitation of Jesus to gather as your beloved people. We have been far away from you in our thoughts and separated from you in much that we do. Now we are together, seeking reconciliation with you and one another. We call on your steadfast love for assurance and healing. We feel your compassion for us and for all your children. We sense your longing for our wholeness and renewed faith and trust. You call us to be saints and apostles and prophets. We are overwhelmed, even as you draw us close. Amen.

A MESSAGE FOR EVERY AGE

L: And Jesus Said . . .

All: Let the Children come!

CAMPING SUNDAY CELEBRATION

Megan F.

SONG FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 33

Red Hymnal pg. 767-768

ANTHEM

I'll Carry the Cross of Jesus

Altar Choir

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE

Philippians 4:15-23

Pew Bible pg. 199

New Testament

GOSPEL READING

Mark 6:30-44

Pew Bible pg. 41

L: A word for God's people

New Testament

P: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE

The Miracle of Abundance

Pastor Wendee Nitz

SONG OF PRAYER

God Will Take Care of You

Red Hymnal pg. 130

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)*

*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

**Receive our best, gracious God, as we offer ourselves along with these tokens of
thanks. Establish your rule in our midst so we may proclaim your reign in the
world. Send us where you need us most. Use our gifts to reduce alienation and
to build community. Be to us a watchful Parent, and teach us to live as siblings
who find you in one another and respond in love to each other's needs. Amen.**

*CLOSING SONG

Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

Black Hymnal pg. 2234

*A GOOD WORD AS WE GO OUT

*CLOSING MUSIC

Please stay for Fellowship in Doyle Hall immediately following the service.

Resources:

Gathered By Love, by Lavon Bayler

Inside the Miracles of Jesus, by Jessica La Grone

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

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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.