

*We are a joyful, inclusive, compassionate community of faith  
seeking to do justice, act mercifully, and walk humbly with our God.  
Loving God...Changing Lives*



**OAK GROVE**  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**May 17, 2020**

**6th Sunday of Easter**

**10:45 AM**

**We Assemble in God's Name**

Thought to Ponder “The world is too dangerous for anything but truth and  
too small for anything but love.” — *William Sloane Coffin*

**Prelude** Nancy Hauser

**Welcome and Announcements** Mary Koon

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Call to Worship** (*based on Psalm 66*) Becky Dop

One: Take a look at God's wonders – they will take your breath away!

**All: Let us praise God, who created the world!**

One: God set us on the road of life and promises never to abandon us.

**All: Let us give thanks to God, who gives us life.**

One: God listens to our prayers, the longing of our hearts.

**All: Let us worship God who is faithful and true!**

**Opening Hymn No. 32** “I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

<sup>1</sup>I sing the mighty power of God  
that made the mountains rise,  
that spread the flowing seas abroad  
and built the lofty skies.  
I sing the wisdom that ordained  
the sun to rule the day.  
The moon shines full  
at God's command,  
and all the stars obey.

<sup>2</sup>I sing the goodness of the Lord  
who filled the earth with food.  
God formed the creatures  
through the Word,  
and then pronounced them good.  
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed,  
where'er I turn my eye,  
if I survey the ground I tread,  
or gaze upon the sky!

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<sup>3</sup>There's not a plant or flower below  
but makes thy glories known.  
And clouds arise, and tempests blow,  
by order from thy throne,  
while all that borrows life from thee  
is ever in thy care,  
and everywhere that we can be,  
thou, God, art present there.

Opening Prayer

Becky Dop

God of grace, by your Spirit, may we begin our day with trust, knowing that you hold this world in your tender embrace. Give us patience as we remain apart. Fill us with compassion for your people and our earth, that we might radiate your light. In Christ's holy name we pray, AMEN

### We Hear God's Word

Children's Time

Anne Fisher

Sending Song

"Near or Far"

J McKinnon

Near or far apart,  
You're always in my heart.  
God's love is here to stay,  
Close and far away.

Resting in God's peace,  
Praying for God's hope,  
Serving God's joy,  
United in God's love.

Special Music

"Spirit Wings"

Cloninger/Foster

Scripture

John 14:15-21

Mary Koon

Sermon

"Looks Like Love"

Mary Koon

### We Respond to God's Word

Prayers of the People / Lord's Prayer

Anne Fisher

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen

**Offering of Our Lives**

Anne Fisher

**Offering Music**

“Hymn Medley”

*arr. Johnson*

**Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Becky Dop

**Generous God, we offer You our lives, our time, our service, our treasures. Use these in ways that are life giving to both giver and receiver. Fill us with a sense of your peace and presence as we are apart. We are Yours! AMEN.**

**We Remain (in place) in God’s Name**

**Closing Hymn No. 543 (vss 1, 4, 5)**

“God be the Love”

**<sup>1</sup>God, be the love to search  
and keep me;  
God, be the prayer to move my voice;  
God, be the strength to now  
uphold me:  
O Christ, surround me;  
O Christ, surround me.**

**<sup>4</sup>Walking behind to hem my journey,  
going ahead to light my way,  
and from beneath, above,  
and all ways:  
O Christ, surround me;  
O Christ, surround me.**

**<sup>5</sup>Christ in the eyes of all who see me,  
Christ in the ears that hear my voice,  
Christ in the hearts of all who know me:  
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.**

**Benediction**

Mary Koon

**Benediction Response**

“Praise Ye the Lord”

**Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord.  
Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord.  
Praise ye the Lord, Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord, Alleluia!  
Praise ye the Lord, Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord!**

**Postlude**

Nancy Hauser

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Additional participants in worship today include:  
Vocalist, **Becky Dop**; Accompanist: **Judy Cooper**;  
Sound, Light, Video, **Mac Davis** and **Greg Johnson**.

**Chancel flowers** are given by  
**Jim & Bev Carroll** in *memory of Joan Carroll and George Haertel*;  
and by **Paula & David Johnson** in *honor of Josh & Ashley Johnson*.

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**The Pentecost Offering, Nurturing the Faith of Those Who are the Church to Come**

is one of our four denominational offerings held during the year. A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also addresses the needs of at-risk children. Forty percent of the Pentecost offering can be retained by individual congregations that want to make an impact in the lives of young people within their own communities. The remaining 60% is used to support at-risk children, youth, and young adults through ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. Please give generously to this offering and indicate by your check or giving method that it is for the Pentecost Offering. We will dedicate the offering on Pentecost, May 31, but we will receive offerings through the month of June.

**The Nominating Committee asks the congregation for suggestions** of members you would like us to consider for the Class of 2023 Elders and Deacons, as well as a one-year Youth Elder. To suggest a name for consideration, please follow this link to complete and submit a google form: <https://forms.gle/6cHumACwBKoAymDaA> or call the church (952-888-4621) and ask for Beth, if that is easier for you.

The 2020 Nominating Committee members are: Elders: Eugene Orr, Karen Alonzi; Deacons: David Johnson, Sandra Crum; At Large: Warren Christopherson, Carol Long, Judy Moynihan, Sarajane Myers, Paul Schalekamp and Vaughn Sheff.

**Reminder – Summer Schedule for Worship and Office!** We will begin our summer worship schedule **NEXT Sunday, May 24**. Our worship service will be **live-streamed at 9:30 am**. We will continue to offer virtual worship until COVID-19 restrictions lift and it is safe to be together in person again. The office remains closed for now; when we reopen, summer office hours will change to close at noon on Fridays. The office is also closed for the holiday on Monday, May 25.

**If you have a pastoral care need**, please contact us (952-888-4621 or [ogpc@oakgrv.org](mailto:ogpc@oakgrv.org)) to leave a message. We check for messages several times every day.

**For the protection and care of each other**, if you need to enter the church for any reason, **please bring and wear a mask**. If you do not have a mask, please let us know ([ogpc@oakgrv.org](mailto:ogpc@oakgrv.org) or 952-888-4621). If you are willing to make and/or donate masks to the church, please contact us.