

*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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July 26, 2020

9:30 AM

We Assemble in God's Name

Prelude Judy Cooper

Welcome and Announcements Anne Fisher

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to worship Dick Twete

One: God notices the smallest things,

All: Jesus tells us that God knows even when a sparrow falls

One: and we are of more value than a sparrow.

All: God knows us and loves us. Thanks be to God.

Opening Song No. 22 "God of the Sparrow"

¹God of the sparrow

God of the whale

God of the swirling stars

How does the creature say **Awe**

How does the creature say **Praise**

²God of the earthquake

God of the storm

God of the trumpet blast

How does the creature cry **Woe**

How does the creature cry **Save**

³God of the rainbow

God of the cross

God of the empty grave

How does the creature say **Grace**

How does the creature say **Thanks**

Opening Prayer Dick Twete

God you are love in motion: always breathing us into being, calling us to serve, sustaining us in our isolation. Come to us as we gather in our separate places. Soften what has grown dry and brittle in our hearts until we worship with abandon, for we pray in the name of the Son you sent and through the Spirit that gives us life. Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

Time for the Young and Young at Heart

Anne Fisher

Sacrament of Baptism of Gabriella Alicia and Isabella Renae Ham
granddaughters of Lizanne & Greg Ham.
Baptism Elder is Eugene Orr.

Congregational Response

Eugene Orr

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you, *Gabriella and Isabella*, into Christ's Church. We promise to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you, and to help you know and follow Christ.

Sending Song No. 486 "Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

**Child of blessing, child of promise,
baptized with the Spirit's sign,
with this water God has sealed you
unto love and grace divine.**

Special Music

"The Journey"

Clawson

Scripture

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Anne Fisher

Message

"Little Bits"

Anne Fisher

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Mary Koon

**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**

We Respond in God's Name

Invitation Offering Our Gifts and Selves to God

Mary Koon

Offering Music

"Go Light Your Candle"

Rice

Prayer of Dedication

Dick Twete

God receive us as we are. Gather our false starts and uncertain efforts, our generosity and our reluctance. Enliven us with your breath and make your purposes known, that our lives might show forth you glory, for we pray in the name of Jesus and by the power of your Spirit. Amen.

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Song No. 700

“I’m Gonna Live So God Can Use Me”

**¹I’m gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**I’m gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**²I’m gonna work so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**I’m gonna work so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**³I’m gonna pray so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**I’m gonna pray so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**⁴I’m gonna sing so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

**I’m gonna sing so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!**

Benediction

Anne Fisher

Response No. 766 “The Church of Christ Cannot be Bound”

**The church of Christ cannot be bound by walls of wood or stone.
Where charity and love are found there can the church be known.**

Postlude

Judy Cooper

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Additional participants in worship today include:
Hymn Leader & Soloist, **Becky Dop**;
Hymn Leaders, **Eugene Orr & Marilyn Twete**;
Sound, Light, Video, **Bob Gerdes** and **Greg Johnson**.

Chancel flowers are given by **Sue LaPointe** in *memory of
husband, Ron LaPointe (Pam and Lisa’s father).*

Virtual Coffee Hour — **Kylie Borchardt**, Youth friend of Oak Grove, will host our virtual coffee hour TODAY, July 26, at 10:45 am (following the worship service that begins at 9:30 am). Please zoom in to enjoy one another's company and catch up in a relaxed (virtual) way! Join Zoom Meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87524132630?pwd=UHpWb2NkdVN2b25OdCtFU2hldUpkdz09>. Use Meeting ID: 875 2413 2630 and Passcode: 616379.

Or dial in with your phone (audio only -- no video). Call 1-312-626-6799 and use Meeting ID: 875 2413 2630 and Passcode: 616379.

Summer Bible Study on Zoom -- Mary Pol leads a Parables Bible Study on Wednesdays in July at 2:30 pm. The next session is **Wednesday, July 29**. We welcome ALL to join in this time of sharing, learning and conversation. Mary is a skilled facilitator with a wonderful sense of humor!

Join the zoom meeting at (it will say that Pastor Anne is inviting you) <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2735774590?pwd=RUFJZWZORElxTk1aSjVxUjRGY3IiUT09>. Use meeting ID: 273 577 4590 Password: oakgrove

If you don't have a computer and would like to dial in by phone (audio only, no video), call 1-312-626-6799 and use meeting ID: 273 577 4590 and Password: 982163



The **Family Concert** planned for today at 3 pm is **cancelled**. Join us for the **Car Wash Family Party** on Saturday, August 22 from 10 am to Noon. Come have your car washed to support the Youth and enjoy a frozen treat while you wait. Watch for upcoming info.

We are looking for copies of *A Good Time for the Truth* (editor: Sun Yung Shin)! Women Who Lunch (*3rd Wednesday of each month at Noon*) will discuss the book *A Good Time for the Truth* at our September meeting. We know that a number of folks purchased the book for a group that took place several years ago. If you have a book you are willing to lend to a fellow church member, please let Mary know (952-888-4621 / mkoon@oakgrv.org). We will be sure to return your book or pass it along to another person to read!



The Church is Open for Prayer and Meditation -- We haven't had many taking advantage of this opportunity. The Sanctuary is open for individual prayer and meditation on **Thursdays from 10:00 am — 2:00 pm**. In order to keep it safe for you and others we ask you to call or email the church office (952-888-4621 or ogpc@oakgrv.org) to reserve your time in the sanctuary. We'll provide further instructions when you arrive (be sure to bring and wear your mask).