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seeking to do justice, act mercifully, and walk humbly with our God.
Loving God...Changing Lives*



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October 25, 2020

Reformation Sunday

10:45 AM

We Gather From Near and Far in God's Name

Prelude "Like a River Glorious" Handbell Choir
"Morning Joy"

Welcome and Announcements Anne Fisher

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship Jane Propsom

One: Sing to the Lord and Bless God's name.

All: Tell of God's magnificent power every day.

One: Worship God in holy splendor.

All: Tremble before God, all the earth.

Opening Song No. 275 "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

**¹ A mighty fortress is our God,
a bulwark never failing.
Our helper he, amid the flood
of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe
doth seek to work us woe.
His craft and power are great,
and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.**

**² Did we in our own strength confide,
our striving would be losing,
were not the right man on our side,
the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be?**

**Christ Jesus, it is he.
Lord Sabaoth his name,
from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.**

**⁴ That word above all earthly powers,
no thanks to them, abideth.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
this mortal life also.
The body they may kill;
God's truth abideth still.
His kingdom is forever.**

Opening Prayer

Jane Propsom

Holy God, you have made us in your image, and we belong to you alone. Therefore, we offer ourselves to you, in service, love and praise. Use us for the glory of your realm and the good of your people; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

We Listen For God's Word to Us

Time with Children

Mary Koon, Anne Fisher

Baptism of Dwyer James and Rory Patrick Smith

sons of Michael & Christine Smith

Assisting Elder: Jane Propsom

(unison) **With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you, Dwyer and Rory, 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. 482 "Baptized in Water"

³ Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King; Born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praises we sing.

Special Music

"Beach Spring"

Handbell Choir

Scripture

Matthew 22:15–22

Anne Fisher

Message

"Pop Quiz"

Anne Fisher

We Respond to God Calling Us

Prayers of the People

Anne Fisher

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Call to Offering

Anne Fisher

Offering Music

“It Is Well With My Soul”

Handbell Choir

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Jane Propsom

We give thanks O God for those in our past and present who have spoken truth to power and broken new ground. Help us to serve you in our thoughts and deeds. Accept our gifts for Your greater purpose. In Christ we pray, Amen.

We Go Forth in God’s Name

Closing Song No. 320 “The Church of Christ in Every Age”

**¹ The church of Christ in every age,
beset by change but Spirit-led,
must claim and test its heritage
and keep on rising from the dead.**

**⁵ We have no mission but to serve
in full obedience to our Lord:
to care for all, without reserve,
and spread Christ's liberating word.**

**² Across the world, across the street,
the victims of injustice cry
for shelter and for bread to eat,
and never live before they die.**

Benediction

Anne Fisher

Sending Song No. 291 “Spirit of Gentleness”

***Refrain:* Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness,
calling and free. Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,
wind, wind on the sea.**

**You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes; from the
bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams. Our elders see
visions; our youth clear their eyes. With bold new decisions,
your people arise. (*Refrain*)**

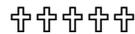
Postlude

“Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”

Handbell Choir



The white rose on the baptismal font commemorates the completion of Baptism for **Barbara Marie Hornnes** who joined the church triumphant October 17, 2020, “In Life and Death we belong to God.”



Additional participants in worship today include:
Handbell Choir: **Jane Propsom, Linda Johnson,
Nancy Scott and Carol Long;**
Accompanist: **Nancy Hauser;**
Sound, Light, Video: **Pierce Flanagan and Greg Johnson.**

Chancel flowers are given by **Diane Baumgartner**
in *honor and memory of her parents, Howard and Susan.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All Saints Sunday: Nov. 1

Next Sunday we will be celebrating All Saints and naming our members who have died in the previous year. If you have a loved one included who is not a member, please send the name and the birth and death dates to sjerset@oakgrv.org by Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, Nov. 1, at 2:00 am, so remember to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night!

Virtual Coffee Hour: Oct. 25–Dec. 27

Larry Klueh will host our virtual coffee hour Sundays at Noon. Please zoom in to enjoy one another's company and catch up in a relaxed (virtual) way! Join the Zoom meeting at: <https://bit.ly/3nTMrCr>. Use Meeting ID: 896 8075 0816 and Passcode: 323213. For audio only, call 1-312-626-6799 and use the ID and passcode.

Building a Movement to Stop Climate Change: Oct. 27

Bill McKibben is an American environmentalist, author, and journalist who has written extensively on the impact of our global climate emergency. He will be speaking at the Westminster Town Hall Forum at 12 noon.

Facebook link is: <https://facebook.com/events/820794611796471>

Wednesday's WoW! for Oct. 28

Each group will meet at 6:30 via Zoom:

Children of all ages: <https://bit.ly/3l0Blct>

Adults, Pastor Anne invites you to join at: <https://bit.ly/2Gh8wtx>. Use Meeting ID: 897 3898 8374 and Passcode: oakgrove. For audio only, call 1-312-626-6799 and use the ID and passcode.

Family Halloween Party Oct. 31!

Families of young children are invited to join us in the church parking lot for a Halloween "Trunk or Treat!" at 10:30 am. We'll "trick or treat" out of car trunks, collect a noisy offering, and set up a race track for bikes, scooters and trikes. Wear a costume and we'll celebrate together in a socially distanced way! Questions? Call, email or text Mary!