

*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 18, 2021**

**8th Sunday after Pentecost**

**9:00 & 10:00 am**

**We Gather in God's Name**

**Prelude**

**Welcome & Announcements**

Bart Roush

**Lighting of the Christ Candle (10 am)**

Claire Diller

**Call to Worship** (based on Psalm 23)

Karen Gerdes

God is our Good Shepherd.

**God leads us to places of restoration.**

God leads us in the paths of righteousness,  
**And guards us in the valley of the shadow.**

We fear no evil, because God is with us.

**God comforts us and leads us to safety.**

Goodness and mercy are with us now and always,  
**For we worship and follow the Good Shepherd.**

**Opening Song No. 39** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" (*screens*)

<sup>1</sup> Great is thy faithfulness,  
O God, Creator;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee.  
Thou changest not; thy compassions  
they fail not.  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Refrain:*

**Great is thy faithfulness!  
Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning, new mercies I see.**

**All I have needed thy hand hath provided.  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

<sup>2</sup> Summer and winter, and springtime  
and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their  
courses above  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.  
(*Refrain*)

## Prayer of Confession

Karen Gerdes

**Almighty God, we confess that we have succumbed to the ways of the world. We fret about what we don't have. We worry there isn't enough. We are consumed by the doubts of the world that we are not good enough, that we don't have enough wealth and security by the world's standards. Forgive us, God, for you call us to be your children. In you we have an abundant inheritance. In you we know that we are called to be a community that provides and cares for each other. In you, the standards we ought to live up to are kindness, compassion, justice and mercy. Help us to cast off the cares of the world and live deeply into your ways as your children. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

## Assurance of Grace

Karen Gerdes

There is abundant love to be found in God through Jesus Christ. Seek Christ in all you do and know how much God loves you.

**There is abundant forgiveness in Christ's name for all our sins, all the ways we have missed the mark. There is abundant grace for us all.**

Live into God's ways and know that we are loved and forgiven.

**We will practice kindness, show compassion, seek justice, and act with mercy, and we will know God. Amen.**

## We Listen for God's Word

### Time for the Young & Young at Heart

Bart Roush

### 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.**

### Scripture

1 Corinthians 10:1–13  
(NT: p. 172 | LPNT: p. 209)

Bart Roush

### Message

Bart Roush

**Anthem** (10 am)                      “Tender Hearted”

**Prayers of the People**

Bart Roush

**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.**

**We Go Forth in God’s Name**

**Closing Song** No. 306    “Blessed Be the Ties That Bind” (*screens*)

**<sup>1</sup> Blest be the tie that binds  
our hearts in Christian love.  
The fellowship of kindred minds  
is like to that above.**

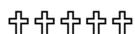
**<sup>4</sup> When we are called to part,  
it gives us inward pain;  
but we shall still be joined in heart,  
and hope to meet again.**

**<sup>3</sup> We share our mutual woes;  
our mutual burdens bear.  
And often for each other flows  
the sympathizing tear.**

**Benediction**

Bart Roush

**Postlude**



*Additional participants in worship today include:*

Vocalists: **Becky Dop & Karen Gerdes**;

Organist: **Nancy Hauser** | Pianist: **Judy Cooper**;

Sound, Light, Video: **Randy Dop, Bob Gerdes & Pierce Flanagan.**

**Chancel flowers** are given by **Leona & Jack Kley**,  
in *memory of Doris Bonikowski*.



The rosebud on the chancel this week is in honor of Frederick Stignani, who was born to parents Greg and Abby Stignani on July 2. Great-grandmother is Nancy Augustson. Welcome Frederick!

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Virtual Coffee Hour**

Join host Larry Klueh Sundays at 11:00 am following worship. Zoom in to enjoy one another's company and catch up in a relaxed way.

Join the Zoom meeting at: <https://bit.ly/3hxYbrw>

Meeting ID: 845 2763 1073 | Passcode: 665615.

For audio only, call 312-626-6799 and use the ID and passcode.

### **Ladies Who Lunch: Wednesday, July 21 (noon)**

Please join us on Bev Heise's Porch (9850 Colorado Rd, 55438) as we discuss the book *Every Day is a Gift* by Tammy Duckworth. Questions? Contact Bev at 612-670-2812.

### **Girl Talk: Sunday, July 25 (3:00 pm)**

Please join us on Bev Heise's porch (9850 Colorado Rd, 55438). We welcome all women for fellowship and conversation. No RSVP is needed but please email Pastor Mary (mkoon@oakgrv.org).

### **Oak Rovers Minnetonka Cruise: Monday, July 26**

Join other "mature adults" for a 90-minute boat cruise on Lake Minnetonka (lunch included). This event is for those who have already purchased tickets. Please meet at the church at 9:30 am to carpool and dress for the weather. Questions? Contact Darlene Thronson (952-446-7088 or darthronson@yahoo.com).

### **Outdoor Worship & Picnic at Moir Park: Sunday, August 15**

Worship will begin at 10:30 am. with a picnic to follow. New this year, attendees will bring their own picnic lunch including drinks and utensils . Box lunches are available for advanced purchase. Please see the August Oak Leaves for details.