

August 16, 2020

Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome, Announcements and Parish Notes Pastor John

Prelude Jen Moser

***Responsive Reading (Psalm 133)**

One: How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

All: It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.

One: It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion.

All: For there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

***Prayer of Assurance and Affirmation**

Almighty God, you have invested everything in us, from the dawn of creation to the end of the age. When we cry out for help, you come to our aid. When we stumble, you lift us to our feet. Even when we sin and hide our face from you, you find us, forgive us, and fortify us. Undeserving as we are, you stand by our side, and we are exceedingly grateful, so today, we pause and lift up your Most Holy Name, giving you thanks and praise for the gift of salvation and the promise of eternal life in your heavenly Kingdom. Amen.

***Hymn**

Unison Prayer

Lord Jesus, we are in awe of your mighty works and your saving grace. You paid the ultimate price for us, and we wish to acknowledge your sacrifice through a renewed commitment to you and your commandments. Grant us wisdom and give us strength to galvanize our devotion to you and our desire to serve as faithful

disciples in all that we say and do, today and always.
Amen!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord of Mercy, Lord of Grace, we are humbled by your benevolence. We are an undeserving lot, and yet you continue to rescue us from the flames of eternal damnation. May the Holy Spirit descend upon us again today and entrench itself within our hearts so that we might turn away from temptation and toward your light, which delivers us from evil and sets us on the pathway of righteousness. This we pray in your Sacred Name. Amen!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading Matthew 24:14-30

One: Let us Rejoice in God's Holy Word!

All: For His Word brings us Light, Hope, and Joy!

***Gloria Patri** No. 71

***Hymn**

Sermon "No Deposit, No Return" Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer

As we gather today as a fellowship of believers, let us lift up our prayers and petitions at this time.

Pastoral Prayer
Lord's Prayer No. 895

Presentation to God of Our Gifts

*Doxology No. 95

***Hymn**

Benediction and Postlude

*=please stand in body or spirit

Announcements and Opportunities for Service in Ministry

- **Faith in Five:** We are inviting everyone to share their testimony with the congregation in the coming months if they feel comfortable doing so. Tell us about your journey and how you came to the Lord. These five-minute testimonies will be featured each week during our worship service.
- **Outreach:** We will be traveling to Pennsylvania on Saturday, August 22 for a day's work at Eastbrook Mission Barn. There will be work verifying UMCOR kits as well as ramp building. We can take up to ten people and would like to have some men join us. Please contact Pam Domer at the church office or at office@oakchapelumc.com if you are able to help with this ministry.
- **Youth Movement:** We are moving forward with our plans to develop a vibrant youth group here at Oak Chapel. If you know of someone in Grades 9-12 who might enjoy and benefit from the experience, please let us know, and we will contact them. We hope to get the group started late summer or early fall.
- **Serenity Garden:** We are still moving forward with our plans for a Serenity Garden and a possible outdoor chapel. *If you are interested in becoming involved contact Cheryl Rastetter.*
- **Ideas Welcome:** If you have an idea for a form of outreach or ministry that we are currently not doing at Oak Chapel, please contact Pastor John (330-988-2577) to talk it over. No reasonable offer will be refused.
- **School Kits:** Items are being collected to help families in need of school supplies for this coming school year. Pencils, spiral notebooks, rulers, scissors, erasers, pencil sharpeners and crayons are all needed. You can drop off your donations in the narthex or the church office by August 20. We will take them when we travel to the Mission Barn.



Our Prayer List

Our neighbors and our community
Those serving in the armed forces
Our country, its leaders

Our Church Family

Esther Franks	Elsie Mykrantz
Jennifer Adair	Betty Princehorn
Elaine Sprinkle	Wayne Kahrig
Betsy Bower	Dick O'Hearn
Bill Feldman	Arden Boyer
Mark and Patti Ritchey	Bill Stewart
John Hower	

Our Friends, Family and Neighbors

Family of Rick Connelly
Roger, Carol and family (friends of Cindy Mykrantz)
Pat (Patrick Rickard's aunt)
Steve Slone (friend of Cindy Mykrantz)
Joan and Fred Rex (friends of Carol Gossage)
Deb (daughter of Tom Silver)

Names will be removed from this list after three weeks unless otherwise requested.



Opportunities for Ministry This Week

Sunday 8/16	Worship	10:30 am
Monday 8/17	Zoom Bible Study	9:30 am
Tuesday 8/18	Girl Scouts	6:30 pm
Saturday 8/22	Eastbrook Mission Barn	all day

Looking Ahead

Sunday 8/23	Worship	10:30 am
Monday 8/24	Zoom Bible Study	9:30 am
	Prayer Shawl	6:00 pm
Tuesday 8/25	Days for Girls	1:00 pm
	Girl Scouts	6:30 pm
Thursday 8/27	4-H	7:00 pm
	Bookworms	7:00 pm

Financial News:

Tithes and Offerings needed each Sunday for budgeted expenses (July 2020): \$2,698

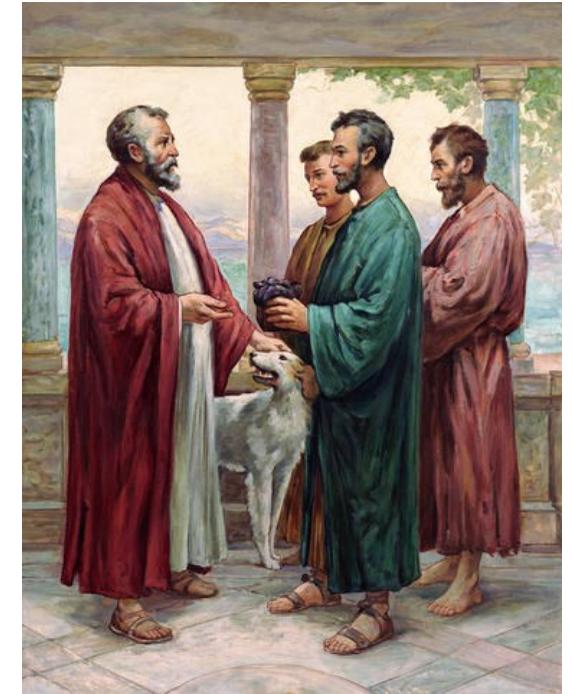
Received last month:

07/05 - \$1,959
 07/12 - \$3,195
 07/19 - \$1,370
 07/26 - \$1,495

As of 07/31/2020, we received about 74% of our budgeted income for the month of July and 75% YTD. The biggest driver to the budget this summer has been the projected building repairs, which have been delayed. Oak Chapel is alive and well!

United Methodist Women is in the process of updating the white, three-ring binder cookbook. We are looking for items to add to existing sections and really want recipes for a **new section**—Crockpots, Instant Pots, Air Fryers and More. Please type or plainly print your recipes and make sure it has a title. You can give them to Miriam, put them in a marked mailbox in the Office, or email them to Bucki81@aol.com.

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