

April 4, 2021
EASTER Sunday

Verses 1 and 5

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John

Responsive Reading: (Psalm 118:1-4 Plus One)

One: Give thanks to the Lord because he is good,

All: Because his faithful love lasts forever.

One: Let Israel say it:

All: "God's faithful love lasts forever!"

One: Let the house of Aaron say it:

All: "God's faithful love lasts forever!"

One: Let those who honor the Lord say it:

All: "God's faithful love lasts forever!"

One: And let the people of Oak Chapel proclaim,

All: "God's faithful love lasts forever!"

*Hymn "The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done" No. 306
Verses 1 and 2

Prayer of Affirmation and Assurance Let there be joy in our hearts as we raise the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on high — proclaiming His glory and majesty and thanking Him for His sacrifice, which lifted the burden of sin from our shoulders and provided a pathway to salvation in His Father's Kingdom. Let us praise His Holy Name. Amen!

Song of Praise and Worship Erica Boyer

Unison Prayer

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth! The long-awaited Savior has completed his mission, and we have been liberated! Let us exalt His Holy Name and spread the Good News among all nations, so that all that is evil can be expunged and all that is Holy be glorified from this day forward until He comes again. Amen!

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Today is a day of glory, and so we affirm our commitment to turn away from evil and toward the light that shone brightly from the tomb when Jesus arose in glory. May He continue to watch over and guide us as we seek to live a life of obedience and holiness in honor of His Sacred Name, today and always, Amen!

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 118:14-18 CEB

New Testament Reading: Mark 16:1-11 CEB

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

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

*Gloria Patri No. 70

*Hymn "The Day of Resurrection" No. 303
Verses 1 and 3

Message "I Guess You Had to Be There" Pastor John

The Sacrament of Holy Communion No.15

Jesus is the host at the Communion table.
At Oak Chapel, anyone who loves Jesus
is welcome at the table.

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

Presentation to God of Our Gifts

*Doxology No. 95

*Hymn "Christ Is Alive" No. 318

*Benediction and Postlude

**= please stand in body or spirit*

Bulletin Notes

United Methodist Women are offering *Soup to Go* on Sunday April 18. Please place your orders by next Sunday, April 11. Email/call Elizabeth, eflogil@gmail.com or 330.465.5782. Thanks in advance for your support.

Masking Reminder: With the delivery of several vaccines designed to battle the coronavirus, there is a light at the end of the tunnel, but please keep in mind that **masks must be worn in the church at all times** to prevent any further spread while protecting ourselves and our fellow congregants.

Financial News:

Tithes and Offerings needed each Sunday for budgeted expenses (March 2021): \$2,080

Received last month:

03/07 - \$1,500 03/14 - \$3,098

03/21 - \$1,604 03/28 - \$890

As of 03/31/2021, we received about 85% of our budgeted income for the month of March and 80% YTD; that's an uptick from last month. The Food Pantry and Helping Hands Fund continue to be well supported. Thank you Oak Chapel! We're alive and well!

Note: We have two other ongoing unbudgeted projects that are available for donations: \$1,300 for sanctuary audio upgrade in conjunction with the theft replacements and \$1,400 for installation of the external surveillance cameras.



Our Prayer List

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

Our church family

Betsy Bower	Joanne Jolliff
Arden Boyer	Kate Jolliff
Tina Braucher	Ann Kahrig
Bill Feldman	Elsie Mykrantz
Esther Franks	Elaine Sprinkle
Ewing Giffin	Bill Stewart

Today's Concerns

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

Choices for Worship on Sundays

- ◇ Come inside with mask and social distancing.
- ◇ Listen in the parking lot without leaving your car by tuning in to 97.9 FM on your radio.
- ◇ Live stream on YouTube.com at 10:30 am.
- ◇ Links to Pastor John's sermon are posted on our website to view on YouTube or to listen as a podcast. <https://oakchapelumc.com/worship/sermons/>

Our Friends, Family and Neighbors (Prayer List cont.)

Pastor José Santiago and his congregation
 Bob Morris—Friend of Bob and Rosie Troutman
 The Boyers' new puppies
 Brad Clevidence's girlfriend Chris
 Tom and Connie Wheeler's nephew's son
 Wendy Rife's daughter's boyfriend, Andy
 Family of June Koontz—Kim Domer's Aunt
 Those who hate, discriminate, seek violence and those caught in the crossfire and those who mourn

Opportunities for Ministry This Week

Sunday 4/4	Hallelujah!	10:30 am
Monday 4/5	Bible Study on Prayer	9:30 am
	Girl Scout Leaders	7:30 pm
Wednesday 4/7	Morning Circle	9:30 am
Saturday 4/10	UMM Breakfast	7:30 am
	Baby Shower	11:00 am

Looking Ahead

Sunday 4/11	Worship	10:30 am
Monday 4/12	Bible Study on Prayer	9:30 am
Thursday 4/15	May Acorn Deadline	
Sunday 4/18	Soup To Go	11:30 am

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 through Love, Compassion,
 Fellowship and Caring*