

July 10, 2022

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John

*Responsive Reading (Psalm 71:1-4) JG Gillard

One: I've taken refuge in you, Lord.

All: Don't let me ever be put to shame!

One: Deliver me and rescue me by your righteousness!

All: Bend your ear toward me and save me!

One: Be my rock of refuge,

All: Where I can always escape.

One: You commanded that my life be saved

All: Because you are my rock and my fortress.

*Hymn "Give to the Winds Thy Fears" No. 129

*Prayer of Affirmation and Assurance Pastor John

Lord God, we are becoming increasingly overwhelmed by the presence of evil in this world, and so we fervently ask for your divine guidance and protection. Soften our hearts, heal our wounds, strengthen our faith, and guide us back to the pathway of righteousness. In your Holy and Precious Name, we pray. Amen!

Prayer of Reflection Pastor John

Prayer of Illumination JG Gillard

All Powerful Creator, there was only darkness before your brilliant light brought life and hope into this world.

Unfortunately, the darkness has returned, but because of our faith in you we know that it cannot overcome your unyielding light, and so we pray in earnest as we continue to follow the light, now and forever. Amen!

Call to Confession Pastor John

Prayer of Confession Pastor John

God of Mercy and Light, we repent of our sins and seek your forgiveness. The blood of your Son, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, saved us and continues to cleanse us of our iniquities. Now we seek to restore our relationship and solidify our covenant with you, through you, and in you, until you return in glory. Amen!

Prayer of Preparation for the Word Pastor John

First Scripture Reading: II Timothy 4:16-18 Pastor John

Second Scripture Reading: Galatians 1:3-4 J.G Gillard

Third Scripture Reading: II Thessalonians 3:1-5 Pastor John

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 "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" No. 480

Message "Deliver Us from Evil" Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer Pastor John

Presentation of Our Gifts to God Pastor John

*Doxology No. 95

*Hymn "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing" No. 671

Benediction Pastor John

Postlude Jen Moser

* = An Invitation to Stand in Body or Spirit



Support for the Geitgey Family

Our faith tells us to love and support our neighbor, and we take that charge seriously here at Oak Chapel. As a result, the Finance Committee has approved a freewill offering for the Geitgey Family, who are our neighbors just down the road. For the next two weeks we will have a freewill offering for the family. Both Dustin and his wife are self-employed, so we thought we could help them pay a bill or two while he is recovering from the burns he sustained in an accident several weeks ago. Today and next Sunday, there will be an offering plate on the Welcome Center. You may place a cash donation there or write a check (made payable to Oak Chapel UMC with "Geitgey Family" on the Memo Line). The money will be delivered to the Family after next Sunday's service. Thank you so much for your support!





Heavenly Savior, we submit our Praises and Prayers before you, knowing that your grace, mercy, kindness, and compassion will bring hope, comfort, and peace to those who call your name. Amen!

Praises

- *For Becky Schlund and her son as they continue to strengthen their relationship
- *For the neighbors who helped Steve and Carol Gossage clear their property after the storm
- *For Miriam Zech’s nephew who is safely back home following a period of border-control duty
- *For JG Gillard’s niece, Amya, who is recovering from Covid
- *For the many freedoms we enjoy today and for those who sacrificed to preserve that freedom

Prayers

- *For Patrick Rickard, Sandy Treece, and their family following the passing of Christy
- *For Dustin Geitgey, for continued healing and comfort following surgery
- *For Bruce Bloch’s wife, Debbie, for comfort
- *For Tina Braucher’s father, Jim Shrader, for comfort and healing during his upcoming treatments
- *For the victims of the 4th of July shooting in Illinois
- *For the City of Akron as it recovers from racial unrest

Upcoming Worship Services	
July 17	A Time to Heal
July 24	Despicable Me
July 31	Bank on It

Opportunities for Worship and Ministry This Week...

Sunday 7/10	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Sunday Worship	10:30 pm
	Young Adult Bible Study	11:30 pm
Monday 7/11	Bible Study	9:30 am
Friday 7/15	Acorn Deadline	

Looking Ahead...

Sunday 7/17	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Sunday Worship	10:30 pm
Monday 7/18	Trustees	6:30 am
Tuesday 7/19	Days for Girls	1:00 pm
	Outreach	6:30 pm
Friday 7/22	Rubber Ducks Game	7:05 pm



Financial News:

Tithes and Offerings needed each Sunday for budgeted expenses (June 2022): \$2,452
 Received last month:
 06/05 - \$1,403.00
 06/12 - \$1,969.86
 06/19 - \$3,101.00
 06/26 - \$709.00

As of 06/30/2022, we received about 73% of our budgeted income for the month of June and 81% YTD. We are slightly ahead of last year at this time, which was 50% and 80%, respectively. The Food Pantry is in the black, but the funds do not purchase as much food as a year ago. We're still making a difference. Thank you Oak Chapel!

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*Serving God and Community
 through Love, Compassion,
 Fellowship and Caring*

Today’s Message...
“Deliver Us from Evil”