

October 30, 2022

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser, Organist

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John

*Responsive Reading (Psalm 119:33-38) April Aten

One: Lord, teach me what your statutes are about,

All: And I will guard every part of them.

One: Help me understand so I can guard your Instruction,

All: And keep it with all my heart.

One: Lead me on the trail of your commandments

All: Because that is what I want.

One: Turn my heart to your laws,

All: Not to greedy gain.

One: Turn my eyes away from looking at worthless things.

All: Make me live by your way.

One: Confirm your promise to your servant —

All: The promise that is for all those who honor you.

*Hymn “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” No. 103

*Prayer of Affirmation and Assurance April Aten

Today is another opportunity to reform, O Lord, so we come to you in search of the strength, courage, clarity, and guidance to obediently and joyfully follow the path you have set before us and to avoid the temptations that cause us to lose our way. This we pray with great reverence for your Holy Name. Amen!

Prayer of Reflection Pastor John

Prayer of Illumination April Aten

Enlighten us, Dear Lord, as we continue our journey, so that we can discern truth from deceit, justice from injustice, and good from evil as we also share the great wisdom and power of your Sacred Word. May all that we say and do be for the honor and glory of your Hallowed Name. Amen!

Call to Confession Pastor John

Prayer of Confession Pastor John

God of Grace and Mercy, we humbly seek your forgiveness so that we might be redeemed, reformed, and reconciled with you. Help us to break this incendiary cycle of sin, and bring us closer to you so that we may reside in your light where the darkness cannot survive. In your gracious name, we pray. Amen!

Prayer of Preparation for the Word Pastor John

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 40:28-31 April Aten

New Testament Reading: Galatians 5:19-25 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 “The Gift of Love” No. 408

Message “The Four “Rs” of Faith” Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer Pastor John

The Lord’s Prayer

Presentation of Our Gifts to God Pastor John

*Doxology No. 95

*Hymn “Peace Like a River” Insert/Screen

Benediction Pastor John

Postlude Jen Moser

**=An Invitation to Stand in Body or Spirit*



Thankful for Our Church Family

I would like to thank my church family for all of the prayers, cards, and visits during my hospital stay. You have no idea how blessed I am to have you all as part of my life. Also thank you for providing food for Gene! - Blessings, Joyce Varns

For all the Saints

Oak Chapel will mark All-Saints Day with great reverence and respect for all who have passed in 2022 on November 6. If you would like us to honor a loved one on that day, please let Pastor John know by Wednesday of this coming week (jfinn@wooster.edu).

Candy Making Continues

Our Glass Candy making sessions continue tomorrow night at 6:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Join us for the fun and frivolity, as well as the pleasing scents of cinnamon, spearmint, sassafras, and more. No prior experience is necessary.

An Old-Fashioned Christmas

Our inaugural Old Fashioned Christmas event, scheduled for December 3, is gaining momentum. We have seven individuals/families signed up for a display table, and we have room for at least that many more, so we invite you to rummage through your attic or storage room and dig out vintage Christmas lights, decorations, and nativity scenes, as well as toys, games, trains, and whatever else strikes your fancy. Sign up for a display table or provide some Christmas cookies and other treats. Contact Phyllis Weaver or Pastor John for more information.



Great and Glorious God, we praise your Holy Name as we come before you in a spirit of thanksgiving. Hear our prayers and grant comfort to those who are suffering. May your healing hand lift them up, ease their pain, and bring them peace. In your Mighty and Merciful Name, we pray. Amen!

Praises

- *For Joyce Varns, who will return home on Nov. 2
- *For the support of Bruce Bloch following his wife's passing
- *For the kindness of Oak Chapel to visitors and guests

Prayers

- *For Hilda Wacker, who is recovering from a heart attack
- *For Bill Feldman, who had surgery in preparation for dialysis
- *For Elizabeth Feldman, who is recovering from a surgery
- *For Sandy Treece, who is having several procedures
- *For Sandy Treece's son's girlfriend, who has an illness
- *For Elaine Sprinkle, who suffered a broken arm last week
- *For John Houser, who injured his leg in a fall
- *For Chase, who is hospitalized with a respiratory ailment
- *For the family of Owen Grubb, who died last week
- *For our Nation as we prepare for another important election

Upcoming Worship Services

- November 6.....For all the Saints
- November 13.....Nickel and Dime
- November 20.....From Salvage to Salvation
- November 27.....Celebrating New Life
- December 4.....Here We Go
- December 11.....Holy Moly

Opportunities for Worship and Ministry This Week...

Sunday 10/30	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Sunday Worship	10:30 am
	Trunk or Treat	2:00 pm
Monday 10/31	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Candy Making	6:30 pm
Tuesday 11/01	Retirees' Breakfast	8:30 am
	Days for Girls	1:00 pm

Looking Ahead...

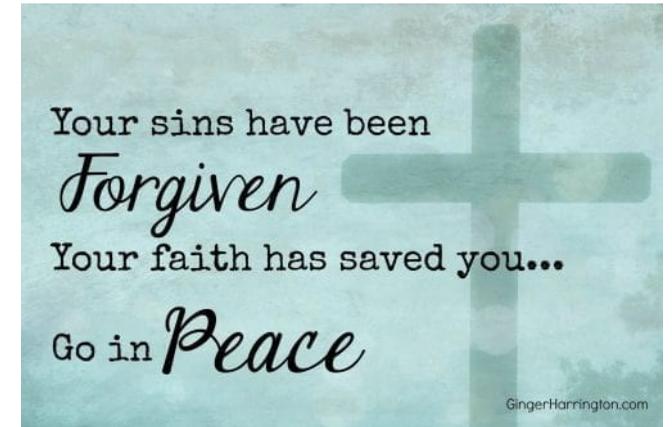
Sunday 11/06	Sunday School	9:30 am
	Sunday Worship	10:30 am
Monday 11/07	Election set-up	9:00 am
	Candy Making	6:30 pm
Tuesday 11/08	Election Day	
Saturday 11/12	UMM Breakfast	7:30 am



Financial News:

Tithes and Offerings needed each Sunday for budgeted expenses (September 2022): \$2,260
 Received in September:
 09/04.....\$1,113.00
 09/11\$3,101.00
 09/18.....\$790.00
 09/25.....\$2,294.00
 As of 09/30/2022, we have received about 77% of our budgeted income for the month of August and 83% YTD. We are slightly ahead of last year at this time, which was 124% and 82%, respectively. The Food Pantry is in the black, but the funds do not purchase as much food as a year ago. We're making a difference. Thank you, Oak Chapel!

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

Today's Message...
"The Four "Rs" of Faith"