

Eastertide



oaks parish

A HOLY COMMON PLACE

OUR MISSION

To follow Jesus in making disciples for the flourishing of Portland, the Pacific Northwest, and the world.

OUR CORE VALUES



GOSPEL OF GRACE



FORMATIVE RHYTHMS



FAITHFUL PRESENCE



EXTENDED FAMILY

VISION FOR CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP

- To see our children be raised in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and to go forth as disciples making disciples in Portland and the world.
- For our church to support and teach parents in raising their children to be disciples.
- For our church community to intentionally be involved in discipling children according to Scriptures, aligned to our core values.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

O be joyful in the Lord, all you lands;
serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

**Be assured that the Lord, he is God;
it is he that has made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people,
and the sheep of his pasture.**

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise;
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.

**For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting,
and his truth endures from generation to generation.**

SONGS OF PRAISE

WAY MAKER

You are here, moving in our midst.
I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, working in this place.
I worship You, I worship You

You are, Way Maker,
Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness,
my God, that is who You are.

You are here, touching ev'ry heart.
I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, healing ev'ry heart.
I worship You, I worship You.

You are here, turning lives around.
I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, mending ev'ry heart.
I worship You, yeah, I worship You,
Lord.

You are Way Maker,
Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness,
my God, that is who You are.

You wipe away all tears,
You mend the broken heart,
You're the answer to it all, Jesus.
You wipe away all tears,
You mend the broken heart,
You're the answer to it all, to it all,
Jesus.

You are Way Maker,
Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,
Light in the darkness,
my God, that is who You are.

You are here, touching every life.
I worship You, I worship You.
You are here, meeting every need.
I worship You, yeah, I worship You.

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HERE IS LOVE

Here is love, vast as the ocean,
Loving kindness as the flood.
When the Prince of Life, our ransom,
Shed for us his precious blood.
Who his love will not remember?
Who can cease to sing his praise?
He will never be forgotten,
Throughout heav'ns eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion,
Fountains opened deep and wide.
Through the floodgates of God's mercy,
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Grace and love like mighty rivers,
Poured incessant from above.
And heavens peace and perfect justice,
Kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me all Thy love accepting,
Love Thee, ever all my days.
Let me seek Thy kingdom only,
And my life be to Thy praise.
Thou alone shall be my glory.
Nothing in the world I see.
Thou has cleansed and sanctified me,
Thou Thyself hast set me free.

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SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 9:33-37

33 And they came to Capernaum. And when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you discussing on the way?" 34 But they kept silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. 35 And he sat down and called the twelve. And he said to them, "If anyone would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." 36 And he took a child and put him in the midst of them, and taking him in his arms, he said to them, 37 "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me."

Reader:

This is the Word of the Lord

People:

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Bryan Buck: Receiving Children, Receiving Christ
Sermon Series: It Takes a Parish

NOTES

STORIES OF GRACE

BEN COX

CONFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

Jesus, in this season of Easter, we look to you as the Lord of life. We rejoice in declaring, “O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?” We lay our tithes and offerings at the foot of your throne because you are life. Please use these gifts to bring about resurrection power in Portland, the Pacific Northwest, and the world. Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

PASSING OF THE PEACE

BUILD MY LIFE

Worthy of every song we could ever sing,
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring,
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe,
We live for you.

Jesus, the name above every other name.
Jesus, the only one who could ever save.
Worthy of every breath we could ever breathe,
We live for you.
We live for you.

Holy, there is no one like you,
There is none besides you,
Open up my eyes in wonder.
And show me who you are, and fill me,
With your heart, and lead me
in your love to those around me.

I will build my life upon your love
It is a firm foundation.
I will put my trust in you alone
And I will not be shaken.

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SURSUM CORDA

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is good and right to do so.

COMMUNION

ALL:

Christ has died,

Christ has risen,

Christ will come again.

SONG OF REFLECTION

EVERY MOTHER EVERY FATHER

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BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

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PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR THE TRUTH

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared confess, but through you I am more loved than I ever dared hope. Thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING WITH SIN

Lord Jesus, enable me to see in you the fulfillment of all my true needs, and may I turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to see that your Gospel is bigger than my sin, and that your work breaks the power of sin as well as freeing me from its penalty. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and author of my faith. Amen.

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OAKS PARISH: GET CONNECTED

WELCOME

Welcome to Oaks Parish. It is our aim that during this season of heightened awareness and caution regarding COVID-19 that we persist in carrying out our mission and core values to the best of our ability while doing what we can to follow CDC guidelines and keep everyone safe. Our worship service is available online as well as in person.

FORGOT TO RSVP?

Please help us adhere to the Multnomah County guidelines for safe gathering. Sign in on the sheet at the entrance or scan this QR code!



WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP

GATHERING - 4/14

Join us on Wednesday from 7-8:30pm in the fellowship hall. Please enter through the fellowship hall doors. We are using Lectio Divina to process scripture from the daily lectionary. Bring your Bible, journal, and a pen. If you'd like to participate via Zoom, please email amanda@oaksparish.org.

MEMBERSHIP GATHERING - 4/18

Join us after church on 4/18 from 11:30-1:30. Lunch will be provided. We will discuss what it means to be a member at Oaks Parish and the next steps toward membership. To RSVP, visit oaksparish.org/calendar/membership.

LADIES NIGHT: PAINTING

WORKSHOP - 4/19

Come paint with us on Monday, April 19! Sharon Wilson and Dotty Hawthorne will lead the ladies of Oaks Parish in watercolor painting. All supplies will be provided and all levels of artistic ability welcome. More details to come! RSVP by email to amanda@oaksparish.org.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - 5/16

Mark your calendars for a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, May 16 after church. More details to come!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TRANSITION PROJECTS

Volunteers are needed for multiple dates to minister to our unhoused neighbors. Please see the weekly email for more details or email our Director of Missions, Beckie Kruse, at beckie@oaksparish.org.

MISSIONARY BOOKS FOR KIDS

Pick up your family prism and devotional today at each entrance after the service. Published by Mission to the World, "Let There Be Light" this is a resource to open up the world of missions to your family! For those joining us online, email kids@oaksparish.org to arrange pickup.