

**OCEAN VIEW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**67 Central Ave., Ocean View DE 19970**  
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***SILENT MEDITATION***

*Samuel Torvend (adapted)*

*Here in this assembly, God works through real flesh-and-blood things transfigured by the Spirit's breath: a community, the water of life, and food and drink. The Spirit, the breath of life, animates the body, this body, with reading from a book, a washing in water, and the sharing of a meal.*

## PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

## PLAYING OF THE CHIMES

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SILENT MEDITATION

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*based on Ps. 89: 15-18*

L: Happy are the people who know the festal shout; who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance.

**C: We exult in your name all day long, and extol your righteousness.**

L: For you are the glory of our strength; by your favor our horn is exalted.

**C: For our shield belongs to the Lord; this people to the Holy One of Israel.**

**ALL: Let us sing God's glory, and shout God's praise; let us worship the Lord, our God.**

### OPENING HYMN

#### **321: The Church's One Foundation**

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord.

She is his new creation by water and the word.

From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride.

With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

### GATHERING PRAYER

O God, we joyously come together to worship, realizing we need not summon you into our midst, for you are here. We need not call you into the secret places of our hearts, for you are there. We need our eyes of faith to be opened, that we may see you; our ears unstopped, that we may hear you; our minds to be sensitive, that we may know you; our hearts to be tender, that we may receive you. Grant each one a blessing. O Lord, the one that we need, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### REFLECTION ON OUR COMMON HUMANITY

Lord, you are our Shepherd, leading, guiding and restoring us all our lives.

**When the waters have been wild, when the grass has been dry, when we ourselves have been wild, or dry, you have been there, taking gentle charge of our fear and our panic.**

We have come to know and trust your voice.

**When we have wished for more, or better, or different; when we have strayed, an hour or a year or a decade, you have come, gently and ceaselessly calling us back.**

You have been more than we deserve.

**You have been all we dared to dream.**

In Jesus Christ you have made us whole.

**We thank you, O Lord; we thank you. AMEN.**

## **CENTERING MUSIC**

### **169: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind**

Dear Lord and Father of mankind, forgive our foolish  
ways; reclothe us in our rightful mind, in purer  
lives thy service find, in deeper reverence praise.

## **PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

### **EPISTLE READING**

Ephesians 2: 11-22

### **GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 6: 30-34, 53-56

L: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

## **SERMON**

Belonging

### **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, He leads me beside quiet waters, He restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff – they comfort me. You prepare a table before me, in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. AMEN.**

## **CONCERNS AND JOYS**

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## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

## **THE SERVICE OF COMMUNION**

Friends, He was always the guest. He came to what was His own, and His own people did not accept Him. But to all who received Him, He gave power to become children of God. Out on the margins of the Sea of Galilee, out in the wilderness, He was received, and honored, and served, and known; the creations remembered their Creator. Today, He is our Host as well as our Shepherd, calling us to come, to sit, to hear, and to stay. All the world is invited; enemies and friends, those on the margins and those in power, those known and unknown. Let us reach out to touch His robe, to taste and see, to be refreshed and renewed, and to know that the Lord is good. Come, everyone, no-one is excluded; come because Christ calls us.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give our thanks to the Lord, our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

We thank you, O Lord, that you bring joy to all nature, even to us. We thank you that you open your hand to all nature, even to us. We praise you, high and lifted up, that you stoop down to us with gifts of refreshment and sources of strength. We join our voices with all creation in praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord: hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!**

We praise you, O God, that Jesus Christ your Son offered His own body and blood for the sake of the broken, excluded, suffering ones – and for us! We thank you that He offers us a share in His death and resurrection, and in the eternal life with you He binds us to, one body sharing one loaf and one cup. On the night of His arrest, Jesus took bread and wine, gifts of the creation, to dine with His disciples. Taking the bread, He blessed it and broke it, then shared it to His disciples, saying, “Take, eat. This is my body, broken for you”. After supper, He took the cup, and having blessed it shared it to His disciples, saying “this cup is the cup of the new covenant, sealed in my blood, shed for the forgiveness of sins. Every time you drink it, do so in remembrance of me”. Friends, whenever we share this bread and drink this cup, we declare the Lord’s death until He comes again. Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray: Holy Spirit come; come and live in us: in this bread, in this cup, in your people; one with Christ in this place and every place, in this world and in the world to come. Amen.

*(We will participate together, in bread, then cup)*

The body of Christ, broken for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

**Christ, you have been our Shepherd, and have gathered us again as one. We thank you! You have become our peace, freeing us from the cares of the world. We thank you! You have claimed us as your very own. Gladly we are yours, in living and in serving. Amen.**

## CALL FOR THE OFFERING

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### DEDICATION

### CHARGE

### BLESSING

Now, friends, I entrust you to God, and to the message of God's grace; a message that is able to build you up, and to give you the inheritance with all who are sanctified. Now may the grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you, and remain with you, this day and every day. Amen.



We respectfully remind you of the ongoing expenses of our ministry, and of our beautiful Campus. Please continue to donate. We can receive your donation by regular mail, online via PayPal or if you would like to drop your donation off, come to the office Monday through Thursday, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm and drop it in the mailbox outside of the office.

“May our gifts be a source of light, in a world that has learned to love darkness.”

**LITURGIST** – Ollie Robling

**SCRIPTURE READER** – Kathy Sheetz

**GREETERS** – Sue Baer and Randy Bartholomew

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Donated by Elaine Wolf in celebration of her Mother Shirley Vreeland's birthday

## Prayer List

Khaled & Nouha Dabaj, their  
children, and mother Nohad

John Doherty

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Danna Henderson

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Laurie Linard

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Family of DeAndre Brown

Sally Mason

Dave Kratch

Elaine Jackson

Dottie Nicholson

Tracy Higdon

John Burris

David & Teresa Jednorski

Jeff Niehammer

*Prayer requests will be kept on this list in the bulletin for three months unless the office hears otherwise.*

If you need prayer for whatever reason, call Kathy Sheetz (302-539-2827) to initiate a chain of prayers. Please contact the office at 302-539-3455 or email [office@ovpc.org](mailto:office@ovpc.org) to update the prayer list! Thank you!

Our Stephen Ministers are available if you are feeling especially distressed during this time, or facing a challenge that just seems to be too much to handle alone. Please call Elaine Smith for a referral.

Our live streaming services will begin at 9:20 with pre-service music with worship beginning at 9:25. If you happen to miss us live please visit our YouTube page so you can worship with the recorded version.

### Deacon's July Mission – Veterans Relief Fund

The Deacon's Mission for July is to support the Veterans Relief Fund of VFW Post 7234, our local VFW Post. The purpose of the Veterans' Relief Fund is to help veterans and their families in immediate need of monetary donations with unforeseen expenses or emergencies such as car repairs, assistance with rent after job loss and monies for food and utility bills. The fund also supports housing for homeless veterans, job training and assistance with building homes for disabled veterans and their families.

The VFW pairs the donation with other resources and organizations to assist veterans in getting back on track. 100% of all donations go directly to assist needy veterans and their families.

Thank you for supporting those who defended our country.

### BLESSING BAGS - Marie Cook Waehler

Reminder – If you want to participate in the blessing bag ministry, please put your donations in the bin located in Memorial Hall. List of items needed is on OVPC website as well as the Newsletter. Thanks again for your generosity.

### These Days Devotion

The These Days devotional books for July, August and September are now available. You can pick them up after church service or in the office.

## Scriptures for Sunday July 11th 2021

### Ephesians 2: 11-22

<sup>11</sup>So then, remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called "the uncircumcision" by those who are called "the circumcision" — a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands — <sup>12</sup>remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup>But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup>For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. <sup>15</sup>He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, so that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, <sup>16</sup>and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. <sup>17</sup>So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup>for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup>So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup>built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. <sup>21</sup>In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup>in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

### Mark 6: 30-34, 53-5

<sup>30</sup>The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. <sup>31</sup>He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. <sup>32</sup>And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. <sup>33</sup>Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. <sup>34</sup>As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

<sup>53</sup>When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. <sup>54</sup>When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, <sup>55</sup>and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. <sup>56</sup>And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

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