

GATHERING PRAYER/BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“I BELIEVE IT”

DANA MOODY

*Call to Worship: Discipleship Ministries
Witt, Rev. Jeffrey A. (2016) Twelve Faith Lessons: Taught by Stone Stories*

Today’s service is available on Facebook Live at 11 am. You can access the service through the Oaklette Church Group on Facebook. You can also access the sermon through the Oaklette UMC Facebook page. If you are unable to use Facebook Live a link can be sent to you by email after the Facebook Live Worship has been recorded, but we will need your email address to do this. The Facebook Live service will also be downloaded to our website on Monday morning.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Barbara Bennett
in honor of Judy Litten.

PARTNERS IN MINISTRY TODAY

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"God's Body in this Community"

“Oaklette United Methodist Church through worship, education, and outreach, seeks to make the gospel of Jesus Christ real, as we minister to all people.”

October 4 2026

World Communion Sunday

Welcome to our church. All are welcome in the house of the Lord.

PRELUDE “FAITH IN GOD CAN MOVE A MOUNTAIN” DANA MOODY

GATHERING HYMN “HOLY, HOLY, HOLY! LORD GOD ALMIGHTY” #64

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
which, wert, and art, and evermore shall be.
3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
perfect in power, in love and purity.
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

GREETING

WELCOME GUESTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER

Loving, sustaining God, like the mighty oak, may our branches at Oaklette church embrace those around us in this community. Use us as an instrument to welcome and shelter your people. Deepen our roots so that our branches are strong. Let the Holy Spirit flow like a river through our church, so that we may do your will. In Jesus’ holy name, Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Listen for the voice of the Good Shepherd!

People: **God, help us to hear the Shepherd’s voice and follow him.**

Leader: Refuse to listen to the hireling or the wolf!

People: **Hirelings don’t care, and wolves snatch and scatter.**

Leader: Refuse to follow bandits and thieves!

People: **The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy, but Jesus came to give us an abundant life!**

Leader: Listen for the voice of the Good Shepherd!

All: Today, we turn our hearts and our attention to the Good Shepherd who loves the sheep and knows each one of us by name.

WORSHIP HYMN “IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE” #103, vv 1, 2 & 3

1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
2. Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might,
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above,
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.
3. To all, life thou givest, to both great and small
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

MESSAGE FOR GROWING CHRISTIANS

JOYS, CONCERNS, & WHERE WE’VE SEEN INSPIRATION & THE WORK OF GOD
THIS WEEK

PASTORAL PRAYER

ANTHEM “WITH GOD, ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE” CHANCEL CHOIR

SCRIPTURE 1 SAMUEL 17:45-47

But David told the Philistine, “You are coming against me with sword, spear, and scimitar, but I come against you in the name of the Lord of heavenly forces, the God of Israel’s army, the one you’ve insulted. Today the Lord will hand you over to me. I will strike you down and cut off your head! Today I will feed your dead body and the dead bodies of the entire Philistine camp to the wild birds and the wild animals. Then the whole world will know that there is a God on Israel’s side. And all those gathered here will know that the Lord doesn’t save by means of sword and spear. The Lord owns this war, and he will hand all of you over to us.”

MESSAGE “BELIEVER STONES: A LIFE LESSON OF TRUSTING GOD”
REV. CARLA WARNOCK

REFLECTION

OFFERING PRAYER

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he arose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION Hymnal pages 12-15
(Singing Lord’s Prayer – on screen)

COME TO THE LORD’S TABLE

CLOSING HYMN “IN CHRIST THERE IS NO EAST OR WEST” #548

1. In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north;
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.
2. In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find;
His service is the golden cord close binding humankind.
3. In Christ is neither Jew nor Greek, and neither slave nor free;
both male and female heirs are made, and all are kin to me.
4. In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;
all Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.