

Oakhurst Presbyterian Church USA June 26, 2022 Worship

Order of Worship

Prelude

Matt Wauchope

Rev. Heather Chase

WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

In the image of God, you created everything and called it good! In abundant diversity, your likeness is found in us. We reject all messages that belittle or degrade any among us. And so in faithfulness to God and one another we proclaim: **Sacred are our bodies of every size and ability. Blessed are our sexualities, drawing us towards love of many kinds. Beloved is every gender, revealing you in different ways.** To our skin, beautiful in every shade, we say hallelujah! Praise God, our Creator, who blesses us with this world, these bodies, and our fellow creatures, all created good, very good.

Invocation

Opening Hymn #54

Make a Joyful Noise to God

OUR HUMANITY

Prayer of Confession & Pardon

Rev. Heather Chase

Loving God, in your wisdom, you created a world rich with diversity. Today, as we acknowledge LGBTQAI+ Equality Day, we give thanks for the gifts of sexual orientation and gender identity. We celebrate with our queer, transgender, bisexual, lesbian, and gay siblings who choose to come out, and honor those who do not. Today, we say

"yes" to the diversity among us—within ourselves, our families, our neighbors, and our communities. We claim that diversity as we come before you and as we go out into the world. At times, we turn away from this diversity, fearful of its transformative power. We reject that which is different, force it to be silent, or pretend that it does not exist. We participate in systems that privilege sameness and uproot difference. Give us the courage to live boldly into the mystery of diversity, the strength to persevere in the face of adversity, and the power to love in ways that go beyond understanding. Help us create a world where all queer, transgender, bisexual, lesbian, and gay people can flourish. Amen.

Passing of the Peace THE WORD Prayer of Illumination Old Testament Reading: 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21 Suzannah Lipscomb Anthem My Life Is in Your Hands Franklin Luke 9:51-62 New Testament Reading: **Rev Heather Chase Rev. Heather Chase** Sermon: Nowhere to Rest IN RESPONSE TO THE WORD **Prayers of the People** Text Your Prayer Requests to: 404-551-3791 **Rev. Heather Chase** The Lord's Prayer **Tithes and Offerings** You may give online at oakhurstpcusa.org/give ~ PayPal oakhurstpcusa@gmail.com ~ CashApp \$oakhurstpcusa ~ Mail 118 2nd Ave. Decatur, GA 30030. Song of Praise How Great Is Our God Tomlin **Doxology - Prayer of Thanksgiving** Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Christ all people here below Praise Holy Spirit ever more Praise Triune God, whom we adore **Final Blessing** Sweet, Sweet Spirit Sending Song

There's a sweet, sweet Spirit in this place, And I know that it's the Spirit of the Lord; There are sweet expressions on each face, And I know they feel the presence of the Lord. Sweet Holy Spirit. Sweet heavenly dove. Stay right here with us, filling us with your love. And for these blessings, we lift our hearts in praise. Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived When we shall leave this place.

Worship Leaders today include: Rev. Heather Chase, Associate Pastor; Matt Wauchope, Musician; Suzannah Lipscomb, Liturgist

Liturgy from Today's service: A Queer Call to Worship #4 from Enfleshed.com

Prayer of Confession from Open & Affirming Coalition of United Church of Christ



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Happening this week at Oakhurst Presbyterian Church Happening this week at Oakhurst Presbyterian Church:

Sunday, June 26 11:00 am Worship

Monday, June 27 6:00 pm Rev. Barbee's Monday Night Class 6 pm on Mondays Zoom Meeting

Tuesday, June 28 12:00 pm Lunch Bunch (contact Anne Hughes) Gospel Choir is on Summer Break until August 1

Wednesday, June 29 4:30-5:30 pm Racial Justice Vigil - Stand with others who know Black Lives Matter Chancel Choir is on Summer Break until July 20 Thursday, June 3010:30 am Prayer Group - Contact Rev. <u>Heather Chase</u> for more information4:30 pm Racial Justice Vigil

Saturday, July 2 10-11:00 am Racial Justice Vigil - Stand with others who believe Black Lives Matter

Sunday, July 3 11:00 am Worship Outside

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