



# Orinda Community Church

An Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ  
Reverend Elizabeth Robinson, Senior Pastor

## Order of Worship Sunday, July 4, 2021, 10 am

**Reflection:** *The best education I received was working with people in the community on a grassroots basis. Because what it taught me was that ordinary people, when they are working together can do extraordinary things.*  
—Barack Obama

### WE GATHER

PRELUDE

Judy McCall

WELCOME

Reverend Elizabeth Robinson

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*from the prayer of St. Francis*

Kathy Kling, liturgist

**One:** God, make us an instrument of your peace.

**All:** Where there is hatred, let us bring love.

**One:** Where there is offence, let us bring pardon.

**All:** Where there is discord, let us bring union.

**One:** Where there is error, let us bring truth.

**All:** Where there is doubt, let us bring faith.

**One:** Where there is despair, let us bring hope.

**All:** Where there is darkness, let us bring your light.

HYMN\* BH 591

*This Is My Song*

FINLANDIA

COMMUNITY PRAYER

*from an inaugural prayer by Billy Graham*

**Loving God, we ask that as a people, we may humble ourselves before You and seek Your will for our lives and for this great nation. Help us in our nation to work as never before to strengthen our families and to give our children hope and a moral foundation for the future. So may our desire be to serve You, and in so doing, serve one another. Amen.**

\* *Stand as you are able*

WORD OF ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE\*

**WE LISTEN**

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Kathy Kling, liturgist

2 Corinthians 12:6b-10

Mark 6:1-13

SERMON

*Unwelcome Prophets*

Reverend Elizabeth Robinson

SOLO

Jesslyn Thomas, soprano

**WE RESPOND**

A TIME OF PRAYER

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

OUR LORD'S PRAYER

**Our God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

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MOMENT FOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

A TIME OF GIVING

OFFERTORY INVITATION

OFFERTORY SOLO

Jesslyn Thomas, soprano

DOXOLOGY\*

OLD HUNDREDTH, 1551

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God for all that love has done;  
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.**

HYMN\* BH 582

*O God of Earth and Altar*

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BENEDICTION\*

Reverend Elizabeth Robinson

POSTLUDE

Judy McCall

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to Joy Elkinton-Walker and all those who assisted in making a gorgeous brochure that highlights the beauty of our stained-glass windows and tells the story of our church.

#### **For our youth! Monday M-A-Dness!**

Music, Art and Drama in our faith journey!

Hey Youth, join Leslie for some time together. We'll be meeting at each other's homes to share in fellowship, faith exploration and fun!

Monday July 12 Overnight Retreat!

Monday, July 19 at 4 TBD

Monday, July 26 at 4 TBD



Orinda Community Church is participating in a new endeavor! Alta Mesa Center for the Arts, under the leadership of Mary Volmer, is an interfaith arts and spirituality hub, housed within and sponsored by Orinda Community Church.

Please join us for our next online reading and presentation, July 11<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.

Joan Lester will be in conversation with Irma Herrera about Joan's memoir **LOVING BEFORE LOVING** (Register here: <https://forms.gle/7mhKM4G8QwnzJ6bh9>)

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## REGULAR WEEKLY OFFERINGS AT THE CHURCH

- **Mondays at 9:30 am** we will have centering prayer in the chapel. This is a time of silent prayer. We will begin with a reading, spend 15 minutes in silent prayer, and then offer a time for processing.
- **The Writers' Group meets every other week on Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. We are currently meeting via Zoom.** All are welcome. The next meeting date is July 13. The link is:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82760698393?pwd=a0VQRFNcd090V05ydmhEdlNlaUs5Zz09>  
  
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- We are piloting in-person contemplative services in the chapel on **Wednesdays at 10 a.m. and 5 p.m.** We may offer only one Wednesday service depending on how many attend. This is a short service that includes readings, music, and time for prayer. The church will continue to send out an electronic version of the contemplative service each Wednesday as well.
- **The Bible study continues at 2:00 on Thursdays via Zoom.** We are currently studying the Apostle Paul and his epistles. Here is the link:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85183959948?pwd=RE1BaDJ5Tm9ScUdhY29OWVJ2VFB5UT09>  
  
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- Live-streaming of **Sunday services** are available on our YouTube channel for those who are unable to attend church in person. They will remain available for viewing at least through the week.  
<https://youtu.be/j9r>

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