



Orinda Community Church

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

Order of Worship Sunday, July 18, 2021, 10 am

Reflection: *True humility is radical self-awareness. Humans exist in relation with others. We cannot be humble (or arrogant, or self-deprecating) in a vacuum. As we see others more clearly, we see ourselves more clearly. Humility grows in us as we respond to the humanity of others.*
—The Arbinger Institute

WE GATHER

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Reverend Elizabeth Robinson

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 145

Gail Mead

One: Our God upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.
Many: **The eyes of all look to you, God, and you give us our food in due season.**
One: You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.
Many: **Loving God, you are just in all your ways, and kind in all your doings.**
One: God is near to all who call.
Many: **God is ready to hear all who call on God in truth.**

HYMN BH 290*

Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

MORECAMBE

COMMUNITY PRAYER

Reverend Elizabeth Robinson

God, we ask you to help us know ourselves—truly, deeply. In the slow growth of our self-awareness, we pray that we will come to know you better. May the fruit of this knowledge be love. May our love be a great collaboration! Honest love for ourselves, warts and all. Generous love for our sisters and brothers. Rejuvenating love for you and from you. Amen.

* *Stand as you are able*

WORD OF ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE*

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Leslie O'Brien

WE LISTEN

SOLO

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Gail Mead

2 Samuel 11:1-15

John 6:1-15

SERMON

Humility: Experiential Self-Knowledge

Reverend Elizabeth Robinson

HYMN BH 270*

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

BRIDEGROOM

WE RESPOND

A TIME OF PRAYER

Reverend Elizabeth Robinson

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

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 268*

Creator Spirit, Come, We Pray

DICKINSON COLLEGE

BENEDICTION*

Reverend Elizabeth Robinson

POSTLUDE

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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 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.

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 meeting ID is 827 6069 8393 and the passcode is 031161.

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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.
- If you need an interlude of uplift and music, join Leslie on **Thursdays at 1:00** for a half an hour of song. This group meets via Zoom. The meeting ID is 841 5107 4448 and the passcode is 735051.
- The Bible study continues on **Thursdays at 2:00** via Zoom. We are currently studying the Apostle Paul and his epistles. The meeting ID is 851 8395 9948 and the passcode is 664537.
- Sunday Zoom Fellowships will continue even after we start up with live services, beginning June 27. Join us (Elizabeth or Leslie) **Sundays from 11:30-noon** for fellowship time via Zoom! We look forward to seeing your Brady Bunch/Hollywood Squares faces. The meeting ID is 840 3283 7659 and the passcode is 337416.
- 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/j9rLtf6Ahl>

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