

THE OCEAN PARK TEMPLE ORDER OF WORSHIP



OCEAN PARK MAINE
143rd SEASON
1881-2023

CHAUTAUQUA BY-THE-SEA
August 20, 2023

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**THE TEMPLE**  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

NINTH SUNDAY  
AUGUST 20, 2023

143<sup>RD</sup> SEASON  
10:30 AM

SPECIAL MUSIC

*It Took a Miracle*

John Peterson  
Karen Howe, Soloist

*No Justice, No Peace; Know Justice, Know Peace*  
*No Jesus, No Peace; Know Jesus, Know Peace*

J. Scheinfeldt

WELCOME

**The Gathering**

THE PRELUDE

*Call of Ages*

Composed for 12 handbells  
and piano by Jason Krug  
Temple Bells, Guest Conductor Sue Wilbur  
Accompanied by Jerry Scheinfeldt

**The Service of Praise**

\*THE DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all Blessings flow,  
Praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts.  
Creator, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Preserve us, O Lord, for in you we take refuge;

**All: We say to the Lord, "You are my God!"**

One: Therefore, our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice;

**All: For you show us the path of life and in your holy presence there is fullness of joy.**

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "sins")

\*HYMN OF PRAISE  
AND THANKSGIVING

*Praise the Source of Faith and Learning*

Troeger/Albright

**The Service of the Word**

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 2: 8-9, 15-17

Ted Wade

And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."  
-NRSV

ANTHEM

*Be Still and Know*

Chapman, arr. Lloyd Larson  
Temple Choir, directed by Jerry Scheinfeldt

THE MORNING PRAYER

Kathy Wade

CHORAL RESPONSE *Prayer Is the Soul's Sincere Desire* Montgomery/Cottman

\*HYMN OF FAITH AND AFFIRMATION *God Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens* Cameron/Moore

THE OFFERING INVITATION AND PRAYER

OFFERTORY *We Give Thanks* Thompson/Bush  
*...The breathless beauty earth is given, the majesty of sea and heaven  
The power vast beyond our knowing, in rain and sun and the wind blowing...  
and for the precious things of the everlasting hills.  
The hills, serene and permanent, give long assurance and content  
That through the strife and grief we see, God was, God Is, and God will be!*

THE SERMON "Knowledge" Rev. Dr. Nancy Taylor

SILENT PRAYER

\*HYMN OF REFLECTION *Stars and Planets Flung in Orbit* Stuempfle/Goss

**The Sending**

\*THE BENEDICTION

\*"Go in Peace" Barber L. Waters  
Kenneth E. White  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day.  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always'.  
Celebrate and share the joy! Celebrate New Life!  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always'.

\*THE POSTLUDE Temple Brass, directed by Dan Evans  
and Organ

*\*All who are able, please stand.*



**Greeters today are David Marchant and Anne Parsons Marchant. *Thank you!***

**Today's flowers are given  
in loving memory of our sister, Jean M. Leach, from Pamela Roberts and Cathy Larkin;  
and  
from the Chute Family in memory of Don and Isabel Chute.**

**We wish to thank Karen Howe for sharing her musical talents with us this morning.**



## PLATFORM GUESTS

### REV. DR. NANCY TAYLOR

### SERMON

After forty years in ministry and after 17+ years serving as the 20th senior minister of Old South Church in Boston, Nancy retired at the end of May in 2022. She remains active on a number of boards: Pax World Funds (independent trustee), Yale Divinity School (co-chair), The Miller Center for Interreligious Leadership (Hebrew College), The Boisi Center for Religion in American Public Life (Boston College), The Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology, Revolutionary Spaces, and the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights.

### TED WADE

### SCRIPTURE

### KATHY WADE

### PRAYER

Ted and Kathy Wade have been coming to Ocean Park for more than 25 years ago, starting as 1-week visitors and then as homeowners. Both are now retired and happy to be able to spend more time here. Before retirement, Ted held various financial management positions in banking, educational and non-profit organizations, focusing in recent years on environmental issues. He has served as OPA Treasurer and as a member and as Chair of the A&F Committee. After several years working as a paralegal and in law firm management, Kathy moved to serve as corporate secretary and legal department head of two publicly-held companies. Kathy served on OPA's Development Committee, including as its Chair, and is currently Secretary of the Association. Ted and Kathy's two daughters – Katie, who lives in Boston, and Leslie, who lives in Hong Kong with her two daughters -- who spend much of their summers in Ocean Park. When not in Ocean Park, Ted and Kathy live in Newton, MA and worship at Old South Church in Boston.

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1 Praise the Source of faith and learn - ing that has sparked and stoked the mind  
 2 God of wis - dom, we ac - knowl - edge that our sci - ence and our art  
 3 May our faith re - deem the blun - der of be - liev - ing that our thought  
 4 As two cur - rents in a riv - er fight each oth - er's un - der - tow

with a pas - sion for dis - cern - ing how the world has been de - signed,  
 and the breadth of hu - man knowl - edge on - ly par - tial truth im - part.  
 has dis - placed the grounds for won - der which the an - cient proph - ets taught,  
 till con - verg - ing they de - liv - er one co - her - ent stead - y flow,

Let the sense of won - der flow - ing from the won - ders we sur - vey  
 Far be - yond our cal - cu - la - tion lies a depth we can - not sound  
 May our learn - ing curb the er - ror which un - think - ing faith can breed  
 Blend, O God, our faith and learn - ing till they carve a sin - gle course,

keep our faith for - ev - er grow - ing and re - new our need to pray:  
 where your pur - pose for cre - a - tion and the pulse of life are found.  
 lest we jus - ti - fy some ter - ror with an an - ti - quat - ed creed,  
 till they join as one, re - turn - ing praise and thanks to you, their Source.

# God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

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Catherine Cameron, 1967

Gen. 5:1-2; Isa. 42:5-9

1 God, who stretched the span - gled heav - ens in - fi - nite in time and place,  
2 We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of since the child-hood of our race;  
3 As each far hor - i - zon beck - ons, may it chal-lenge us a - new,

Flung the suns in burn-ing ra - diance through the si - lent fields of space;  
Known the ec - sta - sy of wing-ing through un - trav-eled realms of space;  
Chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose, serv - ing oth - ers, hon - oring you.

We, your chil - dren, in your like-ness, share in - ven-tive powers with you;  
Probed the se - crets of the at - om, yield-ing un - i - mag - ined power,  
May our dreams prove rich with prom-ise, each en-deav-or, well be - gun;

Great Cre - a - tor, still cre - a - ting, show us what we yet may do.  
Fac - ing us with life's de - struc-tion or our most tri - um-phant hour.  
Great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance till our goals and yours are one.

*Catherine Cameron, a professor of social psychology in California, wrote this text in 1967 with Haydn's Austrian Hymn in mind. This tune, Holy Manna, appeared in The Columbian Harmony (1825), and was attributed to the compiler of that volume, William Moore.*

Tune: HOLY MANNA 8.7.8.7.D.  
William Moore, 1825

1 Stars and plan - ets flung in or - bit, gal - ax - ies that  
 2 Skies a - dorned with sun - set splen - dor, si - lent peaks in  
 3 Life in won - drous, wild pro - fu - sion, seed and fruit, each  
 4 Hu - man - kind, earth's deep - est mys - tery, born of dust but

swirl through space, Pow - ers hid with - in the at - om,  
 calm re - pose, Gold - en fields a - wait - ing har - vest,  
 flower and tree, Beast and fish and swarm - ing in - sect,  
 touched by grace, Torn a - part by tongue and col - or,

cells that form an in - fant's face: These, O God, in  
 foam - ing surf and fra - grant rose: Earth, its boun - ty  
 soar - ing bird, re - joic - ing, free: These, your crea - tures,  
 yet a sin - gle, striv - ing race: We, in whom you

si - lence praise you; by your wis - dom they are made.  
 clothed with beau - ty, ech - oes all cre - a - tion's praise.  
 join in cho - rus, prais - ing you in word - less song.  
 trace your im - age, add our words to na - ture's song.

*Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr., began his ministry as a parish pastor. His long association with Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg began in 1962 when he joined the faculty as professor of preaching, and continued until 1989 when he retired as president emeritus.*

Tune: LAUDA ANIMA 8.7.8.7.8.7.  
 John Goss, 1869

Music Director: Jerry Scheinfeldt  
Organist: Jerry Scheinfeldt  
Pianist: Eric Larson  
Head Usher: Pamela Savage  
Sound Engineer: Jesse Grace  
Temple Bell Choir Director: Sue Evans  
Temple Brass Choir Director: Dan Evans  
Temple Choir Director: Jerry Scheinfeldt

*Activity Packets* are available from the ushers for those children who attend the service, and contain quiet, worship-oriented activities.

Meet the Preacher immediately after the service at the front of the Temple.

Fellowship Time following the service in the Grove between Porter Hall and the Temple.  
(In the event of rain, Fellowship Time will take place in Porter Hall)  
*Greet old friends    Meet new friends*

Bell Choir Rehearsals: Sundays 8:00 am  
Temple Brass Rehearsals: Sundays 9:00 am  
Temple Choir Rehearsals: Saturdays 5:30 pm and Sundays 9:30 am  
(Please see Jerry, Sue or Dan for further information)

The Williams Sound System: This system aids the hearing impaired and is available from the ushers. It can be used in the Temple, while seated on the benches outside, or in a car.

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Mission Statement: The purpose of the Ocean Park Association is to affirm the traditions and spiritual heritage of which we are heirs, through a summer assembly program where Christian worship, principles and ideals are at the focus; where diversity is celebrated and the dignity of all is embraced and respected; where the natural beauty of our seaside resort is conserved and enhanced; and where programs centered on religion, education, recreation and culture provide opportunities for individual growth and family enrichment.

Temple History: The Temple was built by Free Will Baptists during a six-week period in the summer of 1881; it was dedicated on August 2nd of that year, which was also the first day of the Assembly Program in Ocean Park. The octagonal structure represents an architectural style popular at the time. It seats up to 750 people, and is the site of most cultural events.

The Temple is open weekday mornings for meditation and observation.

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### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Historical Room in Porter Hall is open from 11:30-12:40 after the service this morning.