

Mount Oak Fellowship of the UMC

April 11th, 2021

11:00 am Service

Greeting and Announcements

Pastor Butler

Songs of Praise

Sing a Song
Every Praise
The Blessing

Going to God in Prayer

Pastor Butler

To submit prayer requests text: 301-356-3431

Message

Being Jotham in the Age of Abimelek

Pastor Barnes

Text: Judges 9:1-57 (Don't worry, we will skip a few verses)

Song of Faith

Jubilee

Sending Forth

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**



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Sing a Song

Just think of one good time
That you've been blessed
I'm sure you can find
One thing that God has done
for you
Now think of one more time
That you've been blessed
I'm sure you can find
More things to grow your
gratitude

Chorus

Sing a song to the One Who's
been loving us since forever
Sing a song to the One Who's
been there our entire lives
Sing a song to the One who's
A Sing a song to the One
who's
Sing a song to the One who's
And sing it again

Hallelujah

To the Lord and sing it again,
sing it
To the Lord and sing it again,
sing it

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Every Praise

Every praise is to our God
Every word of worship with
one accord
Every praise every praise is
to our God
Sing hallelujah to our God
Glory hallelujah is due our
God
Every praise every praise is
to our God

God my Savior
God my Healer
God my Deliverer
Yes He is yes He is
(Yes He is yes He is)

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The Blessing

The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace

Chorus

Amen, Amen, Amen

May his favor
Be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
And your children
And their children
And their children

May his presence
Go before you
And behind you
And beside you
All around you
And within you
He is with you
He is with you

In the morning
In the evening
In your coming
And your going
In your weeping
And rejoicing
He is for you
He is for you

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Jubilee

The Spirit of the Lord is upon
me
I'm anointed to bring hope
The promise fulfilled in a
moment
We're still watching it unfold
There's good news for the
captive
A proclamation for every
soul
This liberty is for the broken
An invitation to be made
whole

Chorus

Listen for the free man
singing
He's delivered me
Look out for the woman
shouting
His garment made me clean
Listen up for the season's
changing
He's rebuilding everything
Listen for the people shouting
This is jubilee

There is true joy in His
freedom
So open your heart and
receive it
There is a hope to believe in
Jesus Jesus

Can you hear it
Can you hear it
Can you hear it
This is the sound
This is the sound of jubilee

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- **Summer Olympics**
- **Soccer**
- **Volleyball**
- **Crafts**
- **Dancing**
- **Football Skills**
- **Outdoor Activities**
- **Social Distancing**
- **Much Much More!!!!**

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SUMMER

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JUNE 21ST thru JULY 16TH



For registration info please email
sports@mtoak.org
Secure your spot today
Registration ends May 01, 2021

Discipleship Opportunities

For Children:

Children's Director Shirletta Butler hosts a biweekly Zoom gathering; on Thursdays at 6:30pm. Some weeks there is an activity packet available to be worked on together during the gathering. Please email shirletta@mtoak.org for more information.

For Youth:

Deedie Stuart is hosting a Zoom Bible study for middle and high schoolers on Friday evenings at 6:00 pm. Please email deediestuart@gmail.com for details.

Also, AMPED will be restarting virtually in February so look out for details and times coming soon

For Adults (all on Zoom):

Sundays, 11:15 am: This adult Sunday School class allows time for people to watch the worship service at 10 before joining the class. They are currently studying the gospel of John. On April 11 they will begin a new study about Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi. For more information or to participate, email Dave and Laurell Leith (laurelleith@gmail.com).

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm:

One group (for women) will begin a study of lesser-known women of the Bible on January 27th. For more information or to participate, email Linda Barnes (lindabell1019@gmail.com).

One group (for anyone) is currently studying *Twelve Voices for Truth* by Jack Hayford. For more information or to participate, email Kurt Bulger (bkbulger1@gmail.com).

Alternating Fridays, 7:30 pm: The "Odd Fridays" small group is currently studying *Mere Christianity* by CS Lewis. For more information or to participate, email Molly Holloway (molly.holloway@verizon.net).

Alternating Saturdays, 8:30 am: The Men's Huddle is currently studying *Seven Promises of a Promise Keeper*. For more information or to participate, email Gale TeSelle (gwteselle@verizon.net).

Giving Update

In order to meet our 2021 budget we need \$10,600/week. Over the last two weeks we received \$26,197. We thank everyone for their faithful giving which is made all the more meaningful by the difficult season we are going through.

Sermon Notes

1. What does II Timothy 3:16-17 mean? (What is Scripture good for?)¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,¹⁷ so that the man of God, the woman of God, the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2. Who was Abimelek?
 - a. Who was his father?

Note #1 - When Gideon *put out a fleece* he laid out a blanket (or sheepskin) overnight and asked God to prove that he was truly with him by keeping the ground dry from the dew that gathers overnight, but causing the fleece or blanket to become wet. God honored that first request and afterwards, Gideon laid out the blanket a second time, and asked God to keep the fleece dry but cause the surrounding ground to become wet. Again, God proved himself to Gideon by granting him a sign.

Note #2 – Judges 7:15-21 describes what at first reading may appear to be a fanciful account of a battle, but which was actually a reasonable, though daring, military tactic. Gideon commanded a small force of 300 men to sneak behind enemy lines and into the enemy (Midianite) camp after dark. These brave, 300 men were carrying trumpets, and torches which had their light hidden under large jars. On his command, Gideon's men broke the jars, revealing the light of the torches, blew their trumpets, and yelled, "For the Lord and for Gideon".

This maneuver sent the Midianites into a panicked retreat that soon became a rout, not because they feared they were being attacked by a marching band, but because the sudden bursts of sound and light left the Midianites convinced that their enemies had achieved a surprise attack.

b. What did Amimelek do?

c. Would you want to live in the “Age of Abimelek?”

3. Six hard truths about “the age of Abimelek”

- Notice how the conditions under which Abimelek rose to power are similar to...
- Take note how the people destroyed each other in the age of Abimelek just as...
- The age of Abimelek began with the slaughter of...
- The spirit of Abimelek is a spirit of division and violence and that spirit is always...
- To face the spirit of Abimelek we need the courage of ... and the determination of ...
- To make a difference and to save our own souls we must put away... and worship...