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OUT ROOTS



**Oakwood**

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

# WELCOME | TO OAKWOOD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**We are so glad you've joined us today!** We pray that you see Jesus Christ glorified in our midst, and that you are led to glorify Him as well. As a church our vision, by God's grace, is to become 'oaks of righteousness,' growing roots deep in God's Word, bearing fruit of God-centered holiness and worship, and branching out with Gospel-centered witness and service to State College, Penn State, Central Pennsylvania, and the world.

If you are new here and would like to receive Oakwood news and announcements, or just want to share a prayer request, please see the tear-off section on the last page of this bulletin or send an email with your information to [churchoffice@oakwoodpca.org](mailto:churchoffice@oakwoodpca.org).



*For those with small children, we offer nursery for ages 7 months to 3 years during the sermon in the 11:15 am service. We also offer "Stepping Stones" in both the 8:30 am and the 11:15 am services during the sermon for 3 years - 1st grade. For both Nursery and Stepping Stones, children will need to check-in through our new Church Center system. Unsure what to do? Reach out to one of our volunteers in the gathering space to help you with the process.*

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**November 28, 2021**

**Prelude**

8:30 – Rick Betts | 11:15 - Oakwood Musicians

**Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Ben Lee

**First Sunday of Advent**

*Isaiah 7:14; 9:6-7; Luke 1:26-33*

**8:30 SERVICE ADVENT**

Michael Betts

**11:15 SERVICE ADVENT**

The Walker Family

## SPECIAL MUSIC

### God Made Low

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1. Prophets promised long ago  
A King would come to bring us hope  
And now a virgin bears a son  
The time to save the world has come

2. Humble shepherds run in haste  
To see the One the angels praised  
In cattle stall they find a girl  
Holding the hope of all the world

3. As He sleeps upon the hay  
He holds the moon and stars in place  
Though born an infant He remains  
The sovereign God of endless days

4. For all our sins one day He'll die  
To make us sons of God on high  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
The promises have all come true

### CHORUS

Emmanuel has come to us  
The Christ is born, Hallelujah!  
Our God made low to raise us up  
Emmanuel, has come to us

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

### God's Word of Invitation

*Isaiah 12:4-6*

And you will say in that day:

“Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name,  
make known his deeds among the peoples,  
proclaim that his name is exalted.

“Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;  
let this be made known in all the earth.

Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,  
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.”

## 8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

### Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Hymn #193

## 11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

### Hail to the Lord's Anointed

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#### CHORUS

Hail to the Lord's anointed,  
great David's greater Son!  
Hail in the time appointed, His reign on  
earth begun, His reign on earth begun!

1. He comes to break oppression,  
to set the captive free,  
To take away transgression,  
and rule in equity.

#### CHORUS

2. He comes with comfort speedy  
to those who suffer wrong,  
To help the poor and needy,  
and bid the weak be strong.

3. To give them songs for sighing,  
their darkness turn to light,  
Whose souls, condemned and dying,  
were precious in His sight.

#### CHORUS

4. He shall come down like showers  
upon the fruitful earth,  
Love joy and hope, like flowers  
spring in His path to birth.

5. Kings shall fall down before Him,  
and gold and incense bring;  
All nations shall adore Him,  
His praise all people sing.

#### CHORUS

6. The tide of time shall never  
His covenant remove.  
His name shall stand forever,  
that name to us is Love.

#### CHORUS

### Our Prayer of Adoration

Rev. Ben Lee

# THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**God's Law**

**Our Prayer of Confession**

**Corporate Confession**

*Micah 1:2-5*

Silent Prayer

In Unison

“Holy and merciful God in your presence we confess  
our sinfulness, our shortcomings, our offenses against you.

You alone know how often we have sinned

in wandering from your law,

in wasting our gifts,

in disbelieving your promises.

For these we deserve your just wrath.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to  
displease you.

Forgive our sins, and help us to live in the light, and walk in your ways, for the  
sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.”

Adapted from "The Worship Source Book, Second Edition," Section 2.13. Faith Alive Christian Resources, 2013.

## 8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

**As with Gladness Men of Old**

Hymn #226

## 11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

### All I Have Is Christ

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#### CHORUS

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ  
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life

1. I once was lost in darkest night  
Yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life  
Had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that You would own  
A rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first  
I would refuse You still

2. But as I ran my hell-bound race  
Indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state  
And led me to the cross

And I beheld God's love displayed  
You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me  
Now all I know is grace

#### CHORUS

3. Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone  
And live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands  
Could never come from me  
Oh Father, use my ransomed life  
In any way You choose  
And let my song forever be  
My only boast is You

#### CHORUS

## THE BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

### Psalm 113

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!

**God's People: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and forevermore!**

Leader: From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the Lord is to be praised!

**God's People: The Lord is high above all nations, and his glory above the heavens!**

Leader: Who is like the Lord our God, who is seated on high,

**God's People: who looks far down on the heavens and the earth?**

Leader: He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap,

**God's People: to make them sit with princes, with the princes of his people.**

**In Unison: He gives the barren woman a home, making her the joyous mother of children. Praise the Lord!**

**God's Promise to Hear**

*Psalm 34:15*

**Prayer of Petition**

Elder Bill Bonness

**God's Promise to Provide**

*Psalm 34:17*

**Our Tithes and Offerings\***

**8:30 SERVICE MUSIC**

**Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus**

Hymn #196

**11:15 SERVICE MUSIC**

**O Great God**

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1. O great God of highest heaven  
Occupy my lowly heart  
Own it all and reign supreme  
Conquer every rebel power  
Let no vice or sin remain  
That resists Your holy war  
You have loved and purchased me  
Make me Yours forevermore

2. I was blinded by my sin  
Had no ears to hear Your voice  
Did not know Your love within  
Had no taste for heaven's joys  
Then Your Spirit gave me life  
Opened up Your Word to me  
Through the gospel of Your Son  
Gave me endless hope and peace

3. Help me now to live a life  
That's dependent on Your grace  
Keep my heart and guard my soul  
From the evils that I face  
You are worthy to be praised  
With my every thought and deed  
O great God of highest heaven  
Glorify Your Name through me

# THE WORD OF LIFE\*

**Micah 5:1-5a**

Associate Pastor, Rev. Owen Hughes

## THE UNEXPECTED RESCUE PLAN

<sup>5:1</sup> Now muster your troops, O daughter of troops; siege is laid against us; with a rod they strike the judge of Israel on the cheek. <sup>2</sup> But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days. <sup>3</sup> Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has given birth; then the rest of his brothers shall return to the people of Israel. <sup>4</sup> And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth. <sup>5</sup> And he shall be their peace.



## 8:30 SERVICE MUSIC\*

### **O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

Hymn #194

## 11:15 SERVICE MUSIC \*

### **O Come, O Come, Emmanuel**

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1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
And ransom captive Israel,  
That mourns in lonely exile here,  
Until the Son of God appear.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might,  
Who to thy tribes, on Sinai's height,  
In ancient times didst give the law  
In cloud and majesty and awe.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

3. O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free  
Thine own from Satan's tyranny;  
From depths of hell thy people save,  
And give them victory o'er the grave.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

4. O come, thou Dayspring from on high  
And cheer us by thy drawing nigh;  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadows put to flight.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

5. O come, thou Key of David, come  
And open wide our heav'nly home;  
Make safe the way that leads on high,  
And close the path to misery.  
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel  
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

*\* Parents are asked to pick up their children from Stepping Stones and nursery.*

## THE BLESSING & SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### **God's Promise of Blessing**

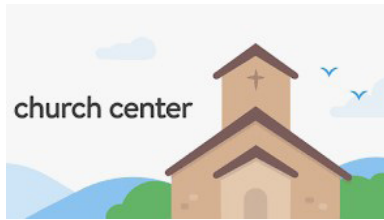
*Psalm 103:11-13*

### **DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen, Amen.

### **Postlude**

8:30 – Rick Betts | 11:15 – Oakwood Musicians



## Welcome to Oakwood Church Center!

### Check-ins on Sunday Morning:

You will check in your child(ren) once on Sunday morning for both Stepping Stones and Sunday School. This means you will use the same pick-up sticker for both pickups, so make sure you don't misplace it (or give it to the teacher). Note: teachers will still need to verify your pickup code, but keep the pickup sticker and leave your child's sticker on!

### Check-ins for Nursery during the Service:

Parents are required to check-in nursery-age children in the Nursery room when they are dropped off during the service if they have not been checked in previously.

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**New to Church Center?** There are two ways to access the *Oakwood Church Center app...*

**On your phone** with the QR Code pictured here. Hover over and tap the prompt. This will lead you to the app store where you can download the Church Center App for free.



**On your computer** go to [oakwoodpca.churchcenter.com](http://oakwoodpca.churchcenter.com) and follow the prompts. If it's not working, no worries! Tech support is available through the church office by emailing your questions to Tricia at [tricia.oakwood@gmail.com](mailto:tricia.oakwood@gmail.com).

# OAKWOOD LIVESTREAM AVAILABLE

Livestream available for the  
11:15 am worship service at  
[www.oakwoodpca.org/live](http://www.oakwoodpca.org/live)

# WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING AT OAKWOOD?

Want to receive the weekly email announcements? You can fill out the tear off portion of the bulletin and check “Receive the e-announcements,” send an email to [churchoffice@oakwoodpca.org](mailto:churchoffice@oakwoodpca.org) or sign up on the website at [www.oakwoodpca.org](http://www.oakwoodpca.org)



Looking to get involved with a community of believers on campus?

Contact Cam Smith:  
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**HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?**

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# ARE YOU NEW HERE?



Complete online by using the QR code or complete the section below and place it in the offering plate.

FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

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CITY

STATE ZIP

SPOUSE / CHILDREN'S NAMES

## I WOULD LIKE TO:

- Become a member
- Be contacted by an Elder
- Join a small group
- Volunteer for:

- Receive the e-announcements
- Add my info to the directory
- Update my contact information

Have a prayer request?

Please complete the other side.

# WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING AT OAKWOOD?

Learn about ministry events going on throughout the week, & learn more about our church online!

[www.oakwoodpca.org](http://www.oakwoodpca.org)

## OAKWOOD CHURCH OFFICE

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