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BEARING  
BRANCHING  
OUT ROOTS



**Oakwood**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JANUARY 1, 2023

# 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 both the 8:30 am and the 11:15 am service. For both Nursery and Stepping Stones, children will need to check-in through our Church Center system. PLEASE NOTE: children need to be picked up by a parent during the last song. Unsure what to do? Reach out to one of our ushers.*

**January 1, 2023**

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<b>Prelude</b>	8:30 – Rick Betts   11:15 – Oakwood Musicians
<b>Welcome and Announcements</b>	Men's "12th Night" Tree Burning Event
<b>Silent Time of Reflection</b>	Preparing our hearts for Worship

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

### God's Word of Invitation

*Psalms 138:1-5*

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I sing your praise;

I bow down toward your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,  
for you have exalted above all things  
your name and your word.

On the day I called, you answered me;  
my strength of soul you increased.

All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord,  
for they have heard the words of your mouth,  
and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord,  
for great is the glory of the Lord.

## 8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

### Crown Him with Many Crowns

Hymn #295

## 11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

### Blessed Be Your Name

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1. Blessed be your name,  
In the land that is plentiful  
Where Your streams  
Of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name

2. Blessed be your name,  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be Your name

#### PRE-CHORUS

Every blessing You pour out  
I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in,  
Lord still I will say

#### CHORUS

Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name

3. Blessed be Your name,  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be Your name

4. Blessed be Your name,  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be Your name

#### PRE-CHORUS

#### CHORUS

#### BRIDGE

You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord, blessed be Your name

#### CHORUS

### Our Prayer of Adoration

Rev. Richard Smith

# THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**God's Law**

**Our Prayer of Confession**

**God's Promise to Pardon**

*Matthew 22:37-40*

Silent Prayer

*Romans 5:6-8*

**8:30 SERVICE MUSIC**

**A Few More Years Shall Roll**

Hymn #540

**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

## Confession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed

In Unison

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
He descended into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**God's Promise to Hear**

*Psalm 32:6*

**Prayer of Petition**

Elder Brian Roberg

**God's Promise to Provide**

*2 Corinthians 9:7-8*

**Our Tithes and Offerings**

Offertory

**8:30 SERVICE MUSIC**

**Though Troubles Assail Us**

Hymn #95

**11:15 SERVICE MUSIC**

**Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor**

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1. Christ the sure and steady Anchor  
In the fury of the storm  
When the winds of doubt  
Blow through me  
And my sails have all been torn  
In the suffering, in the sorrow  
When my sinking hopes are few  
I will hold fast to the Anchor  
It shall never be removed

2. Christ the sure and steady Anchor  
While the tempest rages on  
When temptation claims the battle  
And it seems the night has won  
Deeper still then goes the Anchor  
Though I justly stand accused  
I will hold fast to the Anchor  
It shall never be removed

3. Christ the sure and steady Anchor  
Through the floods of unbelief  
Hopeless somehow, O my soul, now  
Lift your eyes to Calvary  
This my ballast of assurance  
See His love forever proved  
I will hold fast to the Anchor  
It shall never be removed

4. Christ the sure and steady Anchor  
As we face the wave of death  
When these trials give way to glory  
As we draw our final breath  
We will cross that great horizon  
Clouds behind and life secured  
And the calm will be the better  
For the storms that we endured

**ENDING**

Christ the sure of our salvation  
Ever faithful, ever true  
We will hold fast to the Anchor  
It shall never be removed

# THE WORD OF LIFE\*

**Psalm 103**

Pastoral Intern Austin Hess

## BLESS THE LORD, O MY SOUL

- <sup>1</sup> Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all that is within me,  
bless his holy name!
- <sup>2</sup> Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits,
- <sup>3</sup> who forgives all your iniquity,  
who heals all your diseases,
- <sup>4</sup> who redeems your life from the pit,  
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
- <sup>5</sup> who satisfies you with good  
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
- <sup>6</sup> The Lord works righteousness  
and justice for all who are oppressed.
- <sup>7</sup> He made known his ways to Moses,  
his acts to the people of Israel.
- <sup>8</sup> The Lord is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- <sup>9</sup> He will not always chide,  
nor will he keep his anger forever.
- <sup>10</sup> He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
- <sup>11</sup> For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
- <sup>12</sup> as far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

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<sup>13</sup> As a father shows compassion to his children,  
so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him.

<sup>14</sup> For he knows our frame;  
he remembers that we are dust.

<sup>15</sup> As for man, his days are like grass;  
he flourishes like a flower of the field;

<sup>16</sup> for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,  
and its place knows it no more.

<sup>17</sup> But the steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on  
those who fear him,  
and his righteousness to children's children,

<sup>18</sup> to those who keep his covenant  
and remember to do his commandments.

<sup>19</sup> The Lord has established his throne in the heavens,  
and his kingdom rules over all.

<sup>20</sup> Bless the Lord, O you his angels,  
you mighty ones who do his word,  
obeying the voice of his word!

<sup>21</sup> Bless the Lord, all his hosts,  
his ministers, who do his will!

<sup>22</sup> Bless the Lord, all his works,  
in all places of his dominion.

Bless the Lord, O my soul!



**8:30 SERVICE MUSIC\***

**Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven**

Hymn #76

**11:15 SERVICE MUSIC\***

**10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)**

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**CHORUS**

Bless the Lord O my soul  
O my soul  
Worship His holy name  
Sing like never before  
O my soul  
I'll worship Your holy name

3. And on that day  
when my strength is failing  
The end draws near  
and my time has come  
Still my soul will sing  
Your praise unending  
Ten thousand years  
and then forevermore

1. The sun comes up  
it's a new day dawning  
It's time to sing Your song again  
Whatever may pass  
and whatever lies before me  
Let me be singing  
when the evening comes

**CHORUS**

**CHORUS**

2. You're rich in love  
and You're slow to anger  
Your name is great  
and Your heart is kind  
For all Your goodness  
I will keep on singing  
Ten thousand reasons  
for my heart to find

**CHORUS**

# THE BLESSING & SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

**God's Promise of Blessing**

*Numbers 6:24-26*

## **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

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## **Annual 12th Night Tree Burning**

Oakwood's annual *12th Night* Tree Burning Men's Event is happening  
**Thursday, January 5 at 7:00 pm at the Sharp home**  
(585 Maurer Lane, Julian, 16844).

This is an opportunity to enjoy time with other men, get rid of your Christmas tree, or two or three of your neighbor's trees, and watch an amazing fire with really big flames! Please feel free to bring a friend, your favorite adult beverage of choice to enjoy and share as well as any other food you enjoy around a fire. Contact Doug Sharp at [sharpys6852@gmail.com](mailto:sharpys6852@gmail.com) or 814-441-6852 if you have any questions.

# OAKWOOD ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE

Online giving is available by going to  
[www.oakwoodpca.org/give](http://www.oakwoodpca.org/give)

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## 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
- Get more info about Oakwood

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)

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