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**Oakwood**  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MAY 15, 2022

# 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 and "Stepping Stones" for 3 years - 1st grade 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 or talk to someone at the Welcome Center.*

**May 15, 2022**

**Prelude** 8:30 – Amy Gustafson | 11:15 - Oakwood Musicians

**Welcome and Announcements** DJ Barger - Men's Cookout

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

### God's Word of Invitation

*Psalm 84:1-4*

How lovely is your dwelling place,

    O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, yes, faints

    for the courts of the Lord;

my heart and flesh sing for joy

    to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home,

    and the swallow a nest for herself,

    where she may lay her young,

at your altars, O Lord of hosts,

    my King and my God.

Blessed are those who dwell in your house,

    ever singing your praise!

## 8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

### Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Hymn #30

## 11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

### May the Peoples Praise You

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1. You have called us  
Out of darkest night  
Into Your glorious light  
That we may sing the wonders of  
The risen Christ

2. May our every breath  
Retell the grace  
That broke into our strife  
With boundless love and deepest joy  
With endless life

#### CHORUS

May the peoples praise You  
Let the nations be glad  
All Your blessing comes  
That we may praise  
May praise the Name of Jesus

3. All the earth is Yours and all within  
Each harvest is Your own  
And from Your hand we give to You  
To make Christ known

4. May the seeds of mercy grow in us  
For those who have not heard  
May songs of praise build lives of grace  
To spread Your Word

#### CHORUS

5. This our holy priv'lege to declare  
Your praises and Your name  
To every nation tribe and tongue  
Your church proclaims

#### CHORUS

#### BRIDGE

Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty  
Worthy worthy  
is the Lamb who was slain  
Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty  
All creation praise Your glorious Name

#### CHORUS

### Our Prayer of Adoration

Rev. Owen Hughes

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### God's Law

*Lamentation 3:40-41*

### Our Prayer of Confession

Silent Prayer

### God's Promise to Pardon

*Lamentations 3:19-24*

## 8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

### Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

Hymn #520

## 11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

### His Mercy Is More

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#### CHORUS

Praise the Lord

His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness

new every morn

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

1. What love could remember

no wrongs we have done

Omniscient all knowing

He counts not their sum

Thrown into a sea

without bottom or shore

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

#### CHORUS

2. What patience would wait

as we constantly roam

What Father so tender

is calling us home

He welcomes the weakest

the vilest the poor

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

#### CHORUS

3. What riches of kindness

He lavished on us

His blood was the payment

His life was the cost

We stood 'neath a debt

we could never afford

Our sins they are many

His mercy is more

#### CHORUS

# THE BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

## Westminster Shorter Catechism, Questions 82-87

Q. 82. Is anyone able to keep the commandments of God perfectly?

**A. Since the fall, no mere human is able to keep the commandments of God perfectly in this life; everyone breaks them daily in thought, word and deed.**

Q. 83. Are all transgressions of the law equally evil?

**A. Some sins in themselves, and because of various factors that increase their evil, are more evil in the sight of God than others.**

Q. 84. What does every sin deserve?

**A. Every sin deserves God's wrath and curse, both in this life and that which is to come.**

Q. 85. What does God require of us that we may escape His wrath and curse due to us for sin?

**A. To escape the wrath and curse of God due to us for sin, God requires of us faith in Jesus Christ, repentance that leads to life, and the diligent use of all the outward means by which Christ communicates the benefits of redemption to us.**

Q. 86. What is faith in Jesus Christ?

**A. Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace by which we receive and rest on Him alone for salvation, as He is offered to us in the Gospel.**

Q. 87. What is repentance that leads to life?

**A. Repentance that leads to life is a saving grace by which a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin and awareness of the mercy of God in Christ, turns from it to God with grief and hatred of his sin, purposing and working constantly for a new obedience.**

**God's Promise to Hear**

*Psalm 141:1-2*

**Prayer of Petition**

Elder Dave Borch

**God's Promise to Provide**

*Psalm 145:8-9*

**Our Tithes and Offerings**

Offertory

**11:15 SERVICE OFFERTORY**

**Though You Slay Me**

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## 8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

### Your Word Is like a Garden, Lord

Hymn #139

## 11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

### Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

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1. What is our hope in life and death?  
Christ alone in Christ alone  
What is our only confidence?  
That our souls to Him belong  
Who holds our days within His hands?  
What comes apart from His command?  
And what will keep us to the end?  
The love of Christ in which we stand

#### CHORUS

O sing HALLELUJAH!  
Our hope springs eternal  
O sing HALLELUJAH!  
Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death

2. What truth can calm the troubled soul?  
God is good God is good  
Where is His grace  
and goodness known?  
In our great Redeemer's blood

Who holds our faith when fears arise?  
Who stands above the stormy trial?  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
Unto the shore the rock of Christ?

#### CHORUS

3. Unto the grave what shall we sing?  
Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!  
And what reward will heaven bring?  
Everlasting life with Him  
There we will rise to meet the Lord  
Then sin and death will be destroyed  
And we will feast in endless joy  
When Christ is ours forevermore

#### CHORUS

## 11:15 SERVICE

# GOD GROWS HIS CHURCH

### Membership Vows

### We Praise His Work

*Tom & Polly Mensch*

Rev. Ben Lee

# THE WORD OF LIFE\*

**Ecclesiastes 9:11-10:20**

Associate Pastor, Rev. Ben Lee

## A FOOL'S HOPE

<sup>11</sup> Again I saw that under the sun the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, nor bread to the wise, nor riches to the intelligent, nor favor to those with knowledge, but time and chance happen to them all. <sup>12</sup> For man does not know his time. Like fish that are taken in an evil net, and like birds that are caught in a snare, so the children of man are snared at an evil time, when it suddenly falls upon them.

<sup>13</sup> I have also seen this example of wisdom under the sun, and it seemed great to me. <sup>14</sup> There was a little city with few men in it, and a great king came against it and besieged it, building great siegeworks against it. <sup>15</sup> But there was found in it a poor, wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city. Yet no one remembered that poor man. <sup>16</sup> But I say that wisdom is better than might, though the poor man's wisdom is despised and his words are not heard.

<sup>17</sup> The words of the wise heard in quiet are better than the shouting of a ruler among fools. <sup>18</sup> Wisdom is better than weapons of war, but one sinner destroys much good.

<sup>10</sup> Dead flies make the perfumer's ointment give off a stench;  
so a little folly outweighs wisdom and honor.

<sup>2</sup> A wise man's heart inclines him to the right,  
but a fool's heart to the left.

<sup>3</sup> Even when the fool walks on the road, he lacks sense,  
and he says to everyone that he is a fool.

<sup>4</sup> If the anger of the ruler rises against you, do not leave your place,  
for calmness will lay great offenses to rest.

<sup>5</sup> There is an evil that I have seen under the sun, as it were an error proceeding from the ruler: <sup>6</sup> folly is set in many high places, and the rich sit in a low place. <sup>7</sup> I have seen slaves on horses, and princes walking on the ground like slaves.

<sup>8</sup> He who digs a pit will fall into it,

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and a serpent will bite him who breaks through a wall.

<sup>9</sup> He who quarries stones is hurt by them,

and he who splits logs is endangered by them.

<sup>10</sup> If the iron is blunt, and one does not sharpen the edge,

he must use more strength,

but wisdom helps one to succeed.

<sup>11</sup> If the serpent bites before it is charmed,

there is no advantage to the charmer.

<sup>12</sup> The words of a wise man's mouth win him favor,

but the lips of a fool consume him.

<sup>13</sup> The beginning of the words of his mouth is foolishness,

and the end of his talk is evil madness.

<sup>14</sup> A fool multiplies words,

though no man knows what is to be,

and who can tell him what will be after him?

<sup>15</sup> The toil of a fool wearies him,

for he does not know the way to the city.

<sup>16</sup> Woe to you, O land, when your king is a child,

and your princes feast in the morning!

<sup>17</sup> Happy are you, O land, when your king is the son of the nobility,

and your princes feast at the proper time,

for strength, and not for drunkenness!

<sup>18</sup> Through sloth the roof sinks in,

and through indolence the house leaks.

<sup>19</sup> Bread is made for laughter,

and wine gladdens life,

and money answers everything.

<sup>20</sup> Even in your thoughts, do not curse the king,

nor in your bedroom curse the rich,

for a bird of the air will carry your voice,

or some winged creature tell the matter.



**8:30 SERVICE MUSIC\***

**Like a River Glorious**

Hymn #699

**11:15 SERVICE MUSIC \***

**Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me**

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1. What gift of grace  
is Jesus my redeemer  
There is no more  
for heaven now to give  
He is my joy  
my righteousness and freedom  
My steadfast love  
my deep and boundless peace  
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
For my life is wholly bound to his  
Oh how strange and divine  
I can sing all is mine  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

2. The night is dark  
but I am not forsaken  
For by my side the Saviour he will stay  
I labour on in weakness and rejoicing  
For in my need his power is displayed  
To this I hold my  
Shepherd will defend me  
Through the deepest valley he will lead  
Oh the night has been won  
and I shall overcome  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

3. No fate I dread I know I am forgiven  
The future sure the price  
it has been paid  
For Jesus bled and suffered  
for my pardon  
And he was raised  
to overthrow the grave  
To this I hold my sin has been defeated  
Jesus now and ever is my plea  
Oh the chains are released  
I can sing I am free  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

4. With every breath  
I long to follow Jesus  
For he has said  
that he will bring me home  
And day by day  
I know he will renew me  
Until I stand with joy before the throne  
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus  
All the glory evermore to him  
When the race is complete  
still my lips shall repeat  
Yet not I but through Christ in me

# THE BLESSING & SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

## God's Promise of Blessing

*Romans 15:13*

## 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 – Amy Gustafson | 11:15 – Oakwood Musicians

# OAKWOOD LIVESTREAM AVAILABLE

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

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**HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?**

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# GET >>>> CONNECTED



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FIRST NAME

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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?

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## WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING AT OAKWOOD?

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

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