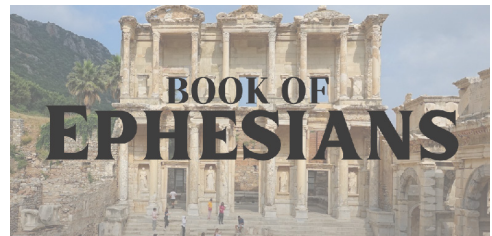


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Oakwood
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
JANUARY 21, 2024



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.

Get connected on Church Center: 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.



Children in Worship: *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.*

January 21, 2024

Prelude	8:30 – Rick Betts 11:15 – Oakwood Musicians
Welcome and Announcements	Congregational Meeting
Silent Time of Reflection	Preparing our hearts for worship

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

God's Word of Invitation

Isaiah 61:10-11

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

From All That Dwell below the Skies

Hymn #7

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

Only a Holy God

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1. Who else commands
all the hosts of heaven
Who else could make
every king bow down
Who else can whisper
and darkness trembles
Only a Holy God

2. What other glory
consumes like fire
What other power
can raise the dead
What other name
remains undefeated
Only a Holy God

CHORUS

Come and behold Him
The One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy
Forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

3. Who else could rescue
me from my failing
Who else would offer
His only Son
Who else invites me to
call Him Father
Only a Holy God
Only my Holy God!

CHORUS

Our Prayer of Adoration

Rev Ben Lee

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God's Law

Our Prayer of Confession

God's Promise to Pardon

James 4:7

Silent Prayer

Romans 8:37-39

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

God, Be Merciful to Me

Hymn #486

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

In Christ Alone

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1. In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest
Drought and storm
What heights of love,
what depths of peace
When fears are stilled,
When strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

2. In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

3. There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious
Blood of Christ

4. No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

THE BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

Responsive Reading - Westminster Shorter Catechism, Questions 63-66

Q. 63. What is the fifth commandment?

A. The fifth commandment is: Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the Lord your God is giving you.

Q. 64. What does the fifth commandment require?

A. The fifth commandment requires us to respect and treat others, whether above, below, or equal to us, as their position or our relationship to them demands.

Q. 65. What does the fifth commandment forbid?

A. The fifth commandment forbids being disrespectful to or not treating others as their position or relationship to us demands.

Q. 66. What is the reason for the fifth commandment?

A. The reason for the fifth commandment is the promise of long life and prosperity, if these glorify God and are for the good of those who obey this commandment.

God's Promise to Hear

Isaiah 43:1-2

Prayer of Petition

Rev. Richard Smith

God's Promise to Provide

Psalms 20:7

Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

God, in the Gospel of His Son

Hymn #141

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

Be Thou My Vision

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1. Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

2. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

3. Be Thou my battle shield, sword for the fight
Be Thou my dignity, Thou my delight
Thou my soul's Shelter, Thou my high tower,
Raise Thou me heavenward,
O power of my power

4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

5. High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

THE WORD OF LIFE*

Ephesians 6:10-18a

Senior Pastor, Rev. Dan Kiehl

ORDINARY SPIRITUAL WARFARE

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints.

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC*

Stand Up, My Soul; Shake Off Your Fears

Hymn #577

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC*

O Church Arise

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1. O church arise
And put your armor on
Hear the call of Christ our Captain
For now the weak
Can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold whose battle cry is Love
Reaching out to those in darkness

2. Our call to war
To love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword
That makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor
When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have
The prize for which He died
An inheritance of nations

3. Come see the cross
Where love and mercy meet
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see His foes
Lie crushed beneath His feet
For the Conqueror has risen
And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerges from the grave
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him

4. So Spirit come
Put strength in every stride
Give grace for every hurdle
That we may run
With faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of His grace
We hear their calls
And hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory

THE BLESSING & SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

God's Promise of Blessing

1 Peter 5:8-11

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



SAVE THE DATE
February 2, 6:30 pm

Oakwood’s Annual Congregational and Corporate Meeting will take place on February 2 at 6:30 pm. Additionally, please also join us in the Gathering Space for a pizza dinner and fellowship time at 5:30 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Kiehl or one of the Elders. Everyone is invited to join us for this meeting, but only members may vote.

OAKWOOD ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE

Online giving is available by going to www.oakwoodpca.org/give

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

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

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GET >>>> CONNECTED



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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
- 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!

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