

**GROWING
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OUT ROOTS**



Oakwood
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MARCH 24, 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 or talk to someone at the Welcome Center.*

March 24, 2024

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

Welcome and Announcements Easter Week Services

Silent Time of Reflection Preparing our hearts for worship

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

God's Word of Invitation *Psalms 29:1-2, 10-11*

Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings,

ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name;

worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness...

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood;

the Lord sits enthroned as king forever.

May the Lord give strength to His people!

May the Lord bless His people with peace!

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Hymn #235

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

God So Loved

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1. Come all you weary,
Come all you thirsty
Come to the well
That never runs dry
Drink of the water,
Come and thirst no more

2. Come all you sinners,
Come find His mercy
Come to the table, He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness,
Find what you're looking for

CHORUS

For God so loved
The world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him
Will live forever

3. Bring all your failures,
Bring your addictions
Come lay them down
At the foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there
With open arms

CHORUS 2

For God so loved
The world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us
Whoever believes in Him
Will live forever
The power of hell forever defeated
Now it is well, I'm walking in
freedom
For God so loved
God so loved the world

BRIDGE

Praise God, Praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, Praise Him
For the wonders of His love

CHORUS 2

Our Prayer of Adoration

Rev. Dan Kiehl

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God's Law

Romans 6:1-2

Our Prayer of Confession

Silent Prayer

God's Promise to Pardon

Romans 6:5-7

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

Man of Sorrows! What a Name

Hymn #246

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

Hallelujah for the Cross

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1. Up to the hill of Calvary,
My Savior went courageously
And there he bled and died for me,
Hallelujah for the cross
And on that day
the world was changed,
A final, perfect lamb was slain
Let earth and heaven now proclaim,
Hallelujah for the cross

CHORUS

Hallelujah for the war He fought,
Love has won, Death has lost
Hallelujah for the souls He bought,
Hallelujah for the cross

2. What good I've done
could never save,
My debt too great for deeds to pay
But God, my Savior, made a way,
Hallelujah for the cross
A slave to sin, my life was bound,
But all my chains fell to the ground
When Jesus' blood
came flowing down,
Hallelujah for the cross

CHORUS

3. And when I breathe my final breath,
I'll have no need to fear that rest
This hope will guide me in-to death,
Hallelujah for the cross

CHORUS

THE BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

Responsive Reading

Titus 2:11-14

Leader: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people,

God's People: training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,

Leader: waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

God's People: Who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession who are zealous for good works.

God's Promise to Hear

John 10:14-15

Prayer of Petition

Elder Tim Eshelman

God's Promise to Provide

Ezekiel 34:15-16

Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

11:15 CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Cling To Christ

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1. Father, I can come to You
And boast of deeds -- I've done
In my pride I strive to earn
The favor Christ -- has won
He alone pleads my acceptance
All my works -- aside
So I come with empty hands
And I cling -- to Christ

2. Father, I can go astray
And battle need -- less fears
Voices tell me, I'm condemned
And that I can't -- draw near
But Your Spirit calls me homeward
With Your words -- of life
Jesus bore my every sin
So, I cling -- to Christ

3. Father, all my earthly aims
In time will turn -- to dust
Let me learn that loss is gain
For those who know -- Your love
All the treasures of this world will
Never sa-tisfy
You alone are endless joy
So, I cling -- to Christ

You alone are endless joy
So, I cling -- to Christ

CHORUS

It's more than I -- can do
To keep my hold -- on You
But all my hope -- and peace
Is that You cling -- to me
It's more than I -- can do
To keep my hold -- on You
But all my hope -- and peace
Is that You cling -- to me

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator

Hymn #97

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

O God Of Mercy Hear Our Plea

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1. O God we've seen Your faithfulness
You brought us from the wilderness
But now our faith is frail and weak
O God of mercy hear our plea

3. We join creation's longing groan
To take Your ransomed children home
For then the eyes of all will see
The God of mercy hears our plea

2. When will You comfort our distress
How long until the promised rest
We cry to You from deepest need
O God of mercy hear our plea

CHORUS

CHORUS

Abba Father our Redeemer
In this barren land
Be our hope and strength
Until glory we will trust and sing
Abba Father hear our plea

GOD GROWS HIS CHURCH

8:30 SERVICE

Membership Vows and Baptisms

Eli and Jesse Falb

We Praise His Work

Rev. Ben Lee

THE WORD OF LIFE*

Galatians 2:15-21

Dr. Robert Gustafson

THE PROBLEM OF GRACE

¹⁵ We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶ yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. ¹⁷ But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we too were found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸ For if I rebuild what I tore down, I prove myself to be a transgressor. ¹⁹ For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. ²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹ I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose.

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC*

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Hymn #679

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC*

Before The Throne Of God Above

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1. Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea;
A great High Priest whose name is love,
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands;
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heav'n He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

3. Behold Him there the Risen Lamb,
My perfect spotless, Righteousness.
The great unchangeable I Am,
The King of Glory and of grace.
One with Himself, I cannot die,
My soul is purchased by His blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God.
With Christ my Savior and my God.

2. When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within.
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free.
For God the Just is satisfied.
To look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

THE BLESSING & SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

God's Promise of Blessing

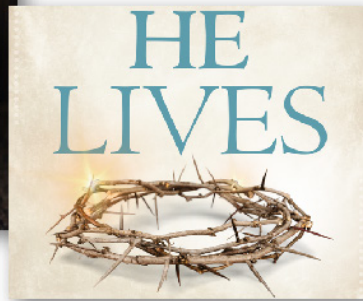
1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

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 – Jenny Choi | 11:15 – Oakwood Musicians



Come to our **Oakwood Family Maundy Thursday Communion Service on March 28 at 6:30 pm.** We will “break bread” together around the table. This year each person will sit around a table during the service as we receive Communion together as the family of God. All are encouraged to attend.

Join us for **Easter Sunday Worship Service** at our usual worship service times:
Oakwood - 8:30 am and 11:15 am.



Join us on, **March 31, Easter Sunday** for an Easter Fellowship Hour. Please bring your favorite pastry or fruit to share for a continental breakfast **from 9:45 am to 11:00 am in place of Sunday School.** This will be a church-wide fellowship event as we celebrate our Risen Savior together.

OAKWOOD ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE

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

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 or sign up on the website at 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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GET >>>> CONNECTED



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FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

EMAIL

PHONE

ADDRESS

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
- 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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