

GROWING BEARING BRANCHING OUT ROOTS



Oakwood
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

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Mission to the World

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.*

September 17, 2023

Prelude

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

Welcome and Announcements

DJ Barger - Trivia Night Oct. 20

Silent Time of Reflection

Preparing our hearts for worship

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

God's Word of Invitation

Psalm 93

The Lord reigns; he is robed in majesty;

the Lord is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.

Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice;

the floods lift up their roaring.

Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea,

the Lord on high is mighty!

Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house,

O Lord, forevermore.

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

Jesus Shall Reign

Hymn #441

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Words: Joachim Neander, 1680, Music: Lobe den Herren, Ander Theil des Erneueren Gesangbuch, 1665. | CCLI License No. 478868

1. Praise to the Lord, The Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, For He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, Now to His temple draw near;
Join me in glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, Yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen, How all thy longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriends thee.
4. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, Come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen, Sound from His people again,
Gladly forever adore Him.

Our Prayer of Adoration

Pastor Ben Lee

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God's Law

Romans 3:10-11, 19-2

Our Prayer of Confession

Silent Prayer

God's Promise to Pardon

Romans 3:21-25

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 BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

Responsive Reading - Westminster Shorter Catechism, Questions 49-52

Question 49: What is the second commandment?

Answer: The second commandment is: You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep My commandments.

Question 50: What does the second commandment require?

Answer: The second commandment requires us to receive, respectfully perform, and preserve completely and purely all the regulations for religion and worship that God has established in His word.

Question 51: What does the second commandment forbid?

Answer: The second commandment forbids our worshiping God with images or in any other way not established in His word.

Question 52: What are the reasons for the second commandment?

Answer: The reasons for the second commandment are that God totally rules over us, that we belong to Him, and that He is eager to be worshiped correctly.

God's Promise to Hear

John 15:7

Prayer of Petition

Rev. Richard Smith

God's Promise to Provide

John 15:8-9

Our Tithes and Offerings

Jim and Karen Weaver

Evidences Of Grace

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

The Man Who Once Has Found Abode

Hymn #90

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

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1. Jesus, I my cross have taken,
All to leave and follow Thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken,
Thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition,
All I've sought or hoped or known.
Yet how rich is my condition!
God and heaven are still my own.

4. Haste thee on from grace to glory,
Armed by faith, and winged by prayer.
Heaven's eternal days before thee,
God's own hand shall guide us there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission,
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days,
Hope shall change to glad fruition,
Faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

2. Let the world despise and leave me,
They have left my Savior, too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me;
Thou art not, like them, untrue.
O while Thou dost smile upon me,
God of wisdom, love and might,
Foes may hate and friends disown me,
Show Thy face and all is bright.

3. Soul, then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station,
Something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee,
Think what Father's smiles are thine,
Think that Jesus died to win thee,
Child of heaven, canst thou repine.

THE WORD OF LIFE*

Psalm 130

Rev. Jim Weaver
West African Regional Director for Mission to the World

A PSALM OF ASCENTS FROM THE DEPTHS OF DESPAIR

¹ Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!

² O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive

to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

³ If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,

O Lord, who could stand?

⁴ But with you there is forgiveness,

that you may be feared.

⁵ I wait for the Lord, my soul waits,

and in his word I hope;

⁶ my soul waits for the Lord

more than watchmen for the morning,

more than watchmen for the morning.

⁷ O Israel, hope in the Lord!

For with the Lord there is steadfast love,

and with him is plentiful redemption.

⁸ And he will redeem Israel

from all his iniquities.

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC*

Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground

Hymn #518

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC*

Abide With Me

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1. Abide with me;
fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens;
Lord with me abide.
When other helpers
fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

2. Thou on my head,
in early youth didst smile;
And, though rebellious,
and perverse meanwhile,
Thou hast not left me,
though I oft left Thee,
On to the close Lord, abide with me.

3. I fear no foe,
with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight,
tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death?
Where grave thy victory?
I triumph still, abide with me.

4. Hold Thou Thy cross,
before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom,
and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and
earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me.

THE BLESSING & SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

God's Promise of Blessing

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

FEELING SMART? COME OUT FOR OAKWOOD'S

TRIVIA

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

Dinner
Available
at 6:00 pm
Trivia Begins
at 6:30 pm

THEME:
GENERATION GAP

Great way to check out
Oakwood's small groups.
Free Childcare!

PRIZES AWAIT THE
WINNING TEAM AND OTHERS!
Save the Date! RSVP Coming Soon

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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RUF International



HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

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

GET > > > > CONNECTED



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

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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