



PHILIPPIANS

summer series



Oakwood

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 17, 2026

WELCOME TO OAKWOOD

The Oakwood church family is multi-generational and multi-cultural. We are singles, young couples just starting out, families of all ages, and retirees. Every year we welcome Penn State undergrads and grad students from all over the world. We are all different but united by an earnest quest to know and serve our Lord.

*By God's grace, we long 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.*

For Those With Small Children

Nursery

Ages 7 months to 2 years

(located outside the Sanctuary)

and

Childrens Bible Time

Ages 3 years to 1st grade

(in room 126)

Is Available During the Sermon

Prelude

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

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Time of Reflection

Preparing our hearts for worship

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

God's Word of Invitation

Revelation 4:8,11; 5:12-13

“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come!”

“Worthy are You, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for You created all things,
and by Your will they existed and were created.”

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!”

“To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear

Hymn #368

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

Christus Victor (Amen)

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1. O Most High King of the ages
Great I AM God of wonders
By the blood You have redeemed us
Led us through mighty waters
Our strength our song
Our sure salvation

3. O Most High King of the nations
Robed in praise crowned with splendor
On that day who will not tremble
When You stand Christ the Victor
Who was and is and is forever

CHORUS 1

Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing honor glory power
For the battle You have won
Hallelujah Amen

2. O Most High dwelling among us
Son of man sent for sinners
By Your blood You have redeemed us
Spotless Lamb mighty Savior
Who lived who died
Who rose victorious

CHORUS 2

Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing honor glory power
For the battle You have won
Hallelujah
With every tribe and every tongue
We join the anthem of the angels
In the triumph of the Son
Hallelujah Amen

CHORUS 2

Our Prayer of Adoration

Rev. Dan Kiehl

THE CONFESSION OF SIN & ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

God's Law

Luke 9:25-26

Prayer of Confession

God's Promise to Pardon

1 John 1:9

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC

I Am Not Skilled to Understand

Hymn #459

11:15 SERVICE MUSIC

He Will Hold Me Fast

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1. When I fear my faith will fail
Christ will hold me fast
When the tempter would prevail
He will hold me fast
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path
For my love is often cold
He must hold me fast

3. For my life He bled and died
Christ will hold me fast
Justice has been satisfied
He will hold me fast
Raised with Him to endless life
He will hold me fast
Till our faith is turned to sight
When he comes at last

CHORUS

He will hold me fast
He will hold me fast
For my Savior loves me so
He will hold me fast

CHORUS

2. Those He saves are His delight
Christ will hold me fast
Precious in His holy sight
He will hold me fast
He'll not let my soul be lost
His Promises shall last
Bought by Him at such a cost
He will hold me fast

CHORUS

THE BLESSINGS OF REDEMPTION

Westminster Catechism

Responsive Reading

Q. 65. What special benefits do the members of the invisible Church enjoy by Christ?

A. The members of the invisible Church, by Christ, enjoy union and communion with him in grace and glory.

Q. 66. What is that union which the elect have with Christ?

A. The union which the elect have with Christ is the work of God's grace, whereby they are spiritually and mystically, yet really and inseparably, joined to Christ as their head and husband; which is done in their effectual calling.

Q. 69. What is the communion in grace, which the members of the invisible Church have with Christ?

A. The communion in grace, which the members of the invisible Church have with Christ, is their partaking of the virtue of his mediation, in their justification, adoption, sanctification, and whatever else in this life manifests their union with him.

God's Promise to Hear

Psalm 42:5

Prayer of Petition

Rev. Richard Smith

God's Promise to Provide

Psalm 62:1-2

Our Tithes and Offerings*

Congregational Song

8:30 CONGREGATIONAL SONG*

God, in the Gospel of His Son

Hymn #141

11:15 CONGREGATIONAL SONG*

The Compassion Hymn

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1. There is an everlasting kindness
You lavished on us
When the radiance of heaven
Came to rescue the lost
You called the sheep without
A shepherd to leave their distress
For Your streams of forgiveness
And the shade of Your rest

2. And with compassion for the hurting
You reached out Your hand
As the lame ran to meet You
And the dead breathed again
You saw behind the eyes of
Sorrow and shared in our tears
Heard the sigh of the weary
Let the children draw near

CHORUS

What boundless love
What fathomless grace
You have shown us
O God of compassion
Each day we live
An offering of praise
As we show to the world
Your compassion

3. We stood beneath the cross of Calvary
And gazed on Your face
At the thorns of oppression
And the wounds of disgrace
For surely You have borne our suffering
And carried our grief
As You pardoned the scoffer
And showed grace to the thief

CHORUS

4. How beautiful the feet
That carry this gospel of peace
To the fields of injustice
And the valleys of need
To be a voice of hope and healing
To answer the cries
Of the hungry and helpless
With the mercy of Christ

CHORUS

GOD GROWS HIS CHURCH

8:30 SERVICE

Baptism

God Seals His Promise

Ruby Hagerup

Rev. Ben Lee

**The Ushers will come forward during the offering.*

**Children are excused to go to nursery (7 mo.-2 yrs) and Childrens Bible Time (3 yrs-1st grade) during the sermon.*

THE WORD OF LIFE

Philippians 1:12-18

Associate Pastor Rev. Ben Lee

CHRIST IS PROCLAIMED

¹² I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, ¹³ so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ. ¹⁴ And most of the brothers, having become confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.

¹⁵ Some indeed preach Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from good will.

¹⁶ The latter do it out of love, knowing that I am put here for the defense of the gospel. ¹⁷ The former proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but thinking to afflict me in my imprisonment. ¹⁸ What then? Only that in every way, whether in pretense or in truth, Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice.

8:30 SERVICE MUSIC*

Be Thou My Vision

Hymn #642

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 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

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

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

CHORUS

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

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

Bible Passage | Sunday, May 24, 2026

Philippians 1:19-30

Thank You Sunday School Teachers

Today marks the end
of our Sunday School
session for Spring.

Thank You Teachers
For all you have done to teach
God's word.

Please keep an eye out for our
New Sessions for the Fall of 2026

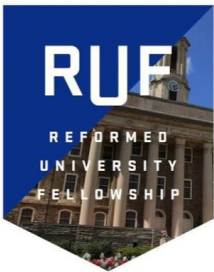




The Session (Elders and Pastors) set a goal earlier this year to help Oakwood grow in Christ-exalting, member-strengthening connectedness and strive toward a goal of “Everybody Has Somebody.” If you are not already connected to a small group we encourage you to join one this fall.



Use the QR Code for more information on how to connect.



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

Contact Matt Dabiero: matt.dabiero@ruf.org

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WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING AT OAKWOOD?

Learn about ministry events going on throughout the week, and more about our church with the Church Center app & website!
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