

# OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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August 22, 2021

Worship Bulletin

10:30 a.m.

**Gathering Music** Brian, John, and Paul  
**Welcome** Rev. Erin Counihan  
**Prelude** *Meditation on "Kedron"* Susan Brown  
**Call to Worship** *(Inspired by Psalm 84)* Dena Roper

One: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

**Many: My soul longs, indeed it faints for the courts of the Lord;**

One: My heart and my body sing for joy to the living God.

**Many: And when I need rest, I find it in God's loving embrace.**

One: I find strength in you, Holy God.

**Many: I find hope in your steadfast presence.**

One: A day in your presence is better than a thousand elsewhere.

**Many: And so, I long to be with you, O God.**

One: I am here this morning to be with you, O God.

**Many: How lovely is your dwelling place, how hopeful is your presence.**

One: Come, dear friends, and let us worship our God.

**Song** *How Lovely, Lord* Donna Cook  
**Prayer of Confession** Oak Hill Community

**God of Grace, we gather in your presence, we seek your wisdom, and we trust in your love. But we have moments when we doubt, when we forget, and when we refuse your way. Forgive us for every time we have wandered away. Forgive us for all the ways we do not listen. Forgive us for the ways we have contributed to the suffering of your children and of your creation. Help us to be faithful. Help us to work for peace. Help us to be bold in proclaiming justice and hope. Help us to share your love with all the world. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen. (Time for silent confession and prayer)**

**Assurance of Pardon** Rev. Erin Counihan  
**Peace** Oak Hill Community  
**Time for Growing Disciples** Rev. Erin Counihan  
**Scripture** Ephesians 6:10-20  
*(See reverse for printed reading)* Oak Hill Community

**Sermon** Rev. Erin Counihan  
**Song** *You Are My King* Susan Brown  
**Offering** *You can make an offering online or place your offering in the plate on the table in the back of the sanctuary.* Oak Hill Community

**Prayers of the People** Oak Hill Community  
**Announcements** Rev. Erin Counihan  
**Benediction** Rev. Erin Counihan  
**Postlude** *Here Am I, Send Me* Susan Brown

*Thank you for participating today in worship with Oak Hill. You are invited to join us outside for a bit of fellowship after the service. Please check our website for more info and updates: [www.oakhillpcusa.org](http://www.oakhillpcusa.org).*

## Ephesians 6:10-20

Voice 1: Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power.

Voice 2: Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

**All: For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.**

Voice 1: Therefore, take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.

Voice 2: Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness.

**All: As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace.**

Voice 1: With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

Voice 2: Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

**All: Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.**

Voice 1: Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains.

Voice 2: Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

Voice 1: The Word of God, for the people of God.

**All: Thanks be to God.**