

OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 26, 2021

Worship Bulletin

10:30 a.m.

Gathering Music

Brian, John, and Paul

Welcome

Rev. Erin Counihan

Prelude

Savior, Source of Every Blessing

Susan Brown

Call to Worship

Sandy Kay

One: In hope and peace we gather this day.

Many: May our God greet us here!

One: With blessings and joy we gather this day!

Many: We find God in song and story!

One: **In grief and worry we gather this day.**

Many: We find God in this community.

One: We come as we are, we gather together, to be with God, in this place, on this day.

Many: We gather together to worship our God! O God, won't you meet us here!

One: Let us worship the Lord!

Song

Panis Angelicus

Valery Welch

Prayer of Confession

Oak Hill Community

Gracious God, hear our prayer. We confess that there are times we don't understand, and also times when we choose to ignore your will. There are moments when we stumble and situations where we cause others to stumble. We get so caught up pursuing our own agendas and desires and neglect our neighbors, our community, and your creation. Forgive us, O Lord. My your mercy, forgive us and restore us. Guide us back to your path, strengthen us by your faith, and renew us by your love. Now and always, Amen.

Time for silent confession and prayer.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Erin Counihan

Peace

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Time for Growing Disciples

Rev. Erin Counihan

Scripture

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

(see reverse for full text)

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Sermon

Rev. Erin Counihan

Song

We Come To Worship You

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.

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Prayers of the People

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Announcements

Rev. Erin Counihan

Benediction

Rev. Erin Counihan

Postlude

Thou Art Worthy

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.

First Reading: James 5:13-20

One: Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven.

Many: Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.

One: Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

Many: My siblings, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

One: The Word of God for the People of God.

Many: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading Mark 9:38-50

³⁸John said to him, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. ⁴⁰Whoever is not against us is for us. ⁴¹For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

⁴²"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, ⁴⁸where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

⁴⁹"For everyone will be salted with fire. ⁵⁰Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

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