

## OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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December 12, 2021

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent

10:30 a.m.

**Gathering Music**

Brian, John, and Paul

**Welcome**

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

**Lighting of the Advent Candles**

Sarah, Millie, and Lucie

**Prelude**

*People Look East*

Susan Brown

**Call to Worship** (based on Isaiah 12:2-6)

Dena Roper

One: Surely God is our salvation;

**Many: We will trust, and will not be afraid,**

One: For the LORD GOD is our strength and our might;

**Many: The LORD has become our salvation.**

One: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation, and you will say in that day:

**Many: Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.**

One: Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion,

**Many: For great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

**Call to Confession**

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

**Prayer of Confession**

Oak Hill Community

**Holy One, sometimes, we admit, we are the ones who need to be brought low, taken down a peg, reminded that the world does not revolve around us. Sometimes we need to remember that we are privileged by our nationality, our race, our wealth: the accidents of our birth, which we did not do anything to deserve. On this day of joy, strip away our false pride and our complacency, and help us to stand before you empty-handed and open-hearted....**

**Holy One, sometimes, we feel insignificant, carried along by the currents of the world's violence and indifference. We feel powerless, and afraid to speak out, because no one is listening, and what is one voice, anyway?**

**On this day of joy, remind us that one voice can carry far, when speaking the truth in love. Fill us with courage to sing your song, and to proclaim the love of Jesus, more powerful than all the world's armies and billionaires. Amen. (Time for silent confession.)**

**Assurance of Pardon**

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

**Peace**

Oak Hill Community

**Time for Growing Disciples**

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

### *An Advent Cantata*

Wendy Barrow, Donna Cook, Toby Eckert, Matt Hanify, Mark Hoegger, Brian Heuckroth,  
Sandy Kay, Avery Smith, Josh Smith, Bette Welch, Valery Welch, Will Woodward

<b>Offering</b>	<i>You can make an offering online or place your offering in the plate on the table in the back of the sanctuary.</i>	Oak Hill Community
<b>Prayers of the People</b>		Oak Hill Community
<b>The Lord's Prayer</b>		Oak Hill Community
	<b>Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.</b>	
<b>Moment for Mission</b>		Brian Heuckroth
<b>Announcements</b>		Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers
<b>Benediction</b>		Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Come, Come, Immanuel</i>	Susan Brown

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Our Christmas cantata is a selection of traditional and contemporary carols celebrating the birth of Christ. Matt Hanify's narration is taken from Marty Parks' "The Christmas Story." Mark Hoegger's accordion solo was arranged by Larry Hallar.

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*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).*