

# OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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January 2, 2022

Second Sunday of Christmas

10:30 a.m.

**Gathering Music**

Brian, John, and Paul

**Welcome**

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

**Prelude**

*Jesus, Jesus, Rest Your Head*

Susan Brown

**Call to Worship** (based on Ephesians 1:3-14)

Brian Heuckroth

One: God's goodness is built into the foundation of Creation!

**Many: God chose us in Christ from the beginning.**

One: God calls us blameless, holy, and loved.

**Many: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all!**

One: God has made an eternal promise to gather all things.

**Many: God will reconcile all things on earth and heaven in the fullness of time.**

One: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all!

**Many: In Jesus Christ we have heard the word of Truth.**

One: In the Holy Spirit breathed on us and diverse peoples throughout the world,  
God's promise has been sealed.

**Many: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all!**

**Special Music**

*Call The Baby Jesus*

Wendy Barrow

**Call to Confession**

Rev. David Gerth

**Prayer of Confession** (suggested by John 1:1-18)

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**God's Word came to God's own people, and the people did not accept the Word. We have not fully accepted you, our Sovereign Christ. We cannot abide by your commandments. We do not know how to love you, our neighbors, or ourselves. We have not fully accepted you, Ruler of Peace. We wage war on the most vulnerable. In ourselves we wage war on vulnerability itself. We have not fully accepted you, Light of the World. We block your light shining in us, putting barriers between us: racism, sexism, heterosexism, cissexism, ableism, ageism. We are caught in systems beyond our control. Holy Word of God, call us to yourself once again!**

(Time for silent confession.)

**Assurance of Pardon**

Rev. David Gerth

**Peace**

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**Time for Growing Disciples**

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

**Scripture**

Psalm 147:12-20

Brian Heuckroth

**Sermon**

Rev. David Gerth

**Meditation**

*Joy Has Dawned*

Susan Brown

**Offering**

*You can make your offering gift online at  
[www.oakhillpcusa.org](http://www.oakhillpcusa.org) or mail your check to the church.*

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**The Lord's Supper**

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**Invitation to the Table**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(The pastor will continue in prayer....)

**Prayers of the People**

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**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.**

**Words of Institution**

**Sharing the Meal**

**Prayer After Communion**

**Holy and astounding God, at this table, in this meal, we have been met by Christ -- the reflection of your glory, the imprint of your being. As we go from this place may our lives be a joyful song, proclaiming the good news of your righteousness and peace for all the world. Amen.**

**Announcements**

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

**Benediction**

Rev. David Gerth

**Postlude**

*Ding Dong! Merrily on High*

Susan Brown

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**Scripture Reading**

Psalm 147:12-20

<sup>12</sup> Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem!  
Praise your God, O Zion!  
<sup>13</sup> For he strengthens the bars of your gates;  
he blesses your children within you.  
<sup>14</sup> He grants peace within your borders;  
he fills you with the finest of wheat.  
<sup>15</sup> He sends out his command to the earth;  
his word runs swiftly.  
<sup>16</sup> He gives snow like wool;  
he scatters frost like ashes.  
<sup>17</sup> He hurls down hail like crumbs—  
who can stand before his cold?  
<sup>18</sup> He sends out his word, and melts them;  
he makes his wind blow, and the waters flow.  
<sup>19</sup> He declares his word to Jacob,  
his statutes and ordinances to Israel.  
<sup>20</sup> He has not dealt thus with any other nation;  
they do not know his ordinances.  
Praise the LORD!

*Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.*

***People: Thanks be to God!***

*Thank you for participating today in online worship with Oak Hill. Please check our website for more information and updates: [www.oakhillpcusa.org](http://www.oakhillpcusa.org).*

*The Call to Worship and the Prayer of Confession this morning are based on "Service Prayers for the Second Sunday after Christmas" provided by the United Church of Christ.*