

OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 23, 2022

Third Sunday after Epiphany

10:30 a.m.

Gathering Music

Brian, John, and Paul

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

Prelude

How Majestic Is Your Name

Susan Brown

Call to Worship

Carolyn Ream

One: We meet one another here today, bringing the whole of who we are as members united in one body.

Many: If there were only one, where would the body be?

One: We bring each of our individual gifts, given to us by God to serve.

Many: If there were only one gift, how would we be the church?

One: Gather us in, Spirit of Wisdom, so that we may be the one body you have created.

Many: For we are many and still one.

Special Music

Savior, Source of Every Blessing

Kim Smith, flutist

Call to Confession

Donna Cook

Prayer of Confession

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Creator God, we know that we are made by you to work with one another as one body. But, too often, we find it easier to stay with what feels familiar or comfortable. We set priorities that serve our own interests, dividing the body as we say to other members, "I have no need of you." When we see pain and injustice, we try not to share in suffering. Yet, we are eager to share in celebrations we have neglected to earn. We cling to our individualism and abandon the call to be generous caretakers of the whole of your creation. Guide us back to the path you have set out for us to follow. Embolden us to honor both the gifts in ourselves as well as the gifts in others. Strengthen us to live into our discomfort so that we may be the one body you have created us to be. Amen.

(Time for silent confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

Donna Cook

Peace

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Time for Growing Disciples

Donna Cook

Scripture

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Carolyn Ream

Sermon

Donna Cook

Meditation

In Christ Alone

Susan Brown

Offering

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Prayers of the People

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The Lord's Prayer

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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.

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

Benediction

Donna Cook

Postlude

Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord

Susan Brown

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a (NRSV)

12 For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

14 Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵If the foot were to say, ‘Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body’, that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶And if the ear were to say, ‘Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body’, that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? ¹⁸But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many members, yet one body. ²¹The eye cannot say to the hand, ‘I have no need of you’, nor again the head to the feet, ‘I have no need of you.’ ²²On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; ²⁴whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, ²⁵that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

27 Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹But strive for the greater gifts.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Call to Worship, Prayer of Confession, Assurance of Pardon and Benediction in this service were written for the Office of the General Assembly for Per Capita Sunday 2022 by Kate Trigger Duffert.

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