

OAK HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 3, 2022

Fifth Sunday in Lent

10:30 a.m.

Gathering Music

Brian, John, and Paul

Welcome

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

Prelude

Gymnopedie No. 1 by Erik Satie

John Holt

Call to Worship (from Psalm 1126)

Toby Eckert

One: When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

Many: Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;

One: Then it was said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

Many: The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.

One: Once again, let us remember the great things the LORD has done, and let us rejoice.

Many: Amen!

***Opening Hymn**

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

No. 610

Call to Confession

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

Prayer of Confession

Oak Hill Community

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways to the glory of your holy name. Through Jesus Christ our hope. Amen.

(Time for silent confession.)

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

Peace

Oak Hill Community

Time for Growing Disciples

Sarah Gibson

Special Music

Were You There

Brian, John, and Paul

First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

Toby Eckert

Second Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

Meditation

A Small Favor

John Holt

Offering

*You can make an offering online at www.oakhillpcusa.org,
place it in the plate on the table in the back of the sanctuary,
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

Oak Hill Community

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

Thank you, gracious God, for giving us bread for the journey of these forty days. As we travel on through the wilderness help us to share your grace with others and draw us ever closer to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Announcements

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

*Closing Hymn

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

No. 649

Benediction

Rev. Dr. Alan Meyers

Postlude

Weather Breaks

John Holt

First Scripture Reading

Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. ¹⁹I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Second Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:4b-14

^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

*The Prayer of Confession and the Prayer after Communion today are drawn from the
Book of Common Worship of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).*

Thank you for participating today in online worship with Oak Hill. Please check our website for more information and updates: www.oakhillpcusa.org.

610 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be

dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in t
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak -
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all t
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low a

God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace
 to re - joice; the poor in heart be - lieve
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heave

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This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1739, alt.; Spanish trans. Federico J. Pagura;
 Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee, 2001
 MUSIC: Carl Gottlieb Gläser, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1839
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649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

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As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16-17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it "Faith's Review and Expectation." Much of its current popularity comes from this now-familiar tune, an association that began in 1835.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-4, John Newton, 1772; stanza 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790; Navaho, Albert Tsosie

MUSIC: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1910, alt.

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