

*We are a joyful, inclusive, compassionate community of faith  
seeking to do justice, act mercifully, and walk humbly with our God.  
Loving God...Changing Lives*



**OAK GROVE**  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**November 8, 2020**

**10:45 AM**

**We Gather in God's Name**

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

Anne Fisher

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

Evan Wilkens

**Call to Worship**

Becky Dop

One: People of God, listen: the Lord has done marvelous things.

**All: We will teach our children of the mighty power of God.**

One: May we live in the light of hope for all. Let us worship God.

**Opening Song No. 35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"**

<sup>1</sup> Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty,  
the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him,  
for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear,  
now to his temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration!

<sup>2</sup> Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things  
so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings, yea,  
so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er  
have been granted in what he ordaineth?

<sup>3</sup> Praise ye the Lord!  
O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people  
again;  
gladly for aye we adore him.

**Opening Prayer**

Becky Dop

**O great and loving God, your wisdom is radiant and unfading, seen by those who seek your way. May your light dispel the darkened corners of our world and may we find our way to you through our love for one another. When faithful women and men live in love and work for justice, heaven breaks into earth. Help us keep your light shining throughout our days. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

**We Listen to God's Word**

**Time with Children**

Mary Koon

**Sending Song**

"Near or Far"

*J McKinnon*

**Near or far apart,  
You're always in my heart.  
God's love is here to stay,  
Close and far away.**

**Resting in God's peace,  
Praying for God's hope,  
Serving God's joy,  
United in God's love.**

**Anthem**

"Pie Jesu"

*Webber*

Translation: *Merciful Jesus, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them rest.*

**Scripture**

Matthew 25:1–13

Anne Fisher

**Message**

We Will Leave the Light On For You

Anne Fisher

**Prayers of the People**

Mary Koon

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## We Respond to God's Word

**Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts**

Mary Koon

**Offering Music** "The Prayer"

*Sager/Foster*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Becky Dop

**Loving God, we give you thanks that you have given your faith-filled people a love for justice and the gift of generosity. We thank you for the ways we can spread your love and light into this world. Amen.**

## We Go Out in God's Name

**Closing Song** No. 350 "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning"

<sup>1</sup> **Keep your lamps trimmed and burning;  
keep your lamps trimmed and burning;  
keep your lamps trimmed and burning,  
for the time is drawing nigh.**

<sup>2</sup> **It's our faith makes us happy;  
it's our faith makes us happy;  
it's our faith makes us happy,  
for the time is drawing nigh. (*Refrain*)**

*Refrain:*

**Sisters, don't grow weary;  
brothers, don't grow weary;  
children, don't grow weary,  
for the time is drawing nigh.**

**Benediction**

Anne Fisher

**Sending Song** No. 291 "Spirit of Gentleness"

*Refrain:* **Spirit, spirit of gentleness, blow through the wilderness,  
calling and free. Spirit, spirit of restlessness, stir me from placidness,  
wind, wind on the sea.**

**You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes; from the  
bondage of sorrow the captives dream dreams. Our elders see  
visions; our youth clear their eyes. With bold new decisions,  
your people arise. (*Refrain*)**

**Postlude**



The white rose on the baptismal font commemorates the completion of Baptism for **Richard James Miller** who joined the church triumphant October 31, 2020, "In Life and Death we belong to God."

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Additional participants in worship today include:  
Singer: **Marilyn Twete**;  
Accompanists: **Nancy Hauser** and **Judy Cooper**;  
Sound, Light, Video: **Bob Gerdes** and **Greg Johnson**.

**Chancel flowers** are given by **Jack & Leona Kley**,  
in *memory and honor of Ed Kley and all veterans*, and  
**Sue Powers**, in *memory of her husband Jack Powers*.

### **Election of Officers**

On Sunday, Nov. 8, we will hold a virtual congregational meeting (via Zoom) at noon to elect officers and Nominating Committee at-large members for 2021. We will need to secure a quorum from the congregation to hold elections. Please join us via a computer or smart phone if you are able. If you are unable to join via computer, you can also call in for the webinar; however, voting will take place via a webinar poll.

If you would like to provide a nomination beyond the selections that the Nominating Committee has provided, you are able to do so by contacting Anne Fisher (afisher@oakgrv.org) directly. Any additional nominees must be provided ahead of time and confirm they are willing to be nominated for them to be considered for a vote.

**Join the Zoom Meeting at:** <https://bit.ly/3oVrx6z>

Use Meeting ID: 969 2741 5415 and Password: 604156. For audio only, call 312-626-6799 and use the ID and passcode. Nominees for 2021 are listed below.

Elder: Becky Dop, Emma Wasko, Joey Oslund, Kathy Howell, Jessi McKinnon and Hannah Ervin (youth elder).

Deacon: John Crampton, Verona Stoesz, Lisa Sheff, Amanda Fineran and Nancy Scott.

Nominating Committee At-Large: Patty Nail, Judy Moynihan, Larry Klueh, Bev Heise, Sue Powers and Gar Nordin.

Nominee profiles can be found at: <https://bit.ly/36cxfs8> and the November Oak Leaves.