

*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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Dec. 27, 2020	First Sunday of Christmas	10:45 am
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We Gather in God's Name

Prelude	“Lo! How a Rose E'er Blooming” “Tidings of Joy”	Nancy Hauser & Judy Cooper
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Welcome & Announcements		Anne Fisher
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Lighting of the Christ Candle		Eugene Orr
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Choral Introit	“O Holy Night”	Jessi McKinnon
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Call to Worship		Eugene Orr
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One: Praise God.

**All: Praise God in the heavens. Young and old, strong and infirmed,
praise God.**

One: God's name rises above all else. From here to the Heavens sing
God's praises.

All: Let us gather in joyful abandon to worship God.

Opening Song No. 134 “Joy to the World” (on screens)

¹ Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her king;
let every heart prepare him room,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven and nature sing,
and heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

² Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let all their songs employ,
while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
plains
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat the sounding joy,
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

³ No more let sins and sorrows grow,
nor thorns infest the ground;
he comes to make his blessings flow
far as the curse is found,
far as the curse is found,
far as, far as the curse is found.

⁴ He rules the world with truth and grace,
and makes the nations prove
the glories of his righteousness
and wonders of his love,
and wonders of his love,
and wonders, wonders of his love.

Opening Prayer

Eugene Orr

Wondrous God, we praise you and bless you for the gift of your Son, the true light who enlightens everyone who comes into the world. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

Time for the Young & Young at Heart

Anne Fisher

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.

Choral Anthem

"Love Is Christmas"

Jessi McKinnon

Scripture Lesson

Luke 2:22-40

Eugene Orr

Message

"The Legacy"

Anne Fisher

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anne Fisher

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 in God's Name

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

Anne Fisher

Offering Music

"Stille Nacht" (Silent Night)

Jessi McKinnon

Song of Dedication No. 113

"Angles We Have Heard On High"

¹ Angels we have heard on high, sweetly singing o'er the plains, and the mountains in reply echoing their joyous strains. Gloria in excelsis Deo! Gloria in excelsis Deo!

Prayer of Dedication

Eugene Orr

Loving God, we give you thanks for the light of the world, Jesus Christ, through whom we have received your grace. We dedicate ourselves in ministry to the world, that we may live as heirs of your promises to the honor and glory of your name. Amen.

We Go Assured of God's Promise

Closing Song No. 132 "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice" (*on screens*)

**¹ Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
give ye heed to what we say:
Jesus Christ is born today;
ox and ass before him bow,
and he is in the manger now.
Christ is born today!
Christ is born today!**

**² Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye hear of endless bliss:
Jesus Christ was born for this!**

**He has opened heaven's door,
and we are blest forevermore.
Christ was born for this!
Christ was born for this!**

**³ Good Christian friends, rejoice
with heart and soul and voice;
now ye need not fear the grave:
Jesus Christ was born to save!
Calls you one and calls you all
to gain the everlasting hall.
Christ was born to save!
Christ was born to save!**

Benediction

Anne Fisher

Sending Song No. 151 "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

***Refrain:* O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,
westward leading, still proceeding, guide us to thy perfect light!**

Postlude

Nancy Hauser



Participants in worship today include:

Vocalist: **Jessi McKinnon**;

Liturgist: **Eugene Orr**;

Organist: **Nancy Hauser**;

Pianist: **Judy Cooper**;

Sound, Light, Video: **Greg Johnson, Pierce Flanagan and Derek Flanagan.**

Holiday Hours:

Thursday, Dec. 31: 8:30 am to 12 noon

Friday, Jan. 1: Closed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Virtual Coffee Hour: Join host Larry Klueh Sundays at Noon. Please zoom in to enjoy one another's company and catch up in a relaxed (virtual) way! Join the Zoom meeting at: <https://bit.ly/3nTMrCr>. Use Meeting ID: 896 8075 0816 and Passcode: 323213. For audio only, call 1-312-626-6799 and use the Meeting ID and passcode.

Loaves & Fishes: Oak Grove will be a Meals To-Go site during weekdays (4–7:00 pm shifts) beginning Jan. 4. Want to help? Call the church office (952-888-4621) and leave your name if interested. No firm commitment needed at this time.

Chancel Flower Sign-up for 2021! We will continue to have colorful arrangements for our Sunday worship services, virtual or in-person. Select a date in memory of or in honor of a loved one, group or event. The cost is \$30 due at sign-up. Contact Sharon Fields at 952-831-0504 (a landline) or urbanfields2.1@q.com to sign up and reserve your special date.

Christmas Carols: On Sunday, Jan. 3, we'd like to include some of your favorite Christmas Carols. If you have a suggestion, please send your request Wednesday, Dec. 30 to sgjerset@oakgrv.org.