



**Oakhurst Presbyterian Church USA
Asian American Pacific Islanders Heritage Month
May 15, 2022 Worship**

Order of Worship

Prelude

Matt Wauchope

WE GATHER

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Amantha Barbee

Call to Worship

Rev. Heather Chase

Praise be to God,

Creator of time and space!

Who has set eternity in the human heart.

Who gives us today

in which we can be happy and do good.

Today,

in which we can eat and drink and find satisfaction.

Today,

which is a gift from God.

Let us worship the One who makes everything beautiful in its time.

For everything God does will endure forever.

Forever and ever. Amen.

~Joanna

Invocation

God of all glory, on this first day you began creation, bringing light out of darkness. On this first day you began your new creation, raising Jesus Christ out of the darkness of death. On this Lord's Day grant that we, the people you create by water and the Spirit, may be joined with all your works in praising you for your great glory. Through Jesus Christ, in union with the Holy Spirit, we praise you now and forever. Amen.

Opening Hymn

Praise Ye the Lord # 633

J. Cleveland

OUR HUMANITY

Prayer of Confession & Pardon (From the Confession of 1967 - PCUSA) Rev. Amantha Barbee

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful men and women. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with his people. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which everyone stands convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all.

Wise and virtuous men and women through the ages have sought the highest good in devotion to freedom, justice, peace, truth, and beauty. Yet all human virtue, when seen in the light of God's love in Jesus Christ, is found to be infected by self - interest and hostility. All people, good and bad alike, are in the wrong before God and helpless without God's forgiveness. Thus everyone falls under God's judgment. No one is more subject to that judgment than those who assume that they are guiltless before God or morally superior to others.

Passing of the Peace

THE WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Ruth Anne Foote

Old Testament Reading

Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

Anthem

Spirit, Open My Heart

R. Duck

New Testament Reading

Matthew 7:1-11

Rev. Brady Radford

Sermon:

A Reason, A Season, A Lifetime

IN RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Rev. Heather Chase

Text Your Prayer Requests to: 404-551-3791 or use the "Green Sheets" in the window sills and return to the baskets when completed

Tithes and Offerings

Rev. Amantha Barbee

You may give online at oakhurstpcusa.org/give ~ PayPal oakhurstpcusa@gmail.com ~ CashApp \$oakhurstpcusa ~ Mail 118 2nd Ave. Decatur, GA 30030.

3rd Sunday Hunger Offering Collection - please add your offering to the plate as it is passed with a note on your check or gift to signify it is for Hunger offering.

Song of Praise

Give Thanks # 647

H. Smith

Doxology - Prayer of Thanksgiving

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Christ all people here below

Praise Holy Spirit ever more

Praise Triune God, whom we adore

Final Blessing

Sending Song

Lord, Make Us More Holy #313 (verses 1,2,4)

**Worship Leaders today include: Rev. Brady Radford, Rev. Amantha Barbee, Senior Pastor;
Rev. Heather Chase, Associate Pastor; Matt Wauchope, Musician;
Ruth Anne Foote, Liturgist**

We welcome Rev. Brady Radford to our pulpit today. Rev Brady served as an Interim Associate Pastor for Oakhurst Presbyterian and now is Pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church, in Decatur, and the owner of The Lovewell Collective, counseling practice. They aim to help individuals and organizations build healthy relationships and strategize for positive outcomes. The delight of his life centers on the love Rev Brady shares with his partner and wife, Celestine and three adventurous children, Aniyah, Brayden and Kalia.

Happening this week at Oakhurst Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 15

10:00-10:40 am Children Education in Fellowship Hall

10:00-10:45 am Adult Education in classroom on second floor- AAPI

11:00 am Worship with Guest Rev. Brady Radford

12:00pm Parent & Youth Summer Trip Meeting Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 17

6:00 pm Gospel Choir -virtual- Contact Rev. Dr. [Lisa Allen-McLaurin](#)

7:30 pm Building and Grounds Committee

Wednesday, May 18

10:00 am Liturgical Arts

4:00-5:00pm Business and Finance

4:30-5:30 pm Racial Justice Vigil - Stand with others who know Black Lives Matter

6:30 pm Outreach Committee

7:30 pm Chancel Choir-virtual - Contact **Matthew Wauchope**

Thursday, May 19

10:30 am Prayer Group - Contact Rev. [Heather Chase](#) for more information

6:00 pm Worship Committee

Saturday, May 21

10-11:00 am Racial Justice Vigil - Stand with others who believe Black Lives Matter

2:00 pm Memorial Service for Lorri Mills

Sunday, May 22

10:00-10:40 am Children Education in Fellowship Hall

10:00-10:45 am Adult Education in classroom on second floor- AAPI

11:00 am Worship with Alfred Appiah preaching

Check out the calendar on OneChurch to get more upcoming events

<https://oakhurstpcusa.onechurchsoftware.com/events/calendar?month=10&year=2021>

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