

# OAKLAND AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



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Service for the Lord's Day  
1st Sunday of Advent


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The asterisk (\*) is an invitation to please stand as you are able.

PRELUDE

*The King Shall Come*

arr. David N. Johnson

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jeff Bryan

One: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*GATHERING SONG #88 O Come, O Come, *Emmanuel*, verse 1

O come, O come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel  
that mourns in lonely exile here until the Son of God appear.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP AND LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

Lucinda, Jason, Emma, and Lily Sutton

One: The world says, "All is lost."

All: **God says, "All is loved."**

One: The darkness says, "The light is dying."

All: **The light says, "The fire is catching."**

One: Fear says, "Cover your eyes and ears."

All: **Hope says, "Wait, watch, and listen."**

One: As we light our first Advent candle,  
we pray for the holy hope of God.

All: **Come now, O Child of Mary.**

**Come now, O Prince of Hope.**

\*HYMN #133

*O Come, All Ye Faithful* (vs. 1-3)

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Jane Summey Mullennix

## \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the future, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world.

*Individual, silent prayers of confession.*

We pray in the strong name of Jesus, **Amen.**

## \*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

All: Hallelujah, Amen!

## \*HYMN #581

*Glory Be to the Father*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

### OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 2:1-5

Zoë West

One: The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw  
concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

All: In days to come  
the mountain of the LORD's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains  
and shall be raised above the hills;  
all the nations shall stream to it.

One: Many peoples shall come and say,

All: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,

to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.”

One: For instruction shall go forth out of Zion  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

All: He shall judge between the nations  
and settle disputes for many peoples;  
they shall beat their swords into plowshares  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation;  
neither shall they learn war any more.

One: O house of Jacob, come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD!

One: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

*Let All Mortal Flesh*

arr. John Ferguson

CHILDREN'S TIME / BAPTISM

Mirabelle Eleanor Williams,  
child of Stanley Williams and Kathleen Shields-Williams.

*Two nurseries are available for birth-one years and two-three years. Following the Children's Time, children (4-year-olds - 1<sup>st</sup> graders) are invited to go with their leaders to Kids' Kirk (Scottish for "church"). They may be picked up in Room 105. 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to remain in worship with their families.*

\*HYMN #108

*Of the Father's Love Begotten*

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 24:36-44

SERMON

“Keep Awake!”

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the  
dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of  
God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge  
the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the  
forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life  
everlasting. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

## OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

*The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns*

arr. Ludwig Lenel

*You are invited to bring your pledge and offering forward.*

*You may also give your gifts to God by texting OAPC to 73256,  
through the Church Life mobile app, by mail, online, or in the office.*

## \*DOXOLOGY

Em G C D7 G D G C G  
Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow. Praise God, all crea - tures

5 Am Bm7 Em Am Em B7 Em A7 D Em  
here \_\_\_\_\_ be - low. Praise God a - bove, ye heaven - ly host. Praise

10 D Bm G C Am D7 G D Em Bm G  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Re - joice! Re - joice! Em -

15 C D7 Em D G C G Am Em Bm Em  
man - u - el Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el.

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### \*HYMN #105

*People, Look East*

## \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

*People, Look East*

arr. Barbara Harbach

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## Welcome Guests

Is this your first time worshipping at OAPC?  
Or your second, third, or more, but we don't know how to contact you?  
Please scan the QR code, text "Connect" to 803-710-4900,  
go to: [www.oapc.link/Guest](http://www.oapc.link/Guest) and complete the Connect card.

**Or,** complete the tear-off below and drop in the offering plate as you leave today.  
We'd love to stay in touch and answer any questions you may have  
about Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church.



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