

SEVEN OAKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH January 10, 2021

Welcome! We pray that you will truly experience God's love and grace as you worship!

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Zoom Worshipers: Once worship begins, please do not unmute yourselves. Zoom is very sensitive to sounds coming from our computers and to provide for the most fluid and clear worship experience for everyone, this is a small thing you can do to celebrate this worship opportunity!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dan Loffredo

PRELUDE

When Morning Gilds the Skies

arr. Pilkington

GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS (From Psalm29)

Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer and Rev. Dan Loffredo

Leader: Honor the LORD for the glory of his name. Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness.

People: The voice of the LORD echoes above the sea. The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is maiestic.

Leader: The LORD rules over the floodwaters. The LORD reigns as king forever.

People: The Lord gives his people strength. The Lord blesses them with peace.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of Hope, we thank you for this New Year and for the hope it brings. We thank you for being faithful to us through 2020, and for helping us to make it safely to 2021. If we are honest, we are tired Lord. We are weary. 2020 has worn us out and we don't know if we have the strength to face 2021 the way You want us to. Give us strength and power, Lord of Grace. Give us hope and give us peace. Help us to rely on You and your infinite power for strength, instead of relying on our finite selves. Help us return to the fount of Living Water as many times as we need to during this New Year. We love you Lord, and we ask all these things through Christ our Savior... (Moment for silent personal confession)... Amen.

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hymn:

O worship the King all-glorious above, O gratefully sing God's power and God's love:

Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,

Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; It streams from the hills; it descends to the plain, And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:14-30

Rev. Dan Loffredo

Grant/ Kraus

¹⁴ And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country.

15 And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all.

¹⁶ And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read.

And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written.

- ¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
- to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."
- ²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him.
- And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."
- ²² And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?"
- ²³ And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "Physician, heal yourself." What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well."
- ²⁴ And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown.
- ²⁵ But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶ and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a
- widow.
- And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian."
- ²⁸ When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath.
- ²⁹ And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff.

³⁰ But passing through their midst, he went away.

MESSAGE Hope Has Vision Rev. Dan Loffredo

SPECIAL MUSIC Be Thou With Me Bach/arr. Pilkington

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer

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

Family Promise Video Text Sevenoaks to 73256 or use the SOPC website with this link: https://onrealm.org/SevenOaksPresby/-/give/now

Hymn Our God, Our Help in Ages Past Watts/Croft

Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast. And our eternal home:

Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received its frame, From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.

Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Be our guard while life shall last, And our eternal home.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Rev. Dan Loffredo

POSTLUDE God Is Our Rock Vaughan Williams

MOMENT OF HOLINESS

In Our Thoughts

Zoom worshipers, please remain after worship to greet one another in breakout rooms in fellowship of the Spirit!

Music Notes: Christian worship involves both praise and prayer. Our music gives us a chance to both give our praise to God, and to pray for God's abiding presence, guiding hand and loving care in our lives.

In our continued prayers...

Edith Blanchett Nan Foster
Linda Floyd Scott Wilhide
Daniel and Elizabeth Turk
Several members with Covid

Ed Keelen Al Charles
Joe Gause SOPC Covid Task Force
Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz

Prayer Meetings will continue with Rev. Dan Loffredo!!! Please join us on Wednesdays at Noon via Zoom for our Prayer Meeting.

Prayer Buddies for our youth and children are invited to take some time this month to text, call, email, or inquire how your student is doing in the new year once school has begun. This new school year brings new challenges. How can you be in prayer for one another? Thank you for being a buddy to someone-your love means the world to our young people!

To honor our season of rest this January, there will be no children's SS, official youth programs, or small groups, and a variety of servants will be leading worship throughout this month. We will resume in February with the joy and experiences of discerning God's call for the new year, together over Lent!

Staff meetings will continue each Tuesday at 9:30 am via zoom.

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This Week at SOPC

Sunday

Adult Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. https://zoom.us/j/508111743? pwd=WUpnelhCV2ICTTBKRTczY3I0YU8yZz09

Meeting ID: 508 111 743 Password: 046739 By Phone: 1(646)558-8656 508111743 #

Sunday Service at 11:00 a.m. https://zoom.us/j/743754044?

pwd=bWIHWWJWOFR4UG1zQkZuRVRIaE41dz09

Meeting ID: 743 754 044 Password: 072863 By Phone: 1(646)558-8656 743754044 #

Wednesday

Lunch & Prayer: Wednesday at Noon https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89705113395? pwd=d3JZSTROa3RFVTIvd0U3WnZwNmhnZz09 Meeting ID: 897 0511 3395 Password: 300498 By Phone: 1(301)715-8592 89705113395#

Friday

Lanterns: Fridays at 7:00 a.m. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81316561956? pwd=eHVpcHdtNEkvUExOc0hmbWpaNnhsZz09 Meeting ID: 813 1656 1956 Passcode: 168424