



Oak Hills

PRESBYTERIAN

Longing to Know and Make Known
The Astonishing Grace of God

SUNDAY WORSHIP
May 13, 2018

Welcome!

We are glad you are with us today. Oak Hills is a church of broken people who have been redeemed, and astonished, by God's abundant and free grace offered in the gospel of Jesus Christ. In everything we do, we aim to unpack the greatness and implications of that gospel. In this gospel we encounter two powerful truths that shape our entire lives and relationship with God: we are more sinful and flawed than we ever dared believe, and we are more accepted and loved than we ever dared hope. Our prayer is that these gospel truths would shape us into a community and fellowship worth joining. May you be satisfied in fresh ways today through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

If you are visiting with us today, we would love the chance to get to know you. Please fill out the tear-off contact card in the back of the bulletin and place it in the offering plate. We trust that you will find Oak Hills to be a warm community of people eager to care for you. Let us know if you have any questions.

Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

From the very beginning, Christians have been celebrating the resurrection of Jesus as the foundation of our faith and hope of eternal life. And they celebrated the resurrection for a whole season of seven weeks leading up to the Pentecost. The apostle Paul wrote, "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain" (1 Cor. 15:14). Since Jesus did rise from the dead, we can be confident that God's wrath is satisfied with his death, sin and death have been conquered, and we can enjoy the hope of eternal life.

Have you experienced the joy of the resurrection? I pray that you have and will this morning as we worship our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

–Pastor Dale

FOR YOUR REFLECTION

In working out our text, I must direct you to its most conspicuous metaphor. This world is like a sea—restless, unstable dangerous, and never at one stay. Human affairs may be compared to waves driven with the wind and tossed. As for ourselves, we are the ships which go upon the sea, and are subject to its changes and motions; we are apt to be drifted by currents, driven by winds, and tossed with tempests. We have not yet come to the true *terra firma*, the rest which remains for the people of God. God would not have us carried about with every wind, and therefore He has been pleased to fashion for us an anchor of hope most sure and steadfast, so that we may outride the storm. May God grant that all of us this morning who know the meaning of that anchor feel it holding us fast by its grip within the veil! And may others who have never possessed that anchor before be enabled to cast it overboard this morning, for the first time, and feel throughout all the rest of their lives the strong consolation which such a holdfast is sure to bestow upon the believing heart!

From Charles Spurgeon, *The Anchor*, a sermon preached on May 21, 1876.

GATHERING SONG

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

(LYRICS ON PAGE 4)

10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

WORDS AND MUSIC: MATT REDMAN AND JONAS MYRIN (2011)

Chorus:

Bless the Lord O my soul
O my soul
Worship his holy name
Sing like never before
O my soul
I'll worship your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Chorus

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger
Your name is great and your heart is kind
For all your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Chorus

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Chorus 2x

Exalt God's Astonishing Grace

The Call to Worship
is God's invitation to
us. Biblical worship is
a dialogue with God
where he initiates,
calls, and draws us by
his grace and we
respond in praise,
humility,
thanksgiving, and
faith.

Congregation reads
bold print.

We respond to God's
call with prayer,
inviting him to
minister to us.

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 111

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

**Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.
Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures
forever.**

He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the Lord is
gracious and merciful, and he remembers his covenant forever.

**The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are
trustworthy; they are established forever and ever, to be performed
with faithfulness and uprightness.**

He sent redemption to His people; he has commanded his covenant
forever.

Holy and awesome is his name!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

**Eternal God, you have called us to be members of one body. Join us
with those who in all times and places have praised your name, that,
with one heart and mind, we may show the unity of your church, and
bring honor to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

SONGS OF PRAISE

God Is Known Among His People (Psalm 76)

Let Us Love And Sing And Wonder

(LYRICS ON PAGES 6-7)

GOD IS KNOWN AMONG HIS PEOPLE (PSALM 76)

WORDS: THE PSALTER, 1912, ALT. 1990, MOD. (VERSES), ZAC HICKS, 2008 (CHORUS/BRIDGE)

MUSIC: ZAC HICKS, 2008

God is known among his people, every mouth his praises fill
From of old he has established his abode on Zion's hill
There he broke the sword and arrow, bade the noise of war be still

Excellent and glorious are you with your trophies from the fray
You have slain the mighty warriors, wrapped in sleep of death are they
When your anger once is risen who can stand in that dread day?

Chorus:

Awesome is the revelation — God is known among us here!
Loudest songs of exultation — God is known among us here!

When from heaven your sentence sounded, all the earth in fear was still
While to save the meek and lowly God in judgment wrought his will
Even the wrath of man shall praise you, your designs it shall fulfill

Chorus

Vow and pay unto Jehovah, him your God forever own
All men, bring your gifts before him, worship him and him alone
Mighty kings obey and fear him, princes bow before His throne!

Chorus

Who is this King of Glory?
His name is Jesus! Jesus! Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God
His name is Jesus! Jesus! Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace (2x)

Awesome is the revelation — God is known among us here!
Loudest songs of jubilation — God does now in flesh appear! (2x)

LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

WORDS: JOHN NEWTON (1774), MUSIC: LAURA TAYLOR (2001)

Let us love and sing and wonder
Let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood
He has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord who bought us
Pitied us when enemies
Called us by his grace and taught us
Gave us ears and gave us eyes
He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood
He has washed us with his blood, he presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation
Threatens hard to bear us down
For the Lord our strong salvation
Holds in view the conqueror's crown
He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood
He who washed us with his blood, soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is
Justice smiles and asks no more
He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood
He who washed us with his blood, has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high
Here they trusted him before us
Now their praises fill the sky
Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou hast washed us with thy blood
Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou art worthy Lamb of God

Encounter God's Astonishing Grace

Confession is a normal and essential part of our relationship with God. Humility and honesty about our sin is welcome and safe in the presence of God.

See Psalm 51:17;
Isaiah 57:15; & 1
John 1:9.

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal and merciful God, you have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and you have set us on paths of righteousness for your name's sake. Yet we have strayed from your way; we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. As we remember the lavish gift of your grace symbolized in baptism, O God, we praise you and give you thanks that you forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ, who lives and reigns with you, and in whose strong name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

SONG OF CONFESSION

Come Thou Fount

WORDS: ROBERT ROBINSON (1758), MUSIC: JOHN WYETH (1813)

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let thy goodness like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above

The Good News of
Jesus Christ is that we
are forgiven of our sin
by faith in Christ's
substitution for us on
the cross.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 52:9-10

Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Thanks be to God!

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Holy Hands

(LYRICS ON PAGE 10)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND SUPPLICATION

All that we have is
from God (James
1:17). Our offerings
are an expression of
worship to God. They
express thanksgiving,
declare dependence
on God, and
demonstrate that God
is more valuable to us
than money.

OFFERING

Holy Spirit Truth Divine

(LYRICS ON PAGE 11)

HOLY HANDS

WORDS: HORATIUS BONAR (1864), MUSIC AND ADDITIONAL WORDS: KARL DIGERNESS (1997)

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul
Not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole
Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God
Not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my awful load

Chorus:

These guilty hands are raised
Filthy rags are all I bring
And I have come to hide beneath your wings
These holy hands are raised
Washed in the fountain of your grace
And now I wear your righteousness

Thy work alone O Christ can ease this weight of sin
Thy blood alone O Lamb of God can give me peace within
Thy love to me O God, not mine O Lord to thee
Can rid me of this dark unrest and set my spirit free

Chorus

Thy grace alone O God to me can pardon speak
Thy pow'r alone O Lamb of God can this sore bondage break
No other work save thine no other blood will do
No strength save that which is divine can bear me safely through

Chorus

I praise the God of grace, I trust his truth and might
He calls me his, I call him mine, my God, my joy, my light
'Tis he who saveth me and freely pardon gives
I love because he loveth me, I live because he lives

Chorus 2x

HOLY SPIRIT TRUTH DIVINE

WORDS: SAMUEL LONGFELLOW (1864), ALT. BY AJ HARBISON, MUSIC: AJ HARBISON (2018)

Holy Spirit, truth divine,
dawn upon this soul of mine;
voice of God, and inward light,
wake my spirit, clear my sight.

Holy Spirit, grace divine,
cleanse this sinful heart of mine;
in your mercy look on me,
from sin's bondage set me free.

Holy Spirit, pow'r divine,
fill and guide this will of mine;
by thee may I always live,
bravely serve, and gladly give.

Holy Spirit, law divine,
reign within this soul of mine;
be my law, and I shall be
firmly bound, for ever free.

Holy Spirit, peace divine,
still this restless heart of mine;
speak to calm this tossing sea,
stayed in thy tranquility.

Holy Spirit, joy divine,
gladden thou this heart of mine;
in the desert ways I sing,
"Spring, O well, forever spring!"

Know God's Astonishing Grace

We believe the Scriptures are given by inspiration of God to be the rule of faith and life. If you are able, we invite you to stand in honor of God's Word.

The Spirit makes the reading and preaching of God's Word a powerful means of nourishing and comforting God's people, and awakening people to new faith.

At the end of our Scripture reading, children ages 4-8 are dismissed to go to Promiseland, our children's church program. If you are visiting with us, you are more than welcome to escort your child downstairs to see the classroom and meet the teacher. Of course, you are also welcome to have your children sit with you through the service.

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 6:9-20

⁹ Though we speak in this way, yet in your case, beloved, we feel sure of better things--things that belong to salvation. ¹⁰ For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do. ¹¹ And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end, ¹² so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

¹³ For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, ¹⁴ saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." ¹⁵ And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise. ¹⁶ For people swear by something greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. ¹⁷ So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath, ¹⁸ so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. ¹⁹ We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, ²⁰ where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL

Questions for
Further Study or
Group Discussion:

1. Read Hebrews 6:9-20. The writer calls us to fight sluggishness by being imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

How does the example of Abraham in verses 13-15 encourage you to fight sluggishness?

2. In what ways does the author emphasize the faithfulness of

God to keep promises? Why is it so important to understand God's faithfulness?

3. What does the imagery of "soul anchor" communicate? Who (or what) is our soul anchor? How so?

4. This paragraph concludes the author's side note on Christian maturity.

What have you learned about growing in maturity from Hebrews 5-6? In what areas are you immature? How can Jesus your soul anchor help?

**Memory Verse of the
Week:**

Hebrews 6:19 We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, (ESV)

MESSAGE - Pastor Dale Thiele
Hebrews: The Greatness of Christ
The Soul Anchor

God's Habits Revealed with Abraham

The Excessive Faithfulness of God

Clinging to the Soul Anchor

Experience God's Astonishing Grace

Communion, or the Lord's Supper, is a symbolic meal for Christians. As part of our preparation to receive the bread and the cup, we profess our hope in Christ out loud. We join with Christians throughout history and the world in making such a profession.

In his Last Supper before crucifixion, Jesus commanded his followers to "do this in remembrance of me." The broken bread and the cup represent Christ's broken body and shed blood for the sake of our salvation. By partaking of the bread and cup, you are proclaiming hope in this salvation and, by faith, enjoy fellowship with Christ (see 1 Cor. 10:16). The bread and cup are signs and seals of God's covenant promises to forgive our sin and make us new in Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The Belgic Confession, articles 20-21

What do you believe about the work of God?

We believe that God – who is perfectly merciful and also very just – sent his Son to assume the nature in which the disobedience had been committed, in order to bear in it the punishment of sin by his most bitter passion and death.

And what do you believe about the work of Jesus Christ?

We believe that Jesus Christ presented himself in our name before his Father, to appease his wrath with full satisfaction by offering himself on the tree of the cross and pouring out his precious blood for the cleansing of our sins, as the prophets had predicted.

Why did he endure all this?

He endured all this for the forgiveness of our sins.

What comfort does this give you?

We find all comforts in his wounds and have no need to seek or invent any other means to reconcile ourselves with God than this one and only sacrifice, once made, which renders believers perfect forever.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Bread Of The World In Mercy Broken
(LYRICS ON PAGE 15)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BREAD OF THE WORLD IN MERCY BROKEN

WORDS: REGINALD HEBER (1827) AND ZAC HICKS (2006), MUSIC: ZAC HICKS (2006)

Bread of the world, in mercy broken
Wine of the soul, in mercy shed
By whom the words of life were spoken
And in whose death our sins are dead

Look on the heart by sorrow broken
Look on the tears by sinners shed
And be Thy feast to us the token
That by Thy grace our souls are fed

Have mercy, have mercy
Have mercy on us
Have mercy, have mercy
Have mercy on us

Here is mercy, here is mercy
Here is mercy for us
Here is mercy, here is mercy
Here is mercy for us

So let us come to the feast of Jesus
Let us eat of the Bread of Life
Let us drink of the wine, His blood
To talk and dine with Jesus Christ

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Go and Make Known God's Astonishing Grace

God has blessed us by
graciously inviting us
to worship and by
reminding us of his
astonishing grace in
Jesus Christ. We end
our service with a
reminder of God's
promises to bless us
throughout our week.

SONG OF DEPARTURE

Benevolence Offering Received

The Solid Rock

WORDS: EDWARD MOTE (1834), MUSIC: WILLIAM BRADBURY (1863)

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' Name.

Chorus:

On Christ the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness seems to hide his face,
I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

Chorus

His oath, his covenant, his blood,
Support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

Chorus

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in him be found.
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

Chorus 2x

BENEDICTION

Ministry Highlights

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, May 27, Noon

The elders call for a special meeting of the members for the purpose of an officer election. Bret Willoughby, having been nominated by members of the congregation, has been examined and approved by the elders to stand for election as ruling elder. Please plan to attend the meeting.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ON SUMMER BREAK

Starting Sunday, May 20, Sunday school classes will be on break through Labor Day, September 2.

OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The Month of May

The elders invite members of Oak Hills to nominate men for the deacon or elder. Fill out a form and submit to one of the elders by the end of the month.

JOYPLOSION

Coming June 5-7!

Registration opens this weekend. Sign up your kids and prayerfully invite friends and neighbors. If you have any questions or are interested in serving, contact Erin Thiele.

FOR THE KIDS & YOUTH

Youth Group - Wednesday, May 16, 7pm at Church.

Sacred Road Friendship Bracelet making night. Snacks, maybe even a movie - and making friendship bracelets for the mission team to take with them to Warm Springs.

Kid360 - Next Meets on Wednesday, May 23

End of Summer Bash - Wednesday, May 30, 6pm at West Flanders Park.

We'll grill out, hang out, and spend the night playing ultimate frisbee. Invite your friends and let's end this school year well! Sign up online to let us know you are coming.

SummerLink - Presbytery Camps for Middle & High School! July 16-20

The word Link because it highlights our relationship to God, to each other, and between our churches. We are linked by our singular faith in Christ. SummerLink really will be two camps (HS & MS) in one week at the same camp (Windemere in Roach, MO). Learn more about the plans and register at www.summerlink.info. Middle School cost is \$275 and High School cost is \$325. Last day to register is July 8.

SCRIPTURE READING THIS WEEK

*How sweet are your words to my taste,
sweeter than honey to my mouth!*

Psalm 119:103

Is that your experience with God's Word? It can be. The Bible is the most unique book in the world because it comes from God. It is food for your spiritual well-being. The more you feed on God's Word, the more you grow with God, the more sweet His Word becomes.

Commit to reading the Bible on a daily basis. This reading plan is just one of many which may prove to be helpful to you. The idea is to regularly feed yourself on the Word of God. Having a plan helps you become consistent.

This is a portion of a reading plan that brings you through the whole Bible in one year (Psalms, Luke, Romans & Isaiah are repeated). If you want to read through the whole Bible in one year, there are four readings for each day. You could choose to use just one or two columns for your daily readings and work through the whole Bible in a longer period of time. This plan has been adapted from the ESV Study Bible plan. To check that plan out, along with others, go to: www.esv.org/biblereadingplans.

Some Tips for Daily Readings:

1. Set aside a specific time each day. This helps build consistency.
2. Pray before you read. The psalmist prays, "Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law." (119:18)
3. Journal. Writing about what you read helps you think about and remember what you read. Also it is helpful to write down questions so you can come back to them another time.
4. Start anytime. Don't worry if you don't start at "the beginning," and don't give up if you miss a day or more. Just keep plugging along.

<u>Date</u>	<u>NT</u>	<u>Poetry</u>	<u>History</u>	<u>Writings</u>
May 13	Col 3:18-4:18	Ps 132	Num 12	Isa 51:1-52:12
May 14	1 Thes 1	Ps 133	Num 13-14	Isa 52:13-53:12
May 15	1 Thes 2:1-16	Ps 134	Num 15	Isa 54
May 16	1 Thes 2:17-3:13	Ps 135	Num 16-17	Isa 55
May 17	1 Thes 4:1-12	Ps 136	Num 18-19	Isa 56-57
May 18	1 Thes 4:13-5:11	Ps 137	Num 20-21	Isa 58
May 19	1 Thes 5:12-22	Ps 138	Num 22	Isa 59
May 20	1 Thes 5:23-28	Ps 139	Num 23-24	Isa 60

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Financial Update	General Fund Offerings	Actual Expenses	Budgeted Expenses	Building Fund
March 2018	\$14,663	\$20,386	\$20,081	\$400
March YTD	\$45,296	\$56,887	\$60,243	\$1,100

YOU'RE UP!

See if you are on an Oak Hills Crew next Sunday.

May 20

Greeters: Grace Buckley, Elena Heinbach, Natalie Heinbach

Nursery: Jenna Attwood, TJ Attwood, Lindsey Layzell, Tony Layzell, Micah Thiele

Promiseland: Carey Greer, Madi Greer

Prayer: Bill Burns

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please write your prayer requests in the space below.

I/We would like:

- to talk to a pastor about becoming a Christian
- to join Oak Hills
- info on Sunday School
- info on Children's Ministries
- a call from the pastor (Best time: _____)
- info on Discovering Oak Hills Seminar
- info on Life Groups
- info on Student Ministries
- info on Men's Ministries
- info on Women's Ministries
- other: _____
- Check if you do not want to receive emails from Oak Hills

Thanks for Visiting Us Today!
We are glad you're here! Please take a moment to fill out this card and help us to know and serve you better. Just drop it in the offering basket.

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone(s): _____

Email(s): _____

Children (Name/Age/Grade): _____

How did you learn of us? _____

Please check all that apply:

- Youth
- 18-21
- 20-29
- 30-39
- 40-49
- 50+
- First time guest
- Repeat guest
- Regular attender
- Member

THIS WEEK AT OAK HILLS

May 14 - 20

Monday, May 14

No Meetings

Tuesday, May 15

Deacons Meeting @ 7pm at Church

Wednesday, May 16

Youth Group @ 7pm at Church

Thursday, May 17

No Meetings

Friday, May 18

Men's Bible Study @ 6:30am at Panera (11401 College)

Saturday, May 19

Men's Bible Study @ 7:30am at Blackdog Coffee House

Sunday, May 20

Sunday School on Summer Break

Sunday Morning Worship @ 10:30am; *The Good*

Shepherd, Psalm 23, Pastor Stephen Preaching; The Lord's

Supper Served



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