

Oakfield United Methodist Church

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**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

Pastor: Rev. Young Tae Lee

Sunday, December. 29, 2019

First Sunday after Christmas

8:45 AM

† = please stand as able

Bold = everyone reading together

Gathering for Worship – *Please take an opportunity to look at the altar and prepare your heart and mind for worship.*

Prelude

The Reminder of Christ's Presence in Worship – *The altar candles are lit.*

Welcome

†Call to Worship

Leader: Praise the Lord, all the earth, from the highest heights to the deepest depths!

People: Let everything sing and shout praise to the Creator!

L: Praise the Lord, all the heavens and starry host!

P: All throughout the universe may praise to God abound!

L: Come, let us joyfully praise God!

P: Let us live our praise in deeds of loving kindness. AMEN.

†Opening Hymn: *"Infant Holy, Infant Lowly"* UMH #229

Opening Prayer: God, who walks with each one of us, help us to place our trust in your guiding care for us as we gather to learn the great lessons of living in peaceful community with each other. Prepare us to be witnesses of your love and forgiveness. Make us ready to work for you in your creation; for we ask this in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son. **AMEN.**

The Message for Young Christians-*The young and "young at heart" are welcome.*

Reading from the Old Testament

Psalms 95:1-7a

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Reading from the New Testament

Hebrews 12:1-13

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

†Gloria Patri: "We Were Baptized..." – TFWS #2251 (*verse 3*)

Glory be to God the Father, glory be to Christ the Son, glory to the Holy Spirit, ever three and ever one; as it was in the beginning, glory now resounds again in a song that has no ending. Amen.

The Message

Rev. Young Tae Lee

Hymn: "O Sing a Song of Bethlehem" UMH # 179

The Prayers of This Church Community – *To make sure prayer concerns get into the bulletin, please fill out a "Communication Card" and place it in the offering plate or give it to Rev. Young Tae Lee*

Time for Silent Prayer and Reflection

The Lord's Prayer (UMH #895)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer of Confession: You have chosen us for yourself, O God, and yet we choose other paths, other roads, other priorities. Guide us back to you. Forgive us, gracious One: when we destroy harmony; when we wear anger like a cloak; when we weave discontent and malice into the fabric of our lives; when we withhold forgiveness from one another. Clothe us with your love and mercy, that we may live as your people and put on love and mercy. Dwell in us once more, that we may live as people of

compassion, kindness, humility, and patience. Bind us together with your powerful love, that our love may be pure, and our actions may reflect the peace of Christ calling us into unity and harmony.

Words of Assurance: Be thankful in this good news: Christ has forgiven us. Christ is forgiven us. Christ will forgive us. In the name of Christ Jesus, we are forgiven and clothes in love!

Sharing the Peace of Christ with One Another

Time of Offering

†Doxology: "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" UMH #160 (verse 5)
Praise God who reigns in high, the Lord whom we adore, the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forever more. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks and sing.

†Prayer of Dedication

Time of Sharing – *We will share our announcements and God moments. Please make sure to sign the red attendance pads!*

†Closing Hymn: "Go, Tell it on the Mountain" UMH #251

†Benediction

Postlude

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Challenge 51 – “Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! (Isaiah 43:18-19a)

Challenge 52 – “Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD.” (Psalm 150:6)

Welcome to Oakfield UMC!

It is wonderful to have you here in worship with us! If you are visitor, we would ask that you sign in on our red attendance pads. Please also check out our visitor information in the Fellowship Hall.

- Large print hymnals are available at the back table of the sanctuary.
- We have sound amplification equipment that is connected to our microphone system. Please let the pastor or an usher know if you would like a device.
- Please check the literature rack in the narthex where you can find the church directory, our **December Good News Newsletter**, and other information.
- We have wireless internet access available in the church. Please contact Rev. Lee for an instruction.



Prayer Concerns

Gary Collien; Tony O'Malley; Dan Wildenberg; Gary Taillefer, Van Dergen; Roger Grier; Barbara Grier;; Loretta Wildenberg; Karen Wildenberg; Roly Rick; Irv Pea; Bob Dvorak; Sharon Martin & Dick Martin; Jean O'Laire; Ken O'Laire; Joann Goodlaxson; Confirmands(Mason & Addison); Stephen Ministers and their care receivers, Sunday School teachers and students.

Missions: Momoh Kebbie (The Child that we sponsor through World Vision)

Our Servicemen and Servicewomen: Quinn Fechter (Al & Joann's Grandson), Riker Wilder (Alice & Monty's Grandson), Brandon Zirbe (*Vicki Seitz's nephew*)

Upcoming Events

- **Sunday, January 5, 2020**– New Year Service with Holy Communion

Our Church Finances

- **Offering from Sunday, December 22th: \$**
- Needed Weekly to Cover Entire 2019 Budget: \$1016.98

Announcement

- If you are considering membership in Oakfield UMC, please contact Rev. Lee at 920-392-9888 or oakfieldtaborpastor@yahoo.com

Giving Back to the Community

- Please donate to the Community Food Pantry

Oakfield Worship Team

Pastor: Young Tae Lee Ministers: All the People
Liturgist: Denise Shaffer
Ushers: Al & Joanne Vey
Greeter: Joyce Kindschuh & Laurette Guy
Organist: Jeanne Miller, Sandy Dvorak
Altar Preparations: Denise Shaffer
Communion Preparations: Karen O'Laire