

# **December 24, 2017**

Welcome to Oaklyn Baptist Church Morning Worship with Communion December 24, 2017 ~10:45am Pastor: Rev. Kelly Grimsley <u>www.oaklynbaptist.org</u> 856.854.8555

Order of Service

Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship: (Responsive)

Leader: We are ready, O Lord, to behold the presence of your spirit among us.

People: Bless our spirits with openness and joy!
Leader: We have come on this journey seeking hope and peace.
People: You, O Lord, have poured your spirit on us!
Leader: Justice and peace shall be brought to all God's people.
People: No more shall fear and doubt claim us.
Leader: God is fulfilling the ancient promise of a Savior.
People: Our hearts rejoice at this good news of God's love.

\*Congregational Singing: "O Come, All Ye Faithful" #182

# \*Unison Invocation & The Lords Prayer

Holy God, today we celebrate the fulfillment of your promise. Remind us that, like Mary, each of us is a bearer of your Good News. Enter into our brokenness and renew us with the strength of your love. Be born anew in our hearts and in our world. We need the peace, hope, love and joy that this season represents. May we sing out the good news of your salvation. Open our hearts and our spirits today to receive with great joy the love that you have for us. We ask in the name of the one who comes and who taught us to pray...





#### This week at OBC (December 24-December 31, 2017)

Sun. 24- Adult Sunday School, 9:30am (Library)

- Contemporary Worship 10:15-10:30
- Morning Worship 10:45am
- Christmas Eve Service, 4pm

Mon. 25- Merry Christmas!

Tue. 26- Church Office Closed

Wed. 27-

Thur. 28– AA in Sanctuary, 8pm mtg.

Fri. 29-IHOC Arrives at OBC (until 1/15)!

Sat. 30- IHOC

Sun. 31- Adult Sunday School, 9:30am (Library)

- Morning Worship 10:45am
- Potluck/Game night starting at 6pm



## \*Glory Be (Sung)

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.

Scripture Reading: 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16

Congregational Singing: "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" #228

#### **Offertory Prayer (Offering Received)**

(If you are a visitor today please know that, while we welcome your participation in our offering, you are our guest, and as such, should not feel obligated to give.

## \*Doxology (sung)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

## Lighting of the 4th Advent Candle

Special Music: "Mary Did you Know" Howard Gray

**Prayers of Celebration and Concern** 

**Children's Message** (Children dismissed ages 6 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade for Kids Club)

\*Congregational Singing: "Angels from the Realms of Glory" #189

Scripture Reading: Luke 1:26-38; 47-55

Message: "Baby-Mania"

\*Congregational Singing: "Angels We Have Heard on High" #188 & "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

\*Benediction (\*Please stand if you are able)

# Thank you for all the containers



Thank you to everyone who has donated plastic containers for when the IHOC men stay at the church. At this time we have enough, and we are not in need of any more!

## **Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO)**

RETIRED MINISTERS AND MISSIONARIES OFFERING This month we are receiving our Retired



Ministers and Missionaries Offering. Special envelopes for this offering are in the pew racks. Remember that two people we have loved at OBC have benefited from this offering: Janet Williams and Fred Daugherty.



IHOC at OBC-We need all hands on deck IHOC will be arriving soon-on Friday, December 29th! We are in desperate need of male overnight hosts. There is also a sign up sheet in the back of the church if you would like to sign up to

provide an item for the start of the program-soda, eggs, snacks, etc. Contact Jeanette or Cara if you have any questions.





#### New Years Eve

This year since we will be hosting the IHOC men on New Years Eve, we thought it would be fun to have a potluck/game night from 6-9ish on New Years Eve. If you are interested in coming, there is a sign up sheet in the back of the church. The men love to play games, favorites Include 500 Rummy, Backgammon and Rummikube.



## "Christmas is Not Your Birthday"

Last year we started a new tradition at OBC titled "Christmas is not your birthday". The offering at the Christmas Eve service went to several places around the world. This year we would like to do that again. This offering should represent a portion of what you would spend on Christmas presents for your friends and family. This year we have chosen Puerto Rico as the recipient of this offering because of the devastation they have suffered from several storms.





