



Oaklette United Methodist Church

"God's Body in this Community"

"Oaklette United Methodist Church through worship, education, and outreach, seeks to make the gospel of Jesus Christ real, as we minister to all people."

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

*If you are visiting us today, we welcome you. We are grateful we have found each other. And, if somehow, there is something in you, some still small voice seeking a place to live out your faith, to ask important questions, and to serve beyond yourself, we invite you into our community. For more information about the church or membership, please contact Dr. Tim (see above for contact information) or text him at 757.373.0005. A nurturing and well-supervised nursery is available for infants and young children. Please ask an usher for further assistance and direction to this room. Royal Kid's (a children's church experience) is offered for children in grades Kindergarten through 6th grade. Children will be directed to leave during the singing of the first hymn. **As the Prelude begins, let us quiet our voices and cell phones as we prepare our hearts and spirits for worship.***

[†] = Invites persons to stand as they are able.

Prelude

"Open Up the Heavens"

– Dana Moody

(Acolytes will light the candles during the Prelude)

†Choral Introit

"His Name is Wonderful"

– Chancel Choir

†Opening Prayer (in unison)

Luke 1:46-55 (NKJV)

And Mary said: "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. For He has regarded the lowly state of His maidservant; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed. For He who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is His name. And His mercy is on those who fear Him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich He has sent away empty. He has helped His servant Israel, in remembrance of His mercy, as He spoke to our fathers, to Abraham and to his seed forever."

PARTNER'S IN MINISTRY TODAY

Members of the Church

Acolyte: Jessica Weifert

Nursery Care Providers: Calvin & Linda Gallop

Lay Reader: Debbie Rippard

Organist: Dana Moody

Audio-Visual Operator: Alex Hazlett

Greeters: Circle of Joy

Prayer Partner: Barbara Bennett

Lay Leader: Don Moody

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Timothy D. Hazlett

Administrative Assistant: Eileen Ballance

Financial Secretary: Edna Bess

Elizabeth River Dist. Superintendent: Rev. Wayne Snead

Resident Bishop, Richmond Area: Rev. Sharma D. Lewis

Greetings, Announcements, Joys & Concerns
(Please sign and pass the blue Welcome Pads at this time.)

†Hymn **“My Tribute”** **#99**

Call to Confession (In unison) **Psalm 34:1–8 (NKJV)**

I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. They looked to Him and were radiant, and their faces were not ashamed. This poor man cried out, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the Lord encamps all around those who fear Him, and delivers them.

Anthem “That Boy Child of Mary” – Chancel Choir

Offertory **"Hope"** **- Dana Moody**

†Prayer of Dedication (in unison)

Passing of the Peace

†Hymn of Preparation “How Great Thou Art” #77

(After the scripture is read, the leader will say: "This is the Word of God for the people of God..."

Sermon **"Mary Visits"** **– Ree Enlow**

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

+Benediction (responsively)

People: Thou who art one of us,

People Give me a pure heart, that I may see thee; a humble heart, that I may hear thee; a heart of love, that I may serve thee; a heart of faith, that I may abide in thee. Amen.

†Choral Response “Amen” – Chancel Choir

†Postlude “Psalm XX” – Dana Moody

Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. And having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!"

But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was. Then the angel said to her, “Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.”

Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not know a man?”

And the angel answered and said to her, “the Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God. Now indeed, Elizabeth your relative has also conceived a son in her old age; and this is now the sixth month for her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible.”

Then Mary said, “Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word.” And the angel departed from her.