

SUNDAY May 3, 2026

9:30 AM

Welcome members, friends, and visitors! In this hour, may you find fellowship and experience the presence of the Spirit of God in our midst. If you are visiting with us for the first time, we invite you to sign the Guest Book and complete a welcome card. Please join us for coffee and fellowship following worship.

### 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER & COMMUNION SUNDAY WORSHIP

\*Those who are able are invited to stand \*\*\*indicate times for ushers to seat worshippers

*As a courtesy to other worshipers, please silence your cell phones. Thank you.*

*Welcome to Oak Lawn Community Baptist Church for a time of worship. Greet each other in Christian love being mindful of those who need some time for quiet meditation.*

#### The Chimes Call Us to Worship

**Prelude** "Seek Ye First" Arr. Douglas E. Wagner  
~ During the prelude take time to "Be still and know that God is Lord." ~

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**Greetings** Pastor Linda

**Sharing Joys and Concerns**

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**Announcements** Rick Cunningham and John McCann, Worship Leaders

**Symbols of Remembrance**

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**Call to Worship**

LEADER: Our God is a rock of refuge. A strong fortress.

**PEOPLE: Christ leads us and guides us every day.**

LEADER: We have known the presence of Christ, God's chosen one.

**PEOPLE: Every day, we are inspired by the living Christ.**

LEADER: Let us enter the sanctuary of love and care that God prepares for us.

**PEOPLE: We have come to find the way, the truth, and the life.**

**\*Gathering Hymn #42** "O Worship the King" Verses 1, 2 & 3

**\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer:** As we come before the Lord in worship, let us come in faith, confident that God will hear, and the Holy Spirit will bless. Let us pray: **Creator God, open your heavens to us that we may see your mercy and truth. We know that sometimes we neglect your guidance for us. In our busyness, we cannot always discern your voice. Draw**

us closer to you so we may see more clearly the way, the truth, and the life you intend for us. Shine your face upon us and give us strength to meet each day's needs. Guide us in the way of Christ Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying...

**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.**

**Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Sanctuary Choir** "Given for You" Roger Summers

**Our Offerings, Gifts and Tithes including the America for Christ Offering**

**Offertory** "Amazing Grace" Arr. Gordon Young

**\*Doxology #34** "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**"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. Amen."**

**\*Offering Prayer**

**At this time children leave for Sunday School.**

**Prayer Hymn #123** "Fairest Lord Jesus" Verse 1

**A Time of Silent Prayer**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Response #490** "Hear Our Prayer, O Lord"

**Scripture Lesson** John 14:1-14

**Communion Meditation** "The Way, The Truth, and the Life"

#### Th Fellowship of the Lord's Supper

**\*Communion Hymn #373** "Change My Heart, O God"

**\*Reading of the Church Covenant** (front of hymnal)

**Deacons' Fellowship Offering**

**The Invitation and Words of Institution**

**Prayer of Consecration**

**Sharing of the Bread and Cup** (Gluten Free bread is also offered.)

\* Closing Hymn #393

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds”

Verse 1

\* Mizpah Benediction “May the Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent one from another. Amen.”

Postlude

“Westminster Chimes”

Arr. Franklin Ritter

Enter to Worship

Depart to Serve

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***The flowers are given to the Glory of God!***

...and you shall be called ministers...”

Ministers: all members of Oak Lawn Community Baptist Church

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Linda Hartley

Worship Leaders: Rick Cunningham and John McCann

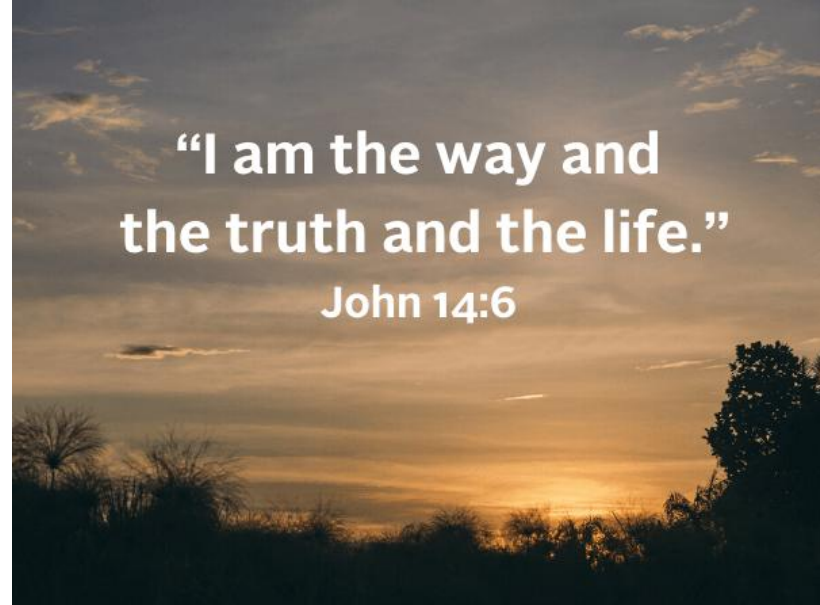
Organist: Margery Jones

Choir Director: Margery Jones

Choir Accompanist: Marilyn Drummond

Oak Lawn Choral Bells Directors: Marilyn Drummond & Bob Kolb

Secretary: Beth Lamarre



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OAK LAWN COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

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*Prayers for all our Service Men & Women, and for peace for our country.*

### *Ongoing Projects*

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