# Welcome to Oaklyn Baptist Church

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# **December 1, 2024**

#### **Order of Service**

**Pre-Service Prelude** 

Welcome

Announcements

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns** 

**Prayer of Invocation** 

Advent Candle of Hope: Diane Colgate

Hymn #189: Angels, from the Realms of Glory

Scripture: Luke 1: 26-33

Song: Come Thou Long Expected Jesus, Joy to the World

Moment of Reflection: Angels We Have Heard on High—Chris Tomlin

**Pastoral Prayer** 

Message: "An Angel of Hope" \*Advance sermon slides

Song: Joy to the World Unspeakable Joy

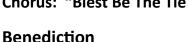
Invitation to Discipleship Invitation to Membership

Offering

**Recitation of Church Covenant** 

Communion

Chorus: "Blest Be The Tie That Binds"





1ST SUNDAY OF Advent

My Sermon Notes

Today's Scripture:

Luke: 1: 26-33



#### Notes:

To Study At Home:



If you would like to purchase a poinsettia to decorate our sanctuary, the cost is \$10.00 per plant. Please fill out the form and submit it to the church office by December 1, 2024 Payment is due by December 1, 2024. Poinsettia's can be taken home after the Christmas Eve Service

Donated by:\_\_\_\_\_

In Honor Of:\_\_\_\_\_

In Memory Of:\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Plants: X 10.00 =

Checks can be made out to Oaklyn Baptist Church. Please write "poinsettia" in memo line.

### Church Covenant

As a summary of principles for Christian conduct among its fellowship and membership, we adopt the following Church Covenant:

Having received Jesus as my Lord and Savior, being baptized, and being in agreement with the purpose statement of this church, and the Expression of Christian Faith, I now commit myself to God and the other fellowship and membership of the Oaklyn Baptist Church and pledge to do the following:

# 1. I will protect the unity of this church

...by acting in love toward one another ...by encouraging each other with peace ...by refusing to gossip ...by following our elected leaders (1 Peter 1:22; Rom. 14:19; Eph. 4:29; Heb. 13:17) 2. I will share the responsibility of this church ...by praying for its growth in discipleship ... by inviting everyone to attend ... by warmly welcoming those who visit (1 Thess.1:2-3; Matt. 11:28-30; Rom. 15:7) 3. I will serve the ministry of this church ...by nurturing my gifts and talents ...by being equipped to serve with our leaders ...by striving to emulate the servant heart of Christ (1 Peter 4:10; Eph. 4:11-12; Phil. 2:2-7) 4. I will support the testimony of this church ... by worshipping faithfully together ... by living a Godly life continuously ... by intentionally and consistently giving of resources including our time, talents, tithes and offerings (Heb.10:25; Phil. 1:27; I Cor. 16:2; Lev. 27:30 Finally, I promise to nurture a growing intimacy with our

Finally, I promise to nurture a growing intimacy with our Lord Jesus Christ because I know that I can do none of these things without Him. (John 15:41)

# Announcements for the week of December 1, 2024



Wednesday morning Biblical Book Study 10:30 am—noon—Church Library.

Wednesday night Bible Study 7:00—8:00 pm Church Library

> Sunday School, Sunday 9:30 am Adults & Children - Church Library



### Join us on Saturday, December 7th 3:00 pm—6:00 pm Annual Decorating, Dinner and Tree Lighting Event !!

Beginning at 3:00 pm we will decorate the Sanctuary, as a church family, followed by fellowship and a delicious spaghetti dinner at 5:00 pm, ending with the outdoor tree lighting. Sign up in the back of the sanctuary.

### Stewardship Pledge Cards. Let us be prayerful in our giving for 2025 Stewardship Campaign—November 1-December 8th, 2024.

### **Children's Shoebox Ministry**

We are preparing shoeboxes for kids this Christmas season. The shoeboxes and list of children are in the back of the sanctuary. Please choose some names and take the boxes to fill. (list of needs included) Filled shoeboxes are due back by 12/8/24

Fellowship Community Church in Collingswood has established Santa Shop for parents who cannot afford gifts to "shop" and wrap gifts for free for their children. This year they are including a Santa Shop for children to pick and wrap gifts for their parents. If you have any "new" unused small items, appropriate for adults that you've been thinking about re-gifting, please bring them to the sanctuary at Oaklyn Baptist Church and we will make sure they get them. These

### December 21st: Winter Solstice Join us for our Blue Christmas Program 12/21/24 at 3:00 pm

To assist those who may be experiencing grief, and struggling with loss during this holiday season. Do not be alone, join us as we celebrate those that we have lost and lift the burden of grief together.

## Annual Meeting—December 22nd, 2024

Social Hall immediately after service. Agenda will include voting for new officers, approving 2025 budget and discussion of upcoming major needs.