

**Oak Grove Church of the Brethren**  
**September 27, 2020**

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**Prelude**

**Gathering Prayer**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

Baptized to begin lives of faith,

**we seek to be transformed by the renewing of our minds, discerning the good, acceptable, and perfect will of God. (Romans 12:2)**

Baptized to bear witness,

**we seek to graciously proclaim your mercy and grace to any who ask about the hope that exists in us. (1 Peter 3:15)**

Baptized to love with compassion,

**we would heal, and not hurt; we would bless, and not curse. (Romans 12:14)**

Baptized to do what is right,

**we would not play favorites, but treat each as your Beloved.**

**Song** *Healer of our every ill* # 377  
(instrumental)

**Moment for Mission**

**Response** *Praise God from whom all blessings flow* # 119

**Song** *As I went down to the river to pray* Carol Elmore, solo  
Hymnal Supplement, *Slave Songs of the United States 1867*

**Hearing from God's Word**

**Scripture** Acts 10:1-16, 44-48

<sup>1</sup>In Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of the Italian Cohort, as it was called. <sup>2</sup>He was a devout man who feared God with all his household; he gave alms generously to the people and prayed constantly to God. <sup>3</sup>One afternoon at about three o'clock he had a vision in which he clearly saw an angel of God coming in and saying to him, "Cornelius." <sup>4</sup>He stared at him in terror

and said, "What is it, Lord?" He answered, "Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. <sup>5</sup>Now send men to Joppa for a certain Simon who is called Peter; <sup>6</sup>he is lodging with Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the seaside." <sup>7</sup>When the angel who spoke to him had left, he called two of his slaves and a devout soldier from the ranks of those who served him, <sup>8</sup>and after telling them everything, he sent them to Joppa.

<sup>9</sup>About noon the next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the roof to pray. <sup>10</sup>He became hungry and wanted something to eat; and while it was being prepared, he fell into a trance. <sup>11</sup>He saw the heaven opened and something like a large sheet



coming down, being lowered to the ground by its four corners. <sup>12</sup>In it were all kinds of four-footed creatures and reptiles and birds of the air. <sup>13</sup>Then he heard a voice saying, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>14</sup>But Peter said, "By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is profane or unclean." <sup>15</sup>The voice said to him again, a second time, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." <sup>16</sup>This happened three times, and the thing was suddenly taken up to heaven.

<sup>44</sup>While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. <sup>45</sup>The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, <sup>46</sup>for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, <sup>47</sup>"Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" <sup>48</sup>So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

## Message

## *The Gentile Pentecost: Welcoming the Other*

### Pastoral Prayer, with the Lord's prayer

**Our Father in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Hymn

*Lord, I want to be a Christian*

# 444

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

Instrumentalists

*Stephen Wills – keyboard*

*Joe Blaha – recorder, arranger*

*Sam Phillips – viola*

*Kathie Robinson – flute*



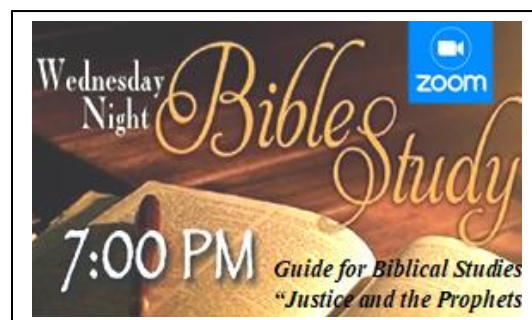
**Outdoor Heritage Day Tailgate**  
**Saturday, October 3 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.**  
**Proceeds go to Camp Bethel**

Craft event in the church's back parking lot October 3rd. We will have crafts, homemade jellies and very limited, highly prized, jars of Mrs. Ronk's green beans!

On Saturday morning tables will be marked with different categories and you can add your items. It would be helpful if you can give us an idea of the items you will donate and the quantity. You can text or email that information to Martha Gregory at 1-843-926-1510 or marmom48@aol.com. We will need to start setting up at 7:30 on Saturday morning to be ready to sell at 9 a.m.

We will need volunteers for setting up tables and a few chairs, helping customers at the tables, cashier and bagging. There will be a covered area for check-out.

Rain date is October 10th.



We are collecting bottled water for students at Oak Grove Elementary.

Bring your donations of bottled water to the church during office hours or on Sunday.

PRAYING: For health/healing

# 377 Healer of our every ill

D Em<sup>7</sup>/D G/D A/D D Irregular Bm Bm<sup>7</sup>/A G A

Heal-er of our ev-'ry ill, Light of each to - mor - row,

F<sup>#</sup>m<sup>7</sup> Bm Em<sup>7</sup> F<sup>#</sup>7 G Em A D Fine

give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

Bm F<sup>#</sup>m/A G

- 1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your
- 2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is
- 3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter.
- 4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your

F Em D/F<sup>#</sup> G Bm A/C<sup>#</sup> G/B A D.C

peace and glad - ness. Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.  
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.  
ev - 'ry broth - er. Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.  
way of heal - ing. Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

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# Praise God from whom 119

OLD HUNDREDTH 88. 88

A Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise  
B Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; in

him all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove ye  
heav'n a - bove and earth be - low; one God three per - sons

heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.  
we a - dore. To God be praise for - ev - er - more. A - men



BAPTISM

# 444 Lord, I want to be a Christian

LORD, I WANT TO BE Irregular



1 Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart, in my



heart. Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.



In my heart, in my heart,



Lord, I want to be a Chris-tian in my heart.

- 2 Lord, I want to be more loving...
- 3 Lord, I want to be more holy...
- 4 Lord, I want to be like Jesus...

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