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PRAYER

Rachel Mabe, treatment for breast cancer
Jan Grisso, meniscus tear in knee
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Mary Jo Burris, recovering from stroke

CONNECTING WITH OAK GROVE

Youth Zoom is Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.
Children's Zoom the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Lunch Munch Bunch is resuming! If you are interested in joining for lunch the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 11:30 a.m., please let the church office know at 774-3217.



Oak Grove Church of the Brethren April 25, 2021

We are broadcasting today on 91.5 FM if you would like to remain in your vehicle.

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren
April 25, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

That Easter day with joy was bright, # 281

That Easter day with joy was bright;
the sun shone out with fairer light,
**when to their longing eyes restored,
the apostles saw their risen Lord!**

○ Jesus, King of gentleness,
with constant love our hearts possess.

**To you our lips will ever raise
the tribute of our grateful praise.**

○ Christ, you are the Lord of all
in this our Easter festival,

**for you will be our strength and shield
from every weapon death can wield.**

All praise, O risen Lord, we give
to you, once dead, but now alive!

**To God the Father equal praise,
and God the Holy Ghost, we raise.**

Hymn *Praise the One who breaks the darkness* insert

Moment for Mission

Song *You are Mine* Haas
(Carol - verses; congregation - refrain)

Hearing from God's Word
Scripture
Message

Acts 8:26-39

Racing with the Gospel

Prayer of Confession

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,
word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we
have left undone.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not
loved our neighbors as ourselves.**

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

**For the sake of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and
forgive us; that we may delight in your will and walk in
your ways to the glory of your name.**

Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns

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* (vs. 1, 2, 4) # 444

***Benediction**

*Please stand as you are able.

Acts 8:26-39

²⁶Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) ²⁷So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship ²⁸and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. ²⁹Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." ³⁰So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" ³¹He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. ³²Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

"Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.
³³In his humiliation justice was denied him.
Who can describe his generation?
For his life is taken away from the earth."

³⁴The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" ³⁵Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. ³⁶As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" ³⁸He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. ³⁹When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

JESUS CHRIST

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness 93

1 Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib - er - at - ing light.
2 Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word.
3 Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place.

Praise the One who frees the pris - oners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight.
Praise the One who drove out de - mons with a pierc - ing two - edged sword.
Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.

Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - ery dread dis - ease.
Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand.
Let us sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done.

calm - ing storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.
From this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - ery land.
Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

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You Are Mine

Verses



1. I will come to you in the si - lence,
 2. I am hope for all who are hope - less,
 3. I am strength for all the des - pair - ing,
 4. am the Word that leads all to free - dom, I



I will lift you from all your fear. In the
 I am eyes for all who long to see.
 heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
 am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice, I claim you as my choice, be -
 shad - ows of the night, I will be your light,
 All the blind will see, the lame will all run free, and
 I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain, stand



still and know I am here. (To verse 2)
 come and rest in me. (To refrain)
 all will know my name. (To refrain)
 up, now walk, and live! (To refrain)

Refrain



Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you



each by name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you



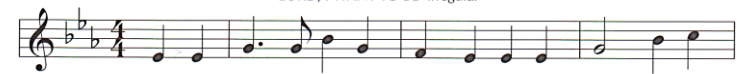
home; I love you and you are mine.

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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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