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PRAYER

Rachel Mabe, treatment for breast cancer
Jan Grisso, meniscus tear in knee
Betty Phillips, complications from a blood disorder
Mary Jo Burris, recovering from stroke
Wayne Cook, congestive heart failure
Stacey Williams, back surgery recovery

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.
Bible Study is on Zoom, Thursdays at 7 p.m.
Lunch Munch Bunch is meeting on May 19th at 11:30 a.m. The restaurant this month is Outback.
Hollie Young & Robert Johnson are having their wedding rehearsal May 14th at 6 p.m. and wedding May 15th at 1 p.m. here at Oak Grove.



Oak Grove Church of the Brethren May 9, 2021

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

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren
May 9, 2021
Sixth Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

By gracious powers, # 552
Based on a poem written by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

By gracious powers so wonderfully sheltered,
and confidently waiting come what may,
we know that God is with us night and morning,
and never fails to greet us each new day.

Yet is this heart by its old foe tormented,
still evil days bring burdens hard to bear.

O give our frightened souls the sure salvation,
for which, O Lord, you taught us to prepare.

And when this cup you give is filled to brimming
with bitter sorrow, hard to understand,
we shall take it thankfully and without trembling,
out of so good and so beloved a hand.

Yet when again in this same world you give us
the joy we had, the brightness of your sun,
we shall remember all the days we lived through,
and our whole life shall then be yours alone.

Hymn *Bring many names* insert

Moment for Mission

Song *Count Your Blessings* Oatman, Jr./Excell
(Women's Ensemble)

Hearing from God's Word
Scripture
Message

Galatians 1:13-17; 2:11-21
Guess who's coming to dinner

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** *Christ, You Often Sat at Dinner* insert

***Benediction**

***Blessing** (429) *Go now in peace* Sleeth
(Women's Ensemble)
*Please stand as you are able.

Galatians 1:13-17

¹³You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. ¹⁴I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. ¹⁵But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased ¹⁶to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, ¹⁷nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus.

Galatians 2:11-21

But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood self-condemned; ¹²for until certain people came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But after they came, he drew back and kept himself separate for fear of the circumcision faction. ¹³And the other Jews joined him in this hypocrisy, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. ¹⁴But when I saw that they were not acting consistently with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, "If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you compel the Gentiles to live like Jews?"

¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. ¹⁷But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

GOD

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Bring Many Names

1 Bring man - y names, beau - ti - ful and good,
 2 Strong moth - er God, work - ing night and day,
 3 Warm fa - ther God, hug - ging ev - ery child,
 4 Old, ach - ing God, gray with end - less care,
 5 Young, grow - ing God, ea - ger, on the move,
 6 Great, liv - ing God, nev - er ful - ly known,

cel - e - brate, in par - a - ble and sto - ry, ho - li - ness in
 plan - ning all the won - ders of cre - a - tion, set - ting each e -
 feel - ing all the strains of hu - man liv - ing, car - ing and for -
 calm - ly pierc - ing e - vil's new dis - guis - es, glad of good sur -
 say - ing no to false - hood and un - kind - ness, cry - ing out for
 joy - ful dark - ness far be - yond our see - ing, clos - er yet than

glo - ry, liv - ing, lov - ing God. Hail and Ho - san - na!
 qua - tion, gen - i - us at play: Hail and Ho - san - na,
 giv - ing till we're rec - on - ciled: Hail and Ho - san - na,
 pris - es, wis - er than de - spair: Hail and Ho - san - na,
 jus - tice, giv - ing all you have: Hail and Ho - san - na,
 breath - ing, ev - er - last - ing home: Hail and Ho - san - na,

GOD

Bring man - y names!
 strong moth - er God!
 warm fa - ther God!
 old, ach - ing God!
 young, grow - ing God!
 great, liv - ing God!

Christ, You Often Sat at Dinner

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Christ, you often sat at dinner with the outcasts and the poor;
You reached out to every sinner, sharing bread and wine and more –
You proclaimed that God's great table is a joyful, welcome place;
No one wears an outcast label or is turned away from grace.

Some who heard your gracious teaching murmured at the things they saw,
For your love was more out-reaching than the limits of their law.
When they judged the ones you welcomed, when they noted others' sin,
You responded, "In God's kingdom, all are gladly welcomed in!"

Lord, we grieve a church divided where your people can't embrace –
Where believers are excluded from the table of your grace.
How can there be joy and singing at the table you hold dear

When the words are clear and stinging, "No, you are not welcome here!"?

Christ, we know that you are able to bring healing through your cross;
Bring together at your table all for whom you paid the cost.
Though the feasting in your kingdom may still seem so far away,
May we share your meal of welcome as we wait that glorious day.

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April YTD Financial Report

Offerings	\$87,999
Expenses	\$86,791
Surplus	\$ 1,208