

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren
August 28, 2022

Gathering Song *Amazing Grace* Newton
(Seekers Class Choir)

Welcome, Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Prelude *In Remembrance* Red/arr. Sikes

*Call to Worship Psalm 119:1, 105
The congregation responds in bold

Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path!

*Hymn *Thy Word and I Love to Tell the Story* insert/# 398

Moment for Mission *A blessing for teachers and learners*
September 2021 Messenger

Blessing of the Backpacks

Children's Sharing *St. Teresa's Prayer* Helfrich
Hamba Nathi (Come, walk with us) Nyberg

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Acts 2:37-40 (NT, p. # 120)
Colossians 3:16 (NT, p. # 201)

Message **Instruct one another**

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.

Invitation to Communion

This is the table, not of the church, but of the Lord. It is made ready for those who love God and for those who want to love God more.

So come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been here long; you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, because it is the Lord who invites you.

It is God's will that those who want God should meet here.

Sharing the bread and cup

Song *In Remembrance of Me* Courtney
(Shelly Haas and Mary Wilson, duet)

*Hymn *Go now in peace* # 429

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Crafters
	12:30 p.m.	Backpack
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	2:00 p.m.	Games
	5:30 p.m.	Evangelism & Membership
	6:00 p.m.	Christian Education
	6:00 p.m.	Missions and Services
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

PRAYER

Doris Light, in hospice care
Dennis Shearer, chemotherapy infusions
Renee Tatum, treatment for seizure management
Ralph Petcher, long term chemo for Leukemia
Dolores Huffman, Friendship South Rm. 122
Leland Flora, recovering from foot injury
Morton Witt, hernia issues
Hannah Tyler, nodule in her pituitary gland
Sherry Milliron, infection due to recent surgery

Our sympathy and prayers to the family of Bennie Boone. Bennie passed away August 25, 2022. The funeral will be Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at noon at Oakey's South.

CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Tim Harvey
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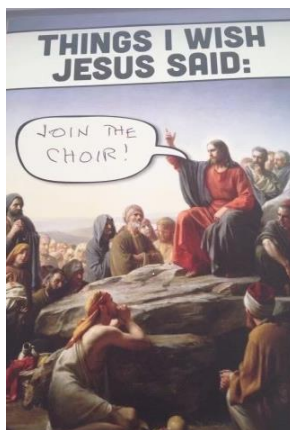
Minister of Nurture and Music Carol Elmore
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Worship leader Gavin Robinson
Worship leader (9/4) Bill Whitlow

Nursery workers Alli Yingling & Lisa Newell

Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills organ
Joe Blaha piano



Choir is starting back up! Our first rehearsal will be Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary. Truly, ALL are invited to come and sing to the glory of God!

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Interested in supporting our mission and ministry financially? You may contribute via the Tithely app on your smartphone.



We have a limited number of spaces reserved for those with mobility challenges. If you are able, please park in the spaces farther away from the church.



Our Meditation Garden is available for prayer in the side yard of our church property.



Need a hearing device, wheelchair, cushion, or have a question? Our head usher will be glad to be of assistance.

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (8/21)

Sunday School- 45
Worship- 82 (in person); 14 (online) = 96
Received on 8/21- \$ 7, 217.00



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A blessing for teachers and learners

One: God, you sent Jesus into the world to show us how to live as God's people.

Children: Who will tell us about Jesus?

Teachers: We will tell you about Jesus! We want to share the story of Jesus so that you may choose to love Him and follow in His way.

All: As we hear and share God's story together, may our hearts be opened to love Jesus.

One: We are created, known, and loved by God, and each person's faith journey is unique. The Bible offers guidance for this journey, revealing God's work in the world and how to be part of the ongoing story of the people of God.

Children and youth: Who will guide us on this journey of faith?

Teachers: Along with your family and this congregation, we will guide you! We will lead you in practices of prayer and worship that will help you develop a relationship with God that will sustain and encourage you throughout your life. Faith is not only a personal connection to God; it grows within community. We will learn from each other and discern together how to faithfully follow God.

All: As we discern God's will together, may we grow in faith.

One: Beyond these walls lies a hurting world. God, your love transforms us so that we can participate in the healing of that world.

Youth: There are so many problems. Where do we start?

Teachers: As we seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with God, together we make God's kingdom a reality here and now. We will study God's word together and talk about how it connects to our lives. We will challenge you to share God's love and peace with everyone you meet.

All: Seeking God's kingdom together, we can change the world.

A blessing of backpacks and tote bags

Let us pray together:

Gracious God, we lift to you today, these students and school personnel.

They stand here ready to commit themselves to study and learning, teaching and guiding in the school year ahead. We ask Your blessing on each of them.

Further, we ask Your blessing on these backpacks and tote bags. Each day they are carried from home to school and back again, may each person be reminded of the love and care of this congregation that surrounds them. We ask that school buildings be a safe place where healthy relationships can form, and curiosity can be fed. We pray in the name of Jesus who we seek to follow every day. Amen.