

# Oak Grove Church of the Brethren

## September 22, 2024

\*Calling in Hymn     *The Table Song*     insert

### Welcome, Announcements, Joys, and Concerns

**Prelude**     *For Everyone Born* Murray/Mann, arr. Trent  
(Carol Elmore-solo; Sam Phillips-viola)

### \*Affirming our faith

*The congregation responds in bold.*

We have walked with you, O God. We come from different places and bring different experiences to this time and place.

**And we continue to walk with you, our God, into the world to serve all people.**

We leave behind old things that make us feel comfortable,

**that we might better walk with you, our God, into the world to work with all people.**

We leave behind the fears which bind us and the hurts which damage us

**as we will walk with you, our God, into the peace you offer to all people.**

### \*Prayer of Invocation

Wherever the stories of Jesus are told,  
wherever gifts are offered in service,  
wherever hope is a part of healing,  
wherever songs of joy are sung,  
in every land, in every heart,  
in every village, and every place:

**bless us, O God, with tender hearts, generous hands,  
listening ears, and open minds that we might join you  
in the work you have begun. Amen.**

\*Hymn     *Sweet Are the Promises*     insert

**Children's Story**     Amanda Leddy

**Moment for Mission**     2024 Stewardship Emphasis  
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scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin.*

**Offertory**     *Chorale on "Dix"*     Scott

\*Response     *Lord, whose love*     # 369

**Anthem**     *No Greater Gift*     Schram

### Hearing from God's Word

**Scripture**     Luke 14:3-9 (NT, p. 77)  
Deuteronomy 15:11 (OT, p. 171)

**Message**     *A difficult portion to swallow*

### Pastoral Prayer, with the Prayer of Confession

**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     *For we are strangers no more*     # 322

### \*Benediction

\*Postlude     *No Greater Gift*     Schram

\*Please stand as you are able.

## THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Crafts
	9:00 a.m.	ESL
	12:30 p.m.	Backpack
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Handbells
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	ESL
	6:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Bible Study
	2:00 p.m.	Games
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:30 p.m.	Evangelism & Membership
	12:30 p.m.	Youth Olympics at Green Hill Park

## PRAYER

Jonna Detweiler, cancer treatment  
Rachel Mabe, battling cancer  
Phyllis Meadows, Terra Bella Pheasant Ridge  
Marge Montgomery, rehab at home  
Lowell Foutz, heart issues  
Rebecca Duncan, prayers for a full-term pregnancy

## CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Tim Harvey  
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Minister of Nurture and Music Carol Elmore  
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Worship leader Todd Marcum  
Worship leader (9/29) Connie Bierly

Nursery workers Julie Chumbley & Pam Conner  
Nursery workers (9/29) Rhonda Marcum & Alli Yingling

Children's Story Amanda Leddy  
Children's Story (9/29) Dan Lubbs

Head Usher Bill Hall  
Sound Booth Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs & Eli Raymond

Acolyte Gemma Yingling

### Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills organ  
Joe Blaha piano  
Robert Smith, Todd Marcum guitar

## ATTENDANCE (9/15/24)

Sunday School- 51  
Worship- 105 (in person); 13 (online) = 118  
Men's Bible Study- 7  
Women's Bible Study- 16  
Offering- \$ 3,185.00; \$ 291.80 (online) = \$ 3,476.80

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



Pews and chairs marked with this logo are reserved for persons with mobility challenges and their companions.



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.



Childcare is available during the worship service for children birth to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.



Hospitality is an important part of our life together—we want to know your name! If you're new here, we'd be glad to make a nametag for you. If you've been here a while, we'd love to provide a permanent nametag.



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## SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

## FALL STEWARDSHIP EMPHASIS