

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren

January 22, 2023

Introit

In Need

King/Coffman

Welcome and Announcements

Please sign the guest book at the end of the pew,
then pass it on to the person next to you.

Prelude

The Shepherd of the Flock

Martin

Gathering

based on Psalm 13, *The Message*

When we feel we have been ignored by God long enough—
—staring at the back of God’s head waiting for an answer or explanation to the silence we perceive—
we bring our laments and our complaints to God.

Choral Response

All Will Be Well

Julian of Norwich

When the ton of trouble we’ve carried has led to a stomach full of pain—
—and our enemies seem to be gloating in victory—
take a good look at us, God, and restore us to your favor.

Choral Response

All Will Be Well

When the words “How long?” escape from our lips,
remind us of how long you have been faithful.

Choral Response

All Will Be Well

*Prayer of Invocation

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O Holy Spirit of God, so may hurt today. Help me stand with them in their suffering, even when we are unsure how to do this. May we avoid the temptation of a quick prayer before sending them off in their suffering. May we learn to sit with people in the ash heaps of desolation. Show us the pathway to other’s pain.
In the name and for the sake of Jesus, Amen.

*Hymn

Be still my soul

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Children’s Story

Pastor Tim

Anthem

Shepherd Me, O God

Psalm 23/Haugen

Hearing God’s Word

Scripture

Psalm 13 (OT, p. 494)

Message

Praying in the Dark

Offering

Reflecting on the message

Offertory

Morning Invocation

Paxton

Sharing our reflections on the darkness

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

My life goes on

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*Benediction

Choral Benediction

All Will Be Well

*Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Monday	9:00 a.m.	ESL
	9:00 a.m.	Crafters
	12:30 p.m.	Backpack
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Handbells
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Zoom
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	ESL
	5:45 p.m.	Meal
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	7:30 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
	2:00 p.m.	Games
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Project WARM
	8:00 a.m.	Sleep in Heavenly Peace
	3:00 p.m.	Peace & Justice Movie
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	3:00 p.m.	Patricia Ronk ordination Bethany Church of the Brethren

PRAYER

Rachel Mabe, battling cancer
Dennis Shearer, declared cancer free!
Ralph Petcher, long term chemo for Leukemia
Misty King, heart surgery recovery
Alice Foutz, moved to Brookdale Memory Care

CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Tim Harvey
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Minister of Nurture and Music Carol Elmore
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Worship leader Dave Jones
Worship leader (1/29) Scott Yingling

Nursery workers Tanya & Maggie Pizzullo
Nursery workers (1/29) Rhonda Marcum & Ellen Phillips

Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills organ
Joe Blaha piano

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (1/15)

Sunday School-47

Worship- 75 (in person); 20 (online) = 95

Received on 1/15- \$ 2,707.00; \$ 325.00 (online)= \$3,032.00

You are Invited!

Ordination Service for Patricia Ann Ronk
Sunday, January 29, 2023 -- 3 p.m.
Bethany Church of Brethren
2005 Bethany Road, Boones Mill, VA
a.k.a. 85 Algoma Road, Callaway, VA
(GPS might confuse you, it's on the corner)

Reception with light refreshments to follow
540-798-5512 for more information.

CONNECTING WITH OAK GROVE



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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.



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 2nd 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.



Peacefully. Simply. Together.

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Katharina von Schlegel, b. 1697
Tr. by Jane L. Borthwick, 1813-1897

Jean Sibelius, b. 1865

1. Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side; Bear pa-tient-ly the
2. Be still, my soul: thy God doth un-der-take To guide the fu-ture
3. Be still, my soul: the hour is has-tening on When we shall be for

cross of grief or pain; Leave to thy God to or-der and pro-vide;
as He has the past. Thy hope, thy con-fi-dence let noth-ing shake;
ev-er with the Lord, When dis-ap-point-ment, grief, and fear are gone,

In ev-ery change He faith-ful will re-main. Be still, my soul: thy
All now mys-te-rious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the
Sor-row for-got, love's pur-est joys re-stored. Be still, my soul: when

best, thy heav-en-ly Friend Through thorn-y ways leads to a joy-ful end.
waves and winds still know His voice who ruled them while He dwelt be-low.
change and tears are past, All safe and bless-ed we shall meet at last. A-MEN.

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2023 Church Retreat
February 3-5
Jesus in the Neighborhood

Brian Messler, Pastor
Ephrata Church of the Brethren

Friday, February 3

7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Congregational meeting with dessert – the return of the *Chocolate Extravaganza*!!!
Session topic: *Jesus in the Neighborhood*

Saturday, February 4

3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Church Board working session
Session topic: *Innovation: the way we have always done it?*

5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Congregational potluck meal

6:30 – 8:00 p.m. Congregational meeting
Session topic: *Adaptability: who is leading—the Spirit or us?*

Sunday, February 5

9:45 – 10:40 a.m. All church Sunday School
Session topic: *Fearlessness: what’s the worst thing that can happen?!?!*

11:00 a.m. Worship
Sermon: *Love your church: finding joy where you are!* (1 Corinthians 1:10-17)