## Oak Grove Church of the Brethren May 7, 2023 • Fifth Sunday of Easter Graduation/Youth Sunday

Prelude

Hymn Medley

arr. Joe Blaha

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

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

\*Hymn

God of the Bible

insert

### Celebrating with our High School Graduates – Go with God's Love

~ Maggie Pizzullo and Ashley Tatum ~

Video "Chameleon"

#### \*Affirmation of Faith (tune # 544)

We are here because we all belong to Jesus.

Sing: Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

We know that part of trusting and obeying might be standing up, even if we stand out.

Sing: Trust and obey, for there's no other way to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Our scripture tells us: "Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. (Romans 12:2 NLT)

\*Hymn O Christ, You Are Life (tune # 66) insert

Children's Time

**Offering** To make an online contribution,

scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin.

Offertory Stand Up arr. Roberts
\*Response Lord, I lift Your name # 1026

Scripture Romans 12:2 (NT, p. 162)

Standing Up Purcell video

Message Summary Where do you need to stand up?

**Sharing Joys and Concerns** 

#### Praying together the Lord's Prayer (The Message)

Our Father in heaven, Reveal who you are. Set the world right; Do what's best as above, so below.

Keep us alive with three square meals.

Keep us forgiven with you and forgiving others.

Keep us safe from ourselves and the Devil.

You're in charge!
You can do anything you want!
You're ablaze in beauty!
Yes. Yes. Yes.

\*Hymn We Are One in the Spirit insert

#### \*Benediction

As you continue on with your lives outside of church, remember it is okay to stand up. Go, and stand up for Jesus!

\*Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.

We are grateful to our youth for leading the service today!

Instrumentalists:

Stephen Wills - organ

Joe Blaha - piano

Ronald Robinson – string bass Cooper Purcell – string bass

Eli Raymond – baritone saxophone

Gavin Robinson – baritone

Resident Artist: Charlie Purcell

A HUGE THANKS to the women who lovingly made the quilts for our graduates.

Some of our readings were written by the National Youth Cabinet and found on brethren.org.

#### THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Monday 9:00 a.m. ESL

9:00 a.m. Crafts 12:30 p.m. Backpack

7:00 p.m. Outdoor Ministries Commission

Tuesday 5:30 p.m. Handbells

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. ESL

Thursday 9:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study

2:00 p.m. Games

6:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study

Sunday 9:45 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship

#### **CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS**

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Head Usher Bill Whitlow

Sound Booth Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs & Eli Raymond

#### **PRAYER**

Rachel Mabe, battling cancer
Ralph Petcher, long term chemo for Leukemia
Betty Phillips, diagnosed with Myelofibrosis
Morton Witt, recovering at home
Misty King, heart issues

There is a card basket this week and next for Elsie Wertz who is turning 96 on May 19, 2023.

#### ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (4/30)

Sunday School-51

Worship-85 (in person); 15 (online) = 100

Offering-\$1,899.00;\$982.00 (online) = \$2,881.00

There will be a potluck following service on May 21st before Council Meeting. Please bring extra to share, chicken will be provided.

#### **CONNECTING WITH OAK GROVE**



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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 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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# OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN MAY 7, 2023

#### O Christ, You Are Life (tune: # 66)# 544)

LYONS 10.10.11.11 ("O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!")

O Christ, you are life! You heal and restore!

You bring God's good news to those lost and poor.

Through all of your ministry here on the earth,

You looked in the crowds and saw each person's worth.

You entered a town; a widow was there.

She grieved for her son and cried in despair.

On seeing her sorrow, you raised up her son;

The neighbors all shouted, "A prophet has come!"

You went to a house and sat down to eat;

A woman in tears anointed your feet.

Your host muttered, "Sinner!" but you turned to say,

"She's joyful because she's forgiven today!"

O God, give us life and show us anew:

Each person is loved and valued by you.

May we see all people as children of yours,

And work for your kingdom that heals and restores.

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#### GOD OF THE BIBLE (FRESH AS THE MORNING)



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#### WE ARE ONE IN THE SPIRIT

