

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren  
July 9, 2023

\*Calling In Hymn *Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary* #1128

Welcome, Announcements

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

Prelude *Great is Thy Faithfulness* arr. Doran  
(Bells-Joan Simpson, Andrea Milgrim, Julie Hall; Piano-Shelly Haas)

\*Call to Worship

In the church sanctuary and in the marketplace, we will  
give thanks to God with all your hearts.

**We hold nothing back from our God.**

As we consider how much Jesus has done for us, we will  
sing full-throated praises to our God,

**joining in the chorus of thanksgiving for God's abiding  
love.**

We hear Jesus' invitation to "come, deny yourself, and  
follow me." As we wrestle with the cost of discipleship  
and the abundance of grace,

**we worship our God with wonder and joy.**

\*Prayer of Invocation

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Behold: another day! A new day! Thanks be to God.

**Holy One, awaken us to perceive your grace;  
equip us to pursue your peace;  
send us to bear fruitful witness to your  
transforming love.**

**Amen.**

\*Hymn *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* # 37

Children's Time Randall Eakin

Offering

*To make an online contribution,  
scan the QR code on the back of the bulletin.*

Offertory *Quiet Piece* by Dorsey

\*Response *Praise God from Whom* # 119

Song *I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger* arr. Toniolo  
(Piano solo-Diane Grant)

Hearing from God's Word

Scripture Matthew 16:24-26 (NT, p. 18)

Message *Finding God in the Music, Track 03*

**Lose to Win**

**Continuing the message with the congregation**

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 Jesus, I love thee* # 522

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Today	12:30 p.m.	Church Board Meeting
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Crafts
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Summer Connect
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Games
Friday	6:00 p.m.	Peace & Justice Book Study
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	Worship at Camp Bethel at Shelter by the Spring. Potluck to follow. Pool 3:00-5:00 p.m.

PRAYER

Rachel Mabe, battling cancer  
Ralph Petcher, long term chemo for Leukemia  
Betty Phillips, Myelofibrosis  
Misty King, cardiac rehab, in need of a kidney transplant  
Dan Brogan, recovering from stroke  
Phyllis Petcher, carotid artery surgery  
Carol Hambleton, cervical spine surgery

*Please keep our adopted Camp Bethel Staff, Maggie Pizzulo,  
Grayson Preece, Ben Riddle in your prayers.*

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (7/2)

Sunday School- 36  
Worship- 76 (in person); 15 (online) = 91  
Women's Bible Study- 14  
Offering- \$ 8,314.00; \$ 1,426.20 (online) = \$ 9,740.20

## CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Tim Harvey  
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Minister of Nurture and Music Carol Elmore  
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Director of Bells Diane Grant

Worship leader Vicki Turner  
Worship leader (7/16) Sara Blaha

Nursery workers Pam Conner & Julie Chumbley

Head Usher Bill Hall

Sound Booth Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs & Eli Raymond

### Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills organ  
Joe Blaha piano

### Peace and Justice Group

The Peace and Justice Group is offering a book study with the intent of increasing the awareness of the need, as well as exploring possibilities. This book study intends to *explore both sides* of the debate concerning reparations.

### **REPARATIONS: A CHRISTIAN CALL FOR REPENTANCE AND REPAIR**

by Duke Kwon and Gregory Thompson.

July 14, August 4, August 18, and September 8, 2023,  
6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Oak Grove.  
In-person with zoom option if desired.

## CONNECTING WITH OAK GROVE



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Oak Grove Church of the Brethren



Interested in supporting our mission and ministry financially? Scan this QR code to contribute to via Tithely.



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.



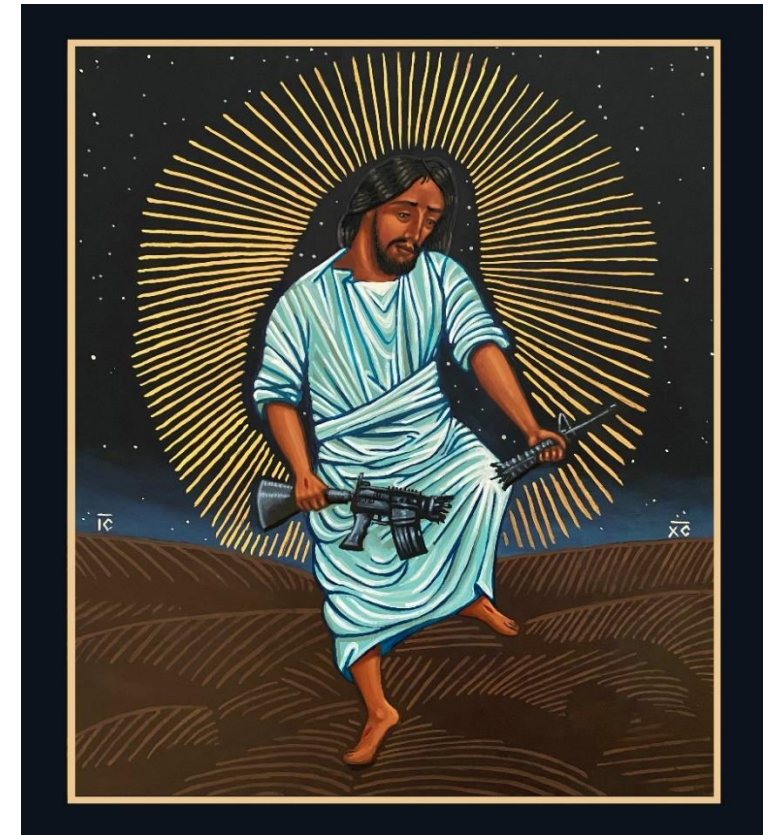
Childcare is available during the worship service for children birth to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.



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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***FINDING GOD IN THE MUSIC  
TRACK 03: LOSE TO WIN***