

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren
July 16, 2023

*Gathering

This is the Day
I John 4:7 & 8
Vine and Fig Tree
Love, Love, Love, Love, the Gospel in a word

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

All creation sings the glory of God!
**Brightly feathered birds and thickly furred mammals,
creatures that climb, slither, swim, glow, and dance all
give testimony to love and grace and design!**
We lift our voices and join the symphony of creation!

*Prayer of Invocation

**We praise you, creative, Creator God,
for the beauty of the earth,
for the wonder of the woods,
for the whisper of the wind,
and the babbling of the brook.**

**For pulling us away from normal routine to worship in
this memory and ministry rich place called Camp Bethel,
we say, “Thank you.” Amen.**

*Hymn *This is my Father’s world* # 154

Hearing from God’s Word

Scripture Acts 15:1-11; James 2:8-9
Message *Finding God in the Music, Track 04*
 Who Matters?

Continuing the message with the congregation
Sharing Joys and Concerns

Song *Peace, be still, and know* #1120

Pastoral Prayer, with the Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.

*Song *I John 4:7 & 8*

*Benediction

*Meal Blessing *Johnny Appleseed*

*Please stand as you are able.

THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Crafts
Wednesday	9:30 a.m.	Summer Connect
	11:00 a.m.	Munch Bunch at Angelle’s
Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Games
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:30 p.m.	Called Council Meeting

Pastor Tim is on vacation July 17-30, 2023.

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
Carol Hambleton, cervical spine surgery
Susan Simmons, recovering from eye surgery

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

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (7/9)

Sunday School- 32
Worship- 63 (in person); 16 (online) = 79
Offering- \$ 2,728.00

CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Tim Harvey
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Minister of Nurture and Music Carol Elmore
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Worship leader Sara Blaha
Worship leader (7/23) Charlie Purcell

Nursery workers (7/23) Trenton & Kristin Marcum

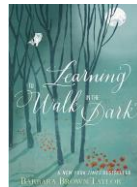
Head Usher Bill Hall

Sound Booth Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs & Eli Raymond

Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills organ
Joe Blaha piano

**The Women's Bible Study group is
beginning a NEW Book Study!
Thursday, August 3 at 9:30 a.m.
Held at Oak Grove Fellowship Hall.**



Grab a friend and come! If you'd like a copy of the book, please let Carol know. The books will be \$14.25 each.

Taylor has become increasingly uncomfortable with our tendency to associate all that is good with lightness and all that is evil with darkness. Doesn't God work in the nighttime as well? In *Learning to Walk in the Dark*, Taylor asks us to put aside our fears and anxieties and to explore all that God has to teach us "in the dark."

CONNECTING WITH OAK GROVE



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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.



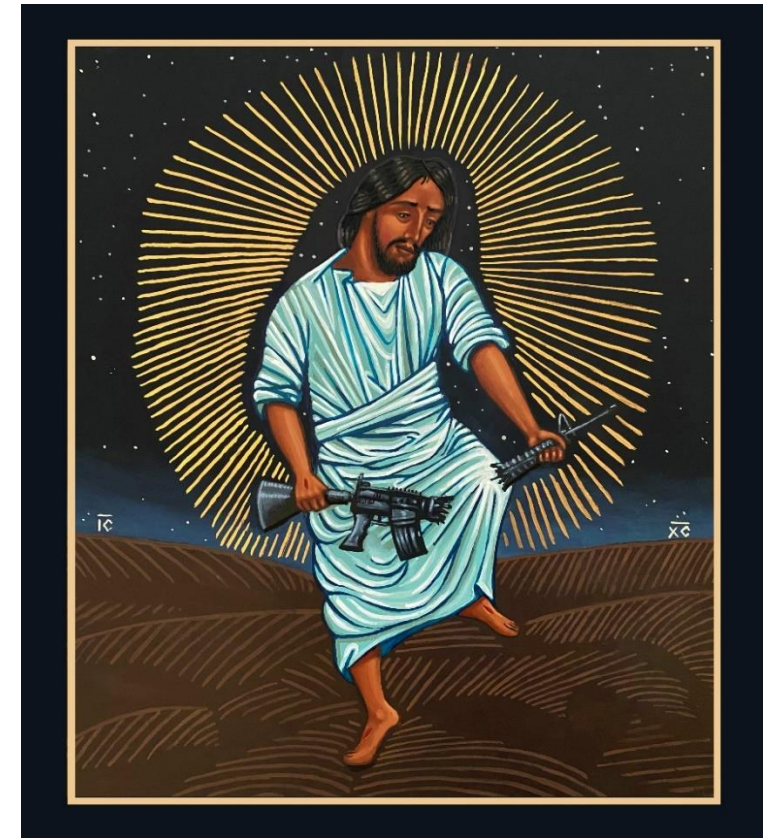
Childcare is available during the worship service for children birth to 2nd grade.



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.



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***FINDING GOD IN THE MUSIC
TRACK 04: WHO MATTERS?***