

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren
November 19, 2023

***Gathering Medley**

Blessed Savior, We Adore Thee Choir
Come, ye thankful people (vs. 1) # 94
Now, thank we all our God (vs. 3) # 86
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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Now Thank We All Our God* Frakenpohl
*During the prelude, use the insert to write down
five things for which you are thankful.*

***Affirmation of Faith** Psalm 23
*Translation from John Goldingay, commentary on the Psalms
The congregation responds in bold.*

**My shepherd is God; I do not lack—
He makes me lie down in grassy pastures.
He guides me by completely restful waters;
He restores my life.
He leads me in faithful paths for his name's sake.**

Even when I walk in the darkest canyon,
I do not fear disaster.
Because you are with me; your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.

You lay a table before me
in the presence of my enemies.
You bathe my head with oil;
my cup amply satisfies.

Good and commitment will certainly chase me
all the days of my lives.
I will return to God's house for long days.

***Prayer of Invocation**

God of the darkest canyons, you are present with us
when the shadows are so deep that we cannot see our
hands in front of our faces, when one wrong step would
send us plunging into a seemingly bottomless abyss, and
when our adversaries surround us on every side.

**You are with us. You never leave us or forsake us.
Help us learn comfort from your rod and staff.**

***Hymn** *I am weak and I need Thy strength* # 553

Children's Time Kirsten Lubbs-Robinson

Offering

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

Offertory *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* Parson

***Response** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (vs. 4)* # 37

Hearing from God's Word

Scripture Psalm 23:4 (NT, p. 501)
Hymn *When the storms of life are raging* # 558
Message *The Lord is my Shepherd, Part 2: Comfort*

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 Shepherd will supply my need* # 589
(Verse 1 – Oak Grove Tenors; verses 2, 3 – congregation)

***Benediction**

***Postlude**

*Please stand as you are able.

THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Monday	9:00 a.m.	ESL
	9:00 a.m.	Crafts
	12:30 p.m.	Backpack
Tuesday	5:30 p.m.	Handbells
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	ESL
	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Saturday	8:00 a.m.	Project WARM
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

*The Church Office will be closed on November 23-24 for
Thanksgiving.*

PRAYER

Rachel Mabe, battling cancer
Ralph Petcher, long term chemo for Leukemia
Lois Sowder, at home
Betty Phillips, rehab at Friendship Manor South
Emma Jean Woodard, recovering from surgery

Hanging of the Greens service is on December 3, 2023,
with a potluck meal to follow. The church will provide
the meat. Please have all desserts sliced before
bringing. Join us!

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 (11/26) Sara Blaha

Nursery workers Lisa Newell & Alli Yingling
Nursery workers (11/26) Morgan Taylor & Alli Yingling

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

Acolyte Lucy Pullen

Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills organ
Joe Blaha piano

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (11/12)

Sunday School- 43
Worship- 88 (in person); 17 (online) = 105
Men's Bible Study- 6
Women's Bible Study- 11
Offering- \$ 4,854.00; \$ 497.87 (online) = \$ 5,351.87

We helped a family through our Food Pantry, offered rent assistance through our Good Samaritan Fund, and the Backpack Ministry delivered twenty-two bags this week.

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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