

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren
March 10, 2024 • Fourth Sunday of Lent

*Calling In Hymn Blessed Savior, we adore Thee # 107

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Beneath the Cross of Jesus Maker

*Call to Worship

The congregation responds in bold.

In this season of Lent, we make our way to the cross,
recognizing the ways we have squandered God’s gifts,
wandering far from home to places we were not
created to be.

In this season of Lent, as we make our way to the cross,
we seek to better understand the fierce, relentless love
that God has for us,

A love revealed in Jesus as the gift that saves us
instead of condemning us.

We seek to embrace with both arms a trust in God and
God’s place for us in his kingdom.

So we make our Lenten journey to the cross.

*Hymn I am thine, O Lord # 505

*Prayer of Invocation

Christ our Savior, you call us by name, leading us from
death into eternal life. Awaken and unbind us by your
Word, so that we may live and grow in faith, sharing
your saving love with others; for you are the
resurrection and the life. Amen

Children’s Time Kirsten Lubbs-Robinson
Childcare is provided for children 2nd grade and younger.

Offering

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

Offertory Holy Ground Davis
Geron Davis, at age 19, was asked by his father to write a
song for the first service in their new sanctuary. After
procrastinating, he went into that sanctuary alone and
asked himself, "What do we want to say when we come into
this building tomorrow to have a service for the first time?"
The words were inspired by Acts 7:33 "Then the Lord said to
him, "Put off thy shoes from thy feet: for the place where
you are standing is holy ground.

*Response Praise, I will praise You, Lord (vs. 1) # 76

Anthem I Will Sing the Wondrous Story Rowley/Bilhorn

Hearing from God’s Word

Scripture John 19:13-18 (NT, p. 113)
Philippians 2:5-11 (NT, p. 197)

Message The Cross and the Lynching Tree

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer, with the Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned
against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we
have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have
not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake
of your son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive
us; that we may delight in your will and walk in your
ways to the glory of your name, Amen.

*Hymn What wondrous love is this # 530

*Benediction

*Sending Song Jesus, remember me # 247

*Postlude The Old Rugged Cross Rev. Bennard
*Please stand as you are able.

THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

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| Today | 12:30 p.m. | Executive Committee |
| Monday | 9:00 a.m. | ESL |
| | 9:00 a.m. | Crafts |
| Tuesday | 5:30 p.m. | Handbells |
| Wednesday | 9:00 a.m. | ESL |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Men’s Bible Study |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Choir |
| Thursday | 9:30 a.m. | Women’s Bible Study |
| | 2:00 p.m. | Games |
| Friday | 8:00 a.m. | Youth Yard Sale |
| Saturday | 8:00 a.m. | Project WARM |
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| Sunday | 9:45 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 a.m. | Worship |

PRAYER

Rachel Mabe, battling cancer
Ralph Petcher, long term chemo for Leukemia
Dennis Shearer, prayers for treatment
Wilma Twigg, recovering from leg injury
Lois Sowder, assisted living

We encourage you to bring goodies for our Bake Sale on
March 16, 2024. Please leave items in the kitchen any
time this week. We could also use help with the sorting
and pricing as well as working the Yard Sale. Please
contact Carol Elmore if you are interested.

CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor Tim Harvey
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Minister of Nurture and Music Carol Elmore
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Worship leader Gavin Robinson
Worship leader (3/17) Dave Jones

Nursery workers Trenton & Kristin Marcum
Nursery workers (3/17) Kris Tilley-Lubbs &
Kirsten Lubbs-Robinson

Children's Story (3/17) Gloria Harmon

Head Usher Bill Hall

Sound Booth Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs & Eli Raymond

Acolyte Connor Hosey

Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills organ
Joe Blaha piano

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (3/02)

Sunday School- 52
Worship- 96 (in person); 17 (online) = 113
Men's Bible Study- 10
Women's Bible Study- 10
Offering- \$ 7,638.00; \$ 1,261.00 (online) = \$ 8,899.00

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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 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.



OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

*AH, HOLY JESUS:
THE MEANING OF THE CROSS*

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 10, 2024**