

OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

***Introit** *Only a Holy God* Franklin
(Sharon Hanger, Carol Elmore, Scott Yingling, Mike Tyler)

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *It Is Well with My Soul* arr. Kim

*Call to Worship

The congregation responds in bold

Wherever you go, from the top of the highest mountain or into the deep abysses of the earth, God knows you.

Wherever we go, God knows our name.

The Word who was there in the beginning, the One through whom and for whom all things were made, loves you.

Whatever we do, Jesus welcomes us home.

The Spirit that hovered over the unformed creation and who equipped the disciples to proclaim forgiveness, salvation, and justice to all the world dwells within you.

No matter what we think of ourselves, Holy Spirit has a role for us to play in the Kingdom of God!

*Prayer of Invocation

Grant us, O Lord, the faith trust in you with all our hearts;

for as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***Hymn** *You are salt* # 226

Children's Story Amanda Leddy

Hearing from God's Word

Scripture John 1:1-5 (NT, p. 91)
Message Dava Henlsey

Offertory Prayer

Yesterday, today, and tomorrow, You provide opportunities to reach out to those who are in need of hope, healing, and friendship. This is

why you pour out your blessings upon us, trusting that we will share from our abundance to bless others, even as we have been blessed. Receive the gifts we offer, multiply them, and use them in the work of grace and justice. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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Offertory *Tell Me the Old, Old Story* arr. Smith/Hustad

***Response** *Praise God from whom* # 119

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** *Christian, let your light shine* # 402

*Benediction

*Postlude

**Please stand as you are able.*

PRAYER

Sharon Wertz (Star City Nursing & Rehab)
Lois Sowder (Terra Bella Pheasant Ridge)
Dan Brogan (Berkshire Health & Rehab)
Gladis Lehman (Friendship Manor)
Marge Montgomery (Pheasant Ridge)
Jonna Detweiler, ongoing medical treatment
Rachel Mabe, battling cancer
Tanya Pizzullo, cancer treatment
Phyllis Petcher, rehab at home
Deanna Knox, ongoing GI issues
Ron Mooney, recovering from hip replacement surgery
Laura Clements, recovering from surgery
Ralph Petcher, recovering from bypass surgery

CONNECTING WITH OAK GROVE



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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.



Peacefully. Simply. Together.

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THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Crafters
	12:30 p.m.	Backpack
Wednesday	6:00 p.m.	Choir Potluck
	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Thursday	9:30 a.m.	Women's Faith Study
	2:00 p.m.	Games
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Bed Build (see below)
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:30 p.m.	Leadership Team Meeting



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SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE
BUNKS ACROSS AMERICA BUILD
Sept. 13, 2025
8:30 am

Sleep In Heavenly Peace is an organization committed to building, assembling, and delivering bunk beds to children and families in need.

Friday Sept. 12
Pre-cut Lumber
Sign up link

Saturday Sept. 13
Build Day
Sign up link

VOLUNTEERS

- ✓ Anyone 12 and older is eligible to help.
- ✓ No experience necessary!
- ✓ Sleep In Heavenly Peace requests all volunteers sign up in advance of the build day.
- ✓ Volunteers are also needed on Friday Sept. 12 at 3 - 5 pm to pre-cut lumber.

Location:
Cave Spring UMC
4505 Hazel Dr. Roanoke, Va.

Sponsors:
Cave Spring UMC, Oak Grove CoB, Mount Pleasant UMC, and Rockingham Court UMC

CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor	Minister of Nurture and Music
Tim Harvey pastortim@oakgrovecob.org	Carol Elmore elmores24153@gmail.com

Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills, organ
Joe Blaha, piano

Worship leader

Jane Grisso
Becky Widdowson (September 14)

Infant Nursery

Pam Conner & Julie Carroll
Holly Belcher (September 14)

Childcare

Trenton & Kristin Marcum, Cooper Purcell
Cooper Purcell (September 14)

Head Usher

Bill Hall

Sound Booth

Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs, Eli Raymond

Deacons of the Month

Julie Carroll and Deacons

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (8/31)

Sunday School- 28

Worship- 82 (in person); 14 (online) = 96

Offering- \$ 7,859.00; \$ 443.61 (online) = \$ 8,302.61