

**OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN**  
**OCTOBER 5, 2025 • WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY**

\*Calling in Hymn      *Amazing grace* (vs. 1, 2, 6)      # 143

**Welcome and Announcements, Joys and Concerns**

**Prelude**      *Great is Thy Faithfulness*      arr. Marianne Kim  
(Julie Hall, Stephen Wills, duet)

\*Confessing our Faith      1 John 4:7-12  
*The congregation responds in bold*

Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God.

**Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.**

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

**This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.**

Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

**No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.**

\*Hymn      *Together*      insert

**Children's Story**      Carol Elmore

**Call to Giving**  
*After the ushers pass your row, you may bring your pledge card forward and place it in the basket.*

**Offertory**      *Before the Throne of God Above*      arr. K. Kingsmore  
(Julie Hall, piano)

\*Response      *Glory be to the Father*      # 127

**Anthem**      *Gentle Voice*      Dengler/Dengler  
(Sam Phillips, viola)

**KNEELING IN CONFESSION**

**Hearing from God's Word**

**Scripture**

John 13:1-7 (NT, p. 107)

**Message**

*Stained Glass Sermons, #2*  
*Basin and Towel*



**Silent Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

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Loving God, you hold all things in your hands.

We are small.

We feel insignificant when we consider all that you are and have done.

Loving Savior, we are broken as creation is broken.

Our words are not adequate to describe the pain and the sorrow we cause fellow humans and the harm to your beautiful earth.

**We are tired of trying.**

So today, we lay down our pride.

We lay down our weapons.

We lay down our desire for power.

We lay down our words of division.

We lay down our anger.

**We need you, God. Purify our desires.**

**We need you, God. Make us agents of your shalom.**

**We need you, God. Amen**

**Hymn of Prayer**      *Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us*

# 352

**Please walk to the Fellowship Hall quietly  
and sit at a table.**

## FOOTWASHING

### Scripture

John 13:8-15

### Prayer

Our Lord, who has mercy upon all:

Take away from us our sins,

**and mercifully kindle within us the fire of your Holy Spirit.**

Soften us, in the basin and the towel,

**that we might have hearts of flesh, not hearts of stone.**

Teach us, as we hold someone's hand or feet,

**their unmeasurable worth in your sight.**

Shape with us hearts that love and adore you,

**And free us to love one another for the glory of God and our neighbors good. Amen.**

Washing one another's feet/hands

## AGAPE' MEAL

### Scripture

Acts 2:42-47

### Prayer

Eating Together

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

### Scripture

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Invitation to the Table of the Lord

Unison Statement of Faith for the Bread

*The bread which we break is the communion of the body of Christ.*

Unison Statement of Faith for the Cup

*The cup which we bless is the communion of the blood of Christ.*

### Hymn

*Great is Thy faithfulness (vs. 1)*

# 327

### Benediction

\*Please stand as you are able



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## THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

|           |            |                                  |
|-----------|------------|----------------------------------|
| Monday    | 9:00 a.m.  | Crafters                         |
| Tuesday   | 6:00 p.m.  | Peace and Justice<br>Movie Night |
| Wednesday | 10:00 a.m. | Handbells                        |
|           | 6:00 p.m.  | Men's Bible Study                |
|           | 7:00 p.m.  | Choir                            |
| Thursday  | 9:30 a.m.  | Women's Faith Study              |
|           | 2:00 p.m.  | Games                            |
| Friday    |            | SHP Bed Build                    |
| Sunday    | 9:45 a.m.  | Sunday School                    |
|           | 11:00 a.m. | Worship                          |
|           | 12:30 p.m. | Leadership Team                  |
|           | 2:00 p.m.  | CROP Walk                        |

## PRAYER

Sharon Wertz (Star City Nursing and Rehab)  
 Lois Sowder (Terra Bella Pheasant Ridge)  
 Dan Brogan (Berkshire Health and Rehab)  
 Gladis Lehman (Friendship Manor)  
 Marge Montgomery (Pheasant Ridge)  
 Jonna Detweiler, ongoing medical treatment  
 Rachel Mabe, battling cancer  
 Ralph Petcher, recovering at home  
 Jan Grisso, recovering from knee replacement surgery

## ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (9/28)

Sunday School- 42  
 Worship- 104 (in person); 22 (online) = 126  
 Offering- \$ 7,638

## CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

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| <b>Pastor</b>  | <b>Minister of Music</b>   |
| Tim Harvey   | Carol Elmore   |
| <a href="mailto:pastortim@oakgrovecob.org">pastortim@oakgrovecob.org</a> | <a href="mailto:elmores24153@gmail.com">elmores24153@gmail.com</a> |

### Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills, organ  
 Joe Blaha, piano

### Worship leader

Todd Marcum  
 Sara Blaha (October 12)

### Infant Nursery

Pam Conner and Julie Carroll  
 Holly Belcher and Amanda Leddy (October 12)

### Childcare

Trenton and Kristin Marcum, Cooper Purcell  
 Randall Eakin, Trenton & Kristin Marcum, Cooper Purcell (October 12)

### Head Usher

Bill Hall

### Sound Booth

Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs, Eli Raymond

### Acolyte

Gemma Yingling

### Deacon of the Month

Milton and Janet Hartman

## CONNECTING WITH OAK GROVE



Find us on Facebook:  
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.



# FALL Bazaar

Saturday  
Oct.  
18

8 am to 3:00 pm

Baked goods, produce and canned goods in  
the Country Store, pottery, quilts,  
wooden crafts, dog coats and  
other crafts for sale!

**Oak Grove Church of the Brethren**

2138 McVitty Road SW - Behind Starbucks

## Community Festival!

**All activities FREE!**



Bounce house 10-2 pm  
Lunch 11:30-12:30 pm  
Pumpkin painting 12:45-2 pm  
Music 1-2 pm  
and more!



**CROP HUNGER WALK**  
ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME  
BY CWS

## END HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME

THE ROANOKE VALLEY  
**CROP HUNGER WALK**

YOU CAN HELP TRANSFORM COMMUNITIES

-  NUTRITIOUS FOOD
-  CLEAN WATER
-  SAFE HOMES

SIGN-UP, START A TEAM, OR DONATE TODAY AT  
[CROPHUNGERWALK.ORG/ROANOKEVA](https://CROPHUNGERWALK.ORG/ROANOKEVA)

 SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12TH  
REGISTRATION AND KIT BUILDING: 1:30PM  
SEND-OFF: 2:00PM

 FIRST EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
2101 JEFFERSON ST SW, ROANOKE VA



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**Contact Susan Simmons or Evan Jacobs for more  
information!**