

# OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

## OCTOBER 19, 2025

\*Calling in Hymn      *Sweet hour of prayer*      # 11

### Welcome, Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Prelude      *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*      Benjamin Carr

### \*Opening Prayer

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*The congregation responds in bold*

If only you had given us great wealth, Holy God, we think we would be better people and care for others.

**But you think an open hand and not a fist, a journey with a stranger, and the courage to speak out are all the gifts we need.**

If only you had established justice throughout the world, Jesus, instead of simply telling stories, we think the world would not be in such a mess.

**But you tell us that things like a cup of water, a simple meal, a ride to the doctor, an open door, are more than enough to offer to those around us.**

If only you would teach us with simpler words, Holy Spirit, we think we might not have so much trouble figuring out this following thing.

**But you continue to simply whisper grace until it becomes second nature; to sing hope until it becomes an ear worm we can't shake (and don't want to).**

If only you had called different people, God in Community, Holy in One, but you have chosen us instead, so help us to listen, to learn, to live, as we pray as we are taught,

**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.**

Anthem      *How Can I Keep from Singing*      Chris Tomlin

### Children's Story

Alli Yingling

### Call to Giving

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

Offertory      *Give Ear, O God, to My Loud Cry*      Jean Drahmann

\*Response      *Praise God from whom*      # 119

\*Hymn      *There is a balm*      # 627

### Hearing from God's Word

Scripture      James 5:13-16 (NT, p. 231)

Message      ***Stained Glass Sermons, #4 Pitcher of Oil***



### 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      *Anoint us, Lord*      # 631

*During the hymn, you are invited to come forward for prayer, to make a confession of faith, or to be anointed for healing.*

### \*Benediction

\*Postlude      *Variations on today's hymns*

*\*Please stand as you are able*

## 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

Tanya Pizzullo, cancer treatment

Ralph Petcher, recovering at home

Jan Grisso, recovering from surgery

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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 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.



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## THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Sunday	12:30 p.m.	Youth Lunch and Hike
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Crafters
	12:30 p.m.	Backpack
Wednesday	10:00 a.m.	Handbell practice
	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
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Camp Bethel Trek or Treat
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:15 p.m.	Potluck and Council Meeting



*A BIG thank you to those who helped and participated in the Bazaar and Community Festival yesterday!*

## CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Minister of Nurture and Music</b>
Tim Harvey	Carol Elmore
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### Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills, organ  
Joe Blaha, piano

### Worship leader

Julie Hall  
Connie Bierly (October 26)

### Infant Nursery

Tina Angle  
Robin Craighead and Carolyn Morris (October 26)

### Childcare

Trenton & Kristin Marcum and Cooper Purcell  
Lisa Newell, Anna Hosey and Cooper Purcell (October 26)

### Head Usher

Bill Hall

### Sound Booth

Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs, Eli Raymond

### Deacons of the Month

Milton and Janet Hartman

## ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (10/12)

Sunday School- 45

Worship- 117 (in person); 16 (online) = 133

Men's Bible Study- 10

Offering- \$ 3,026.00; \$ 620.00 (online) = \$ 3,464.00