

# OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

## NOVEMBER 2, 2025

### HOMECOMING SUNDAY • ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

\*Calling-In Hymn      *Brethren, we have met*      # 8

#### Welcome and Announcements

Prelude      *Prelude in Classic Style*      Gordon Young

#### \*Call to Worship

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*The congregation responds in bold*

Creating and redeeming God, in Adam, Abraham, and Moses, in Deborah, Esther, and Mary, you chose not simply to direct the course of events but to be in relationship with us and to entrust your children with the embodiment and exercise of your will.

**In the dying and rising Christ you gave us a Savior and an example, and in every generation you call people to imitate the pattern of his life and death and so witness to your glory.**

You do not call us to be heroes who go it alone,

**but saints whose every breath depends on others and on you.**

#### \*Prayer of Invocation

Eternal God, you have always taken men and women of every nation, age and color and made them saints—ordinary people and ordinary lives placed in your hands, transformed and baptized in Jesus' name.

May it be that we, too, will follow you and even share your glory on that great Day when all things are fully and finally reconciled forever. Amen.

\*Hymn      *O God, our help in ages past*      # 328

Children's Story      Martha Gregory

2025 Memorial Tribute Video      *Abide With Me*      Ricky & Julia Valadez  
 (Stephen Wills, organ and Sam Phillips, viola)

#### Call to Giving

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

Offertory      *Partita on DENNIS*      Franklin Ashdown

\*Response      *Praise God from whom*      # 118

#### Anthem

*Come Build a Church*

Ken Medema

#### Hearing from God's Word

Scripture      John 15:1-12 (NT, p. 109)

Message      ***A Fruit Bearing Sacrificial Life***  
***Stained Glass Sermons, #6***  
***Alexander Mack, Sr. Seal***  
***Ed Woodard, Pastor***



#### 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      *Love divine, all loves excelling*      # 545

#### \*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

Kitty Kurtz, recovering from surgery

Jake Keating, recovering from surgery

## 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 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.



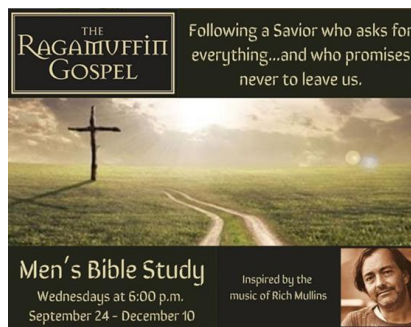
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## THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Peace & Justice
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
		<i>Commissions (as needed)</i>
Sunday	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:30 p.m.	Board Retreat



## ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (10/26)

Sunday School- 40  
 Worship- 114 (in person); 11 (online) = 125  
 Men's Bible Study- 20  
 Offering- \$ 3,593.00; \$ 423.61 (online) = \$ 4,014.61

## 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  
 Sam Phillips, viola  
 Ronald Robinson, string bass

### Worship leader

Pastor Tim Harvey  
 Jill Mooney (November 9)

### Infant Nursery

Pam Conner and Julie Carroll  
 Amanda and Rachel Leddy (November 9)

### Childcare

Lisa Newell, Amanda Leddy, Cooper Purcell  
 Rhonda Marcum and Cooper Purcell (November 9)

### Head Usher

Bill Hall

### Sound Booth

Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs, Eli Raymond

### Deacons of the Month

Mark and Gloria Harmon