

OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
JANUARY 11, 2026

***Calling in Hymn** *As the deer pants* # 1017

Welcome and Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Prelude

***Call to Worship**

© 2026, Lectionary Liturgies (adapted)
The congregation responds in bold

O Christ, led by the Spirit to wander in temptation's wilderness, you show us how to turn our backs on the wrong ways of the world, so we can follow you faithfully:

walk with us, Lord Jesus.

O Christ, Wellspring of wonder, you let go of your glory, so you might hold our shattered hearts.

Cradle us, Lord Jesus.

O Christ, grace-full and truth-full, you empty yourself to fill us with the bread which makes us whole, with the living waters which burst the banks of our faded dreams.

Fill us, Lord Jesus.

O Christ, Shatterer of sin's deathgrip, into our despair you bring hope; in our fear, you come with peace; in our loneliness, you become our sibling.

Save us, Lord Jesus.

Jesus Christ, Lamb of God

have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world:

pour out your grace upon us.

Jesus Christ, gift of salvation:

grant us your peace.

Anthem *Seek Ye First/Jesus is the Answer* arr. Benjamin Harlan

Children's Story Kirsten Lubbs-Robinson

Call to Giving

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

Offertory

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

Song *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* Spiritual
(Robert Smith, Millard Flora, Ronald Robinson, J.T. Spartaro)

Hearing from God's Word

Scripture Matthew 4:1-11 (NT, p. 3)

Message ***What do we find in the wilderness?***

A moment of quiet reflection

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** *Come, thou fount of every blessing* # 521

***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 (Old Southwest Rehab)

Marge Montgomery (Pheasant Ridge)

Betty Wills (Brandon Oaks Rehab)

Jonna Detweiler, ongoing medical treatment

Rachel Mabe, battling cancer

Ralph Petcher, recovering at home

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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.



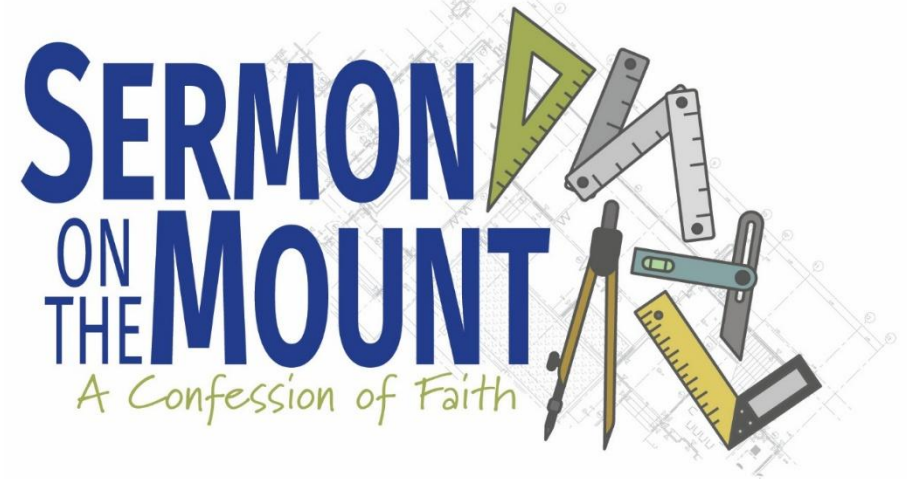
Need a hearing device, wheelchair, cushion, or have a question?
Our head usher will be glad to be of assistance.



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.



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