

OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
AUGUST 2, 2026 • FINDING GOD IN THE MUSIC

*Calling in Hymn *My life flows on* (vs. 1 - 3) # 580
 Joyful, joyful (vs. 2) # 71

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Sing A New Song Of Joy!* Livingston

*Call to Worship
 The congregation responds in bold.

A love that never ceases,
 a creativity that designed the universe,
a hope that cannot be quenched,
 a pursuit of reconciliation no matter the cost:
these are the things that are of God,
 we are here to worship our God!

***Prayer of Invocation**

Our God, you alone are Lord of all the nations of the earth. Remember those who have been created in your image but have not known—or even have walked away from—the redeeming work of our Savior Jesus Christ.

May the faith we claim and the lives we live and the prayers we bring be the means through which they may be brought to know and worship you. Amen.

Moment for Mission

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Offertory *Joyful, Joyful* arr. Jolene Boyd

*Response *Praise God from whom* # 119

Hearing from God's Word

Scripture Psalm 98 (OT, p. 551)

Message *I'm alive!*

A moment of quiet reflection

Pastoral Prayer with the collect *For the Mission of the Church*

From the Book of Common Prayer

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near. Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Song, with children *In This Together* insert

***Benediction**

*Postlude *Variations on today's hymns*
 *Please stand as you are able

PRAYER

Sharon Wertz (Star City Nursing & Rehab)
Lois Sowder (Terra Bella Pheasant Ridge)
Betty Wills (Brandon Oaks)
Martha Gregory (Raleigh Court Rehab)
Rachel Mabe, battling cancer
Bill Fowler, recovering from infection at home
Jonna Detweiler, recovering from sepsis
Rosemary Saul, recovering from surgery
Vicki Turner, recovering from surgery

Sympathy and prayers to the family of Lowell Foutz who passed away July 29, 2026. The funeral service will be Sunday, August 9 at Oakey's Vinton Chapel. Visitation will be from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. with the funeral service at 3:00 p.m. Burial will be Monday, August 10 at 10:00 a.m. at Evergreen Cemetery in Roanoke.

District Prayer:

Pray for the World Hunger Auction to be held at the Antioch Church in Franklin County, Virginia on August 9. Let us pray that God might multiply the efforts to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and care for the imprisoned.

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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.



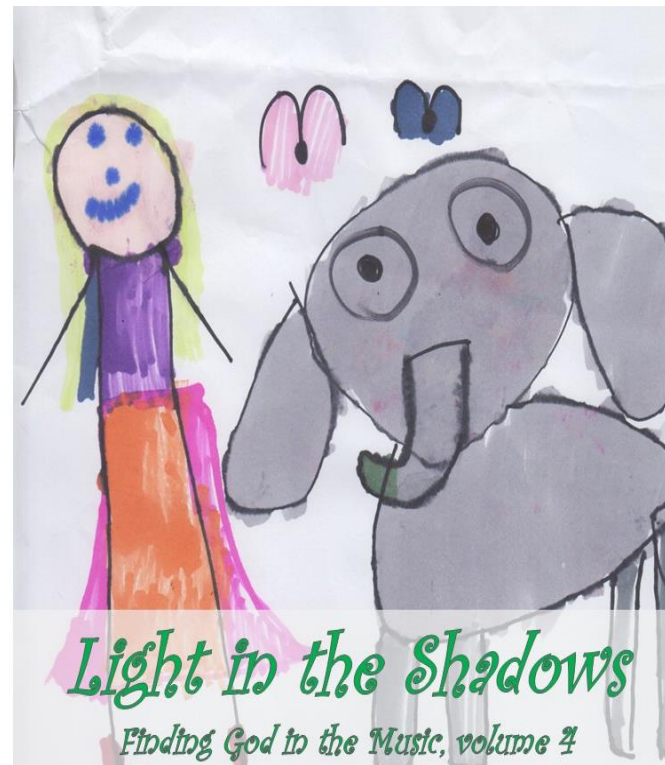
Need a hearing device, wheelchair, cushion, or have a question?
Our head usher will be glad to be of assistance.



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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THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

Today	12:30 p.m.	Lunch and Concert
Monday	9:00 a.m.	Crafters
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Peace & Justice
Thursday	2:00 p.m. Evening	Games Commissions
Sunday	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School Worship

Celebrating the 43rd year of the
WORLD HUNGER AUCTION
 Saturday, August 8
 9:30 a.m.

Antioch Church of the Brethren
 2996 Callaway Road
 Rocky Mount

CRAFT ITEMS QUILTS
 BOOKS FURNITURE TOYS
Special Gifts and Services
 CANNED AND **BAKED GOODS**
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The World Hunger Auction feeds the hungry through the following international, national and local organizations: Heifer International, Church of the Brethren Global Food Initiative, Roanoke Area Ministries (RAM House), Lake Christian Ministries, Heavenly Manna, Stepping Stone and His Cupboard

CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor

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Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills, organ
 Joe Blaha, piano

Worship leader

Dan Lubbs
 Sara Blaha (August 9)

Infant Nursery

Robin Craighead

Childcare

Vacation Bible School in Fellowship Hall

Head Usher

Bill Hall

Sound Booth

Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs, Eli Raymond

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (7/26)

Sunday School- 48

Worship- 94 (in person); 19 (online) = 113

Offering- \$ 3,685.00; \$ 205.00 (online) = \$ 3,890.00