

OAK GROVE CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
AUGUST 30, 2026 • FINDING GOD IN THE MUSIC

Introit *It is Well with My Soul* Spafford/Bliss
Robert Smith, Scott Yingling, Mike Tyler

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *A New Song* Dennis Elliott
He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. (Ps. 40:3)

***Call to Worship** Joe Blaha, Conner Hosey

Reader 1: How much does God love us?

Reader 2: God loves us enough to swallow up death forever.

Reader 1: How much does Jesus love us?

Reader 2: Jesus loves us enough to share our loss and grief.

Reader 1: How much does the Spirit loves us?

Reader 2: The Holy Spirit loves us enough to offer us words of hope we can trust.

***Prayer of Invocation**

You call us to be Your children; You gift us to serve all people; You send us to proclaim Your good news to all. Glory to You, Creator of all that is new!

You whisper in our ears, so we may praise You; You fill our souls, so we may serve You; You lead us into the kingdom, so we may live with You.

Glory to You, Spirit of Gentleness!

Amen.

***Hymn** *New earth, heavens new* # 299

Children's Story/Bibles to 2nd graders Harper Frantz, Jack Frantz,
Donovan Hernandez, Charlotte Robinson, Gemma Yingling

Moment for Mission

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Offertory *I Need Thee Every Hour* arr. Jolene Boyd

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

Hearing from God's Word

Scripture Revelation 21:1 – 4 (NT, p. 259)

Message *Sweet Sounds of Heaven*

Worship through Communion

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed.
we have not loved you with our whole heart.
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy
forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be,
that we may do justly, love mercy,
and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen.

Sharing the bread and cup

You are invited forward to receive communion. If you would prefer to receive communion in your pew, a deacon will serve you there.

***Hymn** *Shall we gather at the river* # 615

***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)
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
Jane Grisso, recovering from illness
John King III, recovering from hip replacement surgery

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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.



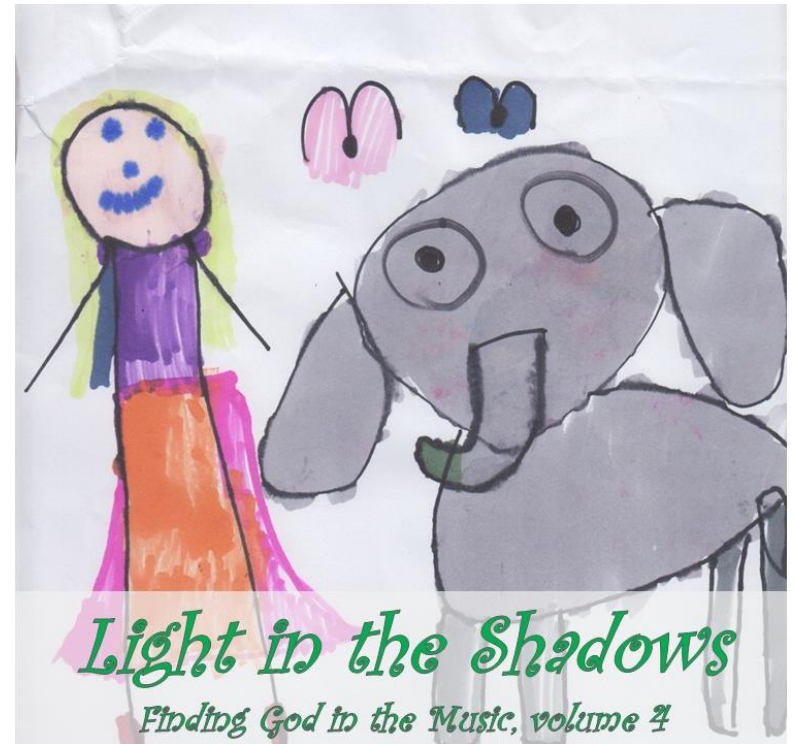
Need a hearing device, wheelchair, cushion, or have a question?
Our head usher will be glad to be of assistance.



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

Monday	9:00 a.m.	Crafters
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Peace & Justice
Wednesday	5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Choir at Wildwood Choir
Thursday	2:00 p.m. Evening	Games Commissions
Saturday	7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m.	Camp Bethel Pep! 5K SHP Bed Build at Glenvar H.S.
Sunday	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday School Worship



ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING (8/23)

Sunday School- 60

Worship- 115 (in person); 14 (online) = 129

Offering- \$ 2,552.00; \$ 500.00 (online) = \$ 3,052.00

CHURCH STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Pastor

Tim Harvey
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Minister of Nurture and Music

Carol Elmore
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Instrumentalists

Stephen Wills, organ
Joe Blaha, piano

Worship leader

Connor Hosey
Dave Jones (September 6)

Infant Nursery

Robin Craighead

Childcare

Kris Tilley-Lubbs, Kirsten Lubbs-Robinson, and Cooper Purcell

Head Usher

Bill Hall

Sound Booth

Don Pizzullo, Evan Jacobs, Eli Raymond

Deacon of the Month

Randall Eakin and Tina Angle

Sweet Sounds of Heaven
The Rolling Stones with Lady Gaga

I hear the sweet, sweet sounds of Heaven fallin' down, fallin' down to
this earth

I hear the sweet, sweetest sounds of Heaven, driftin' down, driftin'
down to this earth

Bless the Father, bless the Son, hear the sound of the drums
As it echoes through the valley, and it bursts, yeah
Let no woman or child go hungry tonight
Please protect us from the pain and the hurt, yeah

I smell the sweet scents, sweet (sweet scents of Heaven, Heaven)
Tumblin' down, tumblin' down, tumblin' down to the earth
I hear the sweet sounds, (the sweet sounds, ooh, the sweet sounds of
children) And they're praisin', praisin' the land of their birth

No, I'm not, not goin' to Hell in some dusty motel
And I'm not, not goin' down in the dirt
I'm gonna laugh, I'm gonna laugh, I'm gonna cry, I'm gonna cry
Eat the bread, drink the wine 'cause I'm finally, finally quenchin'
My thirst, yeah

You can't have a light without a little shadow, yeah
Always need a target for your bow and arrow
I want to be drenched in the rain of your heavenly love
Oh, yeah, c'mon

Let the music, let the music play loud, play loud
Let it burst, let it burst through the clouds, through the clouds
And we all feel the heat of the sun, yeah
Yeah, let us sing, let us shout, let us shout
Let us all stand up proud
Let the old still believe that they're young, yeah

Sweet, sweet sound

Sounds so sweet, oh, so sweet
Sounds so sweet, so sweet
Heaven, heaven
Down, fallin' down, fallin' down to this earth