

Sunday, April 8, 2018

Sunday School – 101 Worship – 161

**OFFERING**

Spending Plan (general)	\$5,807.50
Relief Meat Canning	\$50.00
Easter Lilies	\$50.00
OG Mennonite Women	\$245.00

Oak Grove offers an electronic giving option. Please contact the church treasurer at [treasurer.oakgrove.smithville@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.oakgrove.smithville@gmail.com), if interested.

**SAVE THE DATES**

**April 28** – Plant Exchange

**May 20** – Graduation Recognition Sunday

**July 14** – Bicentennial: Piano Recital by George Bixler, 7pm

**July 15** – Bicentennial: Hymn Sing, 2pm

*Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Celebrating 200 Years  
Oak Grove Mennonite Church

1818-2018

April 14 & 15, 2018 – Historical Reflections

July 14 & 15, 2018 – Hymn Sing & Hymnal Celebration

October 13 & 14, 2018 – Homecoming & Concert

**Bicentennial Blanket Project:** On Wednesday, 17 comforters were knotted! A big thank you to everyone who helped to accomplish the largest number of comforters knotted in a single event to date. THANK YOU! The 17, once binding is done, will push our growing count of completed comforters over 100. Your continued assistance with knotting is needed as we press ahead to reach our goal. You have been wonderful in working on this project. Those of you working on throws, remember there is yarn in the project room for your knitting and crocheting pleasure. Throws are greatly appreciated as well as we strive to provide expressions of love and care to persons suffering in our neighborhoods, as well as those around the world.

**DEADLINE NOTICE:** A reminder again that **ALL packets of blocks in your hands not yet sewn need to be done and returned to the project room no later than May 5.** Return the sewn blocks, along with the numbered plastic bag you received the blocks in. Your help in getting these completed is appreciated.

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**OAK GROVE**  
**MENNONITE CHURCH**  
1818-2018

Sunday, April 15, 2018

**Prelude:** Kathy Smucker

**Welcome:** Pastor Doug, Worship Leader

**Call to Worship**

**Prayer**

**Hymns:** HWB#102 “To God Be the Glory”

HWB#50 “Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah”

-Nate Gundy, song leader

**Community Life Announcements**

*Sketches of God’s Faithfulness – Levi Miller*

**Theme Hymn:** “Great Is Thy Faithfulness” – George Bixler

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering**

**Offertory:** Kathy Smucker, piano; Brett Buller, violin

**Children’s Time:** Miriam Zehr

**Hymn:** HWB#311 “The Church’s One Foundation”

**Scripture:** Hebrews 12:1 & 2; 1 Corinthians 3:1-17

**Jr. Church** (children age 3 through Grade 2) – c/o Crystal Conrad

**Sermon:** “Oak Grove’s Contribution to God’s Work—Then & Now”

-Jason Kauffman

**Hymn of Response:** HWB#327 “Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

**Benediction**

### *This Week at Oak Grove*

**8:30-9:30am: Coffee/Fellowship & Displays in Foyer**

**8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer**

**9:15am: Joint Adult Sunday School**

**9:30am: Worship at OrrVilla**

**10:30am: Sunday Worship – Jason Kauffman**

**Greeters:** Leonard & Nancy Douce

**Nursery:**

**9:15am** – Olivia Wenger & Miriam Zehr

**10:30am** – Ralph & Barb Reinford

*Monday, April 16*

Education Commission, 10am

*Wednesday, April 18*

Outreach Immigration Meal

*Saturday, April 21*

ECOSN Workshop, 1-3pm

**Happy Birthday!**

4.16 Welma Stutzman

4.16 Tom Smucker

4.16 Craig Mast

4.16 Imzadia Conrad

4.17 Bob Schloneger

**Happy Anniversary!**

4.21 Leonard & Nancy Douce (56)

### *Next Sunday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018*

**8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer**

**9:15am: Sunday School**

**10:30am: Sunday Worship – Pastor Doug**  
“Blessing God’s Name Forever”

**MYF Service Trip Meeting**

**Greeters:** Betty Krabill & Bob Krabill

**Nursery:**

**9:15am** – Dale & Marilyn Jaquet

**10:30am** – Matt & Megan Hochstetler

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The rosebuds this morning honor the births of two Stutzman babies!** Rob & Jennifer Stutzman welcomed daughter Sadie Wren on April 4<sup>th</sup> and Mark Stutzman & Lisa Malys welcomed daughter Avery Elizabeth on April 9<sup>th</sup>. The proud grandparents are Morris and Dianne Stutzman.

**There will be a meeting after church in the conference room next Sunday, April 22, for anyone interested in participating in the MYF service trip to Guatemala in July.** If you have any questions, please talk to John or Tammy Lyons.

**Today (April 15), The Cantate Singers invites you to its spring program presenting “Melodious Accord,” arranged by Alice Parker, at Cornerstone Community Church.** The program will begin at 4pm. The church is located at 18600 Davis Rd, Dalton—east of Dalton on US 30, right on West Lebanon Rd (one-half mile), left on Davis Rd (half mile) to church on left.

**Marie Beechy Shisler - 100th Birthday Party:** Oak Grove is invited to an open house on Saturday, April 21, from 1 – 4pm in the Fellowship Hall to help Marie celebrate. All are welcome.

**Coming to Oak Grove – an opportunity to support refugees: Cooking lessons by Local Abundance Kitchen.** Local Abundance Kitchen is a local ministry that supports refugees in learning language skills, earning money by sharing the foods of their cultures, and becoming comfortable with new people and culture. **On April 18, learn to cook Libyan food at the Oak Grove Fellowship Hall.** The cost of the class is \$45 and all class fees support the refugee. See Gladene Hershberger to sign up. More information on Local Abundance Kitchen can be found on the bulletin board.

**You are warmly invited to join MEDA’s Annual Northeast Ohio Dinner on Friday, April 20, at 6:30pm, at The Gardens at Homestead (8233 SR 241, Mount Hope).** We’ll enjoy fellowship together as we learn about MEDA’s sustainable impact in Nigeria from our project manager, Frances Fortune. Frances has worked for 28 years in Africa in the peace and conflict arena before she returned to Canada to pursue a PhD in Global Governance. Meal cost will be covered, and a free will offering will be taken to support our local MEDA project, YouLead; empowering young male and female entrepreneurs. **Please confirm your RSVP by April 17<sup>th</sup>** to [neohio.meda@gmail.com](mailto:neohio.meda@gmail.com) or text 330.317.2483 with full names of attendees.

**Saturday, April 21, 1:30-2:30pm: Oak Grove will be hosting “Immigration: Myths, Realities, and Public Policy.”** This is a mini-workshop resource offered by the East Central Ohio Sanctuary Network (ECOSN).

**The Tom Lantz family is pleased to invite you to join us for our annual Birthday Blood Drive Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, at St. Paul Lutheran Church.** The American Red Cross will be available to take your much needed donation from 9-2:00 that day. To preschedule a specific appointment time, call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). In addition, there will be an opportunity to join the Be The Match registry. Be The Match is the world’s largest listing of potential marrow and stem cell donors, helping make a difference for those battling life threatening diseases. Join us to celebrate life and help someone in need.