

Sunday, April 1, 2018

Sunday School – 101 Worship – 235

OFFERING

Spending Plan (general)	\$6,005.25
Spending Plan (outreach)	\$150.00
Manna for Many	\$129.34
Easter Lilies	\$36.00
Relief Meat Canning/Kidron	\$50.00

Oak Grove offers an electronic giving option. Please contact the church treasurer at treasurer.oakgrove.smithville@gmail.com, if interested.

SAVE THE DATES

April 18 – Local Abundance Kitchen cooking class at OG

April 21 – *Immigration: Myths, Realities, and Public Policy* at OG

April 28 – Plant Exchange

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

Next weekend brings Oak Grove’s first Bicentennial Event – the Oak Grove Historical Reflections Weekend (April 14 & 15). Part of our celebration will include various displays, which will be set up in the foyer. As you plan to attend these events (7pm on Saturday and Sunday morning’s worship service), please allow yourself enough time to enjoy and observe these displays.

Oak Grove Bicentennial

Historical Reflections Weekend

Saturday, April 14, 2018 - 7:00 P.M.

Historical Timeline Presentation;

Book Reveal: *"Sketches of God's Faithfulness"* by Levi Miller
"Importance of Reflecting on Our Past" - Jason Kauffman

Sunday, April 15, 2018

9:00 a.m. Informal Coffee Fellowship

9:15 Joint Adult Education: *"Oak Grove and Its Contribution to the Broader Church"* - PJ Miller & Jason Kauffman;

10:30 Worship: *"Oak Grove's Contribution to God's Work Then & Now"* - Jason Kauffman



**OAK GROVE
MENNONITE CHURCH**

1818-2018

Sunday, April 8, 2018

Prelude: *Rita Schrock*

Welcome: *Anson Miedel*, Worship Leader

**Call to Worship
Prayer**

Hymns: HWB#166 "I'll Praise My Maker"

HWB#81 "O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing"

-Gloria Miller, song leader

**Community Life Announcements
Pastoral Prayer**

Offering

Offertory: *Rita Schrock*

Children's Time: *Miriam Zehr*

Hymn: SJ#18 "Over My Head"

Scripture: Psalm 145

Sharing: "Memories of Greatness"

*We will tell of the power of your awesome works,
and proclaim your great deeds.*

*We will celebrate your abundant goodness
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.*

Hymn of Response: HWB#72 "When All Thy Mercies"

Benediction

Hymn: SJ#76 The Lord Bless You and Keep You

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This Week at Oak Grove

8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15am: Sunday School

10:30am: Sunday Worship – Sharing God Moments

Visitation Ministry

Greeters: Paul & Sherry Miller

Nursery:

9:15am – Dennis & Karen Ramseyer

10:30am – Matt & Beth Falb

Wednesday, April 11

Comfort Project, 2-4pm & 6-8pm

Thursday, April 12

Church Board, 7pm

Saturday, April 14

Bicentennial: Historical Reflections

“Importance of Reflecting on Our Past” w/ Jason Kauffman, 7pm

Happy Birthday!

4.9 Sean Pollard

4.9 Emily Buller

4.10 Bethany Nussbaum

4.11 Wanda Hostetler

4.12 Galen Lehman

4.13 Gladene Hershberger

Happy Anniversary!

4.11 John & Tammy Lyons (31)

Next Sunday, April 15th, 2018

Bicentennial: Historical Reflections Weekend

8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15am: Sunday School

9:30am: Worship at OrrVilla

10:30am: Sunday Worship – Jason Kauffman

“Oak Grove’s Contribution to God’s Work Then & Now”

Greeters: Leonard & Nancy Douce

Nursery:

9:15am – Olivia Wenger & Miriam Zehr

10:30am – Ralph & Barb Reinford

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Special thanks to Gladene Hershberger who made the banners for our bicentennial year. We celebrate the gift of creativity that she has so willingly shared in creating these banners.

The Endowment Committee has considered and approved the following grant applications: 1.) \$3000 for The Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism and Mennonite World Conference to help fund the Renewal 2027 events in Kisumu, Kenya, in April 2018 and San Jose, Costa Rica, in April 2019. 2.) \$2800 for Mennonite Missions Network Service Adventure for Jessica Porr to serve with the Service Adventure Unit House and Prince of Peace Mennonite Church in Anchorage Alaska. Comments are welcomed by committee members George Bixler, Linda Jaquet, Levi Miller, Sherry Miller, Steve Miller and Willie Troyer. The committee will meet after church on April 15 to finalize these requests.

The Cantate Singers invites you to its spring program presenting “Melodious Accord,” arranged by Alice Parker, on Sunday, April 15, 4 p.m., at Cornerstone Community Church. 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.

Bicentennial Blanket Project: Circle your calendar for Wednesday, April 11, as a reminder to come and help to knot comforters! Help move the project forward from 2:00-4:00 and 5:30/6:00-8:00.

DEADLINE NOTICE: ALL packets of blocks in your hands and not yet sewn need to be done and returned to the project room by May 5. Time is needed to have tops ready for knotting. Your help in getting these completed is appreciated.

The Neighborhood, a group in Holmes County, is seeking to elevate the voices of marginalized communities through storytelling, and invites you to a free one-day conference, “The Neighborhood: Who is my neighbor?” The event will take place April 14th, from 10am-4pm at the Gardens at Homestead (8226 OH-241, Fredericksburg, OH 44627). You’ll have the opportunity to hear and learn from those in your community who have had an experience that may differ from your own. Expect to learn new ways to discuss race and culture using a gospel-centric framework, eat some great food, and build new relationships. Learn more and find the registration on our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/HCtheneighborhood. **Additional information can be found on the bulletin board.**

We at Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), along with our partners around the world, are blessed by your continuing support for the work of MCC. Thank you, friends and supporters at Oak Grove Mennonite, for the many ways you contribute to the work of MCC. In addition to the donations, energy and time you give at relief sales, thrift shops, meat canning and with material resources, your congregation contributed **\$3,016** in 2017. We are especially grateful for your prayer support for MCC's work. Whether in Lebanon, Bangladesh, Nigeria, Ukraine or Appalachia, your support is sharing God's love and compassion through relief, development and peace in the name of Christ. Find more stories at mcc.org. Thank you!
Sarah Geiser, Church Relations, MCC Great Lakes

Announcement for CDC congregations: When God calls someone to ministry, a journey begins. Perhaps you are on that journey. Perhaps you are looking for mentors and companions along the way. Central District Conference invites you to join Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program. This program is for pastors and other congregational leaders who are called without specific training for ministry or who are exploring a call to pastoral ministry. The deadline to apply for fall 2018 is July 17. For more information visit www.ambs.edu/journey or contact your pastor, or Doug Luginbill at confmin@mcusacdc.org or at [574-534-1485](tel:574-534-1485).