

Sunday, October 30, 2016

Sunday School –111 Worship –143

Offering

Spending Plan	\$4,636.00
Esther Shafer Memorial	\$100.00

2016 Spending Plan

Approved Spending Plan	\$310,927.00
Year to date received	\$231,366.00
Funds needed by year end	\$79,561.00

STEWARDSHIP/GIVING MESSAGE:

This is the miracle that happens every time to those who really live: the more they give the more they receive.

~ Rainer Maria Rilke

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 4 – 5:30-7:30 p.m. – Search for the Christ Child

December 9 – 7:00-9:00 p.m. – Messiah rehearsal

December 10 – 4:00-6:00 p.m. – Messiah rehearsal

December 11 – 2:30 p.m. – The Messiah

December 24 – 6:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 25 – 10:00 p.m. – Worship

MDS: Announcing the Annual Fall Meeting of E. OH/NW PA Units MDS to be held at Mapleview Mennonite Church, 14890 Burton-Windsor Rd., Burton, OH 44021 on **November 19, 2016**. Registration is at 6:30 p.m. with meeting at 7:00 p.m. Copies of the agenda are on the table in the foyer.

The Upper Room for November & December is on the table in the foyer. Please feel free to take one for yourself or a friend.

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Douglas J. Zehr pastor@oakgrovemc.org
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Election Day Communion: You have the opportunity to come together and participate in an Election Day communion service. Martins Mennonite Church in Orrville and Wooster Mennonite Church will hold services on November 8, at 7:00 p.m.

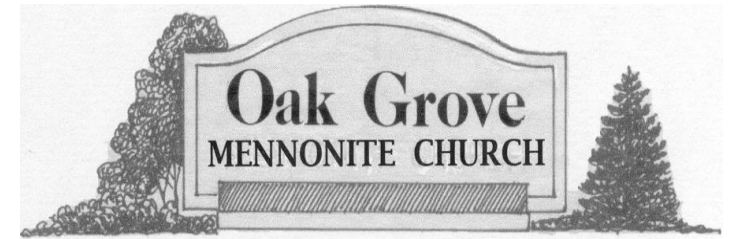
Sonnenberg Station is an 18-voice men’s choral ensemble based in Kidron, Ohio. See the bulletin board for information on upcoming performances.

The Cantate Singers will be performing next Sunday, November 13, at 5:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 621 College Ave., in Wooster. The program theme is *Hope, Peace, Reconciliation*. See the poster on the bulletin board for more information.

World Crafts is a non-profit organization providing fair, vital income to artisans around the world through the sale and marketing of their handcrafted products. World Craft sells Ten Thousand Villages products, which has historical roots under Mennonite Central Committee. World Crafts Christmas open house is Thursday, November 10, 9:30 am - 8:00 pm. You will receive 20% off your purchase and refreshments will be available. You can also register to win a gift certificate. World Crafts is located at 13110 Emerson Rd, Kidron. For more information, go to worldcraftskidron.com or call 330-857-0590.

What’s Happening at Oak Grove Preschool?

The color of the month is brown and the shape is a triangle. The children will be having class pictures taken and they will be holding a Preschool Election. They will be learning about the American Indians and looking forward to a Preschool Thanksgiving Feast. There is an opportunity to bring unwrapped toys for People to People and the older class will be taking a field trip to visit at OrrVilla.



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Sunday, November 6, 2016

Prelude – Angela Buller

Welcome – Anson Miedel, Worship Leader

Call to Worship

Prayer

Hymns: HWB#19 “Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty”

HWB#36 “God of Our Strength”

–Paula Vaschiko, song leader

Community Life Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Offertory: Angela Buller

Children’s Time – Miriam Zehr

“In Christ Alone” – Paula Vaschiko, soloist; Dora Short, piano

Scripture: John 1:1-18

Hymn: HWB#151 “Marvelous Grace of our Loving Lord”

Sermon: “BEHOLD: Believing is Seeing” – Pastor Doug

Hymn: HWB#397 “God Loves All His Many People”

Benediction

THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

8:45 a.m. – Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

9:30 a.m. – Worship at OrrVilla

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Pastor Doug

Visitation notes in mailboxes

Greeters: Dan & Linda Jaquet

Nursery:

9:15 a.m. – Dennis & Karen Ramseyer

10:30 a.m. – Hannah Miedel & Gloria Miller

Monday, November 7

6:30 p.m. – Spiritual Life Commission

Wednesday, November 9

7:00 p.m. – Choir practice

Thursday, November 10

7:00 p.m. – Church Board



Birthdays this week

- November 10 – Matt Falb
- 12 – Harris Steiner
- 13 – Annette Steiner

Anniversaries

- November 7 – Jim & Linda Via (46)

NEXT SUNDAY – November 13, 2016

8:45 a.m. – Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Pastor Doug

Message: BEHOLD: “Beholding is Worship”

Scripture: 1 John 1:1-10

Guests: Varsity Singers, Central Christian School

Greeters: Leonard & Nancy Douce

Nursery:

9:15 a.m. – Donna Kindy & Wanda Hostetler

10:30 a.m. – Craig & Krista Martin

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The sculpture on display: The title of the sculpture is “Theosebeia,” a Greek word which means “worshipping God” or “reverencing God” or “sincere adoration.” The sculpture is not an object to be worshipped, but a visual call to focus our worship on God. It is a call to raise our hearts and our thoughts toward God in every part of the worship experience, from the time one enters the sanctuary to the benediction. Sculptor Esther K. Augusburger, writes, “In creating this sculpture, I spent much time in prayer for God’s guidance. It comes to you with my sincere continued prayer that God will use it to enrich the worship hour for each participant.” Our thanks to OH Conference for loaning the sculpture to us.

The Endowment Committee has considered and approved the following two grant applications for the congregation’s consideration: 1) \$900 for airfare for 3 women to attend Women Theologians of Color Conference; 2) \$1500 for Cantate Singers for purchase of music scores and payment of musicians for Spring 2017 Concert. Comments are welcomed by committee members Harold Hochstetler, George Bixler, Kay Hostetler, Linda Jaquet, Steve Miller and Willie Troyer. The committee will meet **today** after church to finalize approval of these requests.

The Annual Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale: Thanks to all the volunteers, contributors and buyers, a total of \$350,000.00 was sent to MCC. A total of \$134,711.09 was collected through “My Coins Count” –with Oak Grove’s contribution being \$531.07. Next year’s sale will again be at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. The 2016 annual report is in the church library for anyone to look at. Thanks to everyone who helped or contributed in any way.

Central Christian Upcoming Activities:

On Friday, November 11, at 7:00 p.m., The Steel Wheels, an American Roots style band, will be in concert at CCS. Members of the band are graduates of our sister MSC schools and are establishing a national name for themselves with their high energy, excellent vocals and instrumentals. To purchase tickets, visit www.ccscomets.org or call 330-857-7311.

The Orrville Community Chorus will present its seventy-third annual performance of MESSIAH by George Frederic Handel on Sunday, December 4, at 7:00 p.m. at Central Christian School in Kidron. Admission is \$5. Students through eighth grade will be admitted free.

Visit the OCC website at www.orrvillecommunitychorus.org for information about the Chorus and the performance.

OrrVilla Events:

The inspiring sounds of the East Chippewa Men’s Vocal Band will fill the common area of OrrVilla Retirement Community’s Maple Terrace on Tuesday evening, November 15, at 7:00 p.m. A men’s quartet based out of Orrville’s East Chippewa Church of the Brethren the band performs throughout the area at retirement centers and community events and is sure to draw a large and enthusiastic audience. Free and open to the public, the event takes place at OrrVilla’s Maple Terrace, 333 E. Sassafras Street, Orrville. For more information please call [330-683-4455](tel:330-683-4455), visit www.orrvilla.org or follow us on Facebook at OrrVilla Retirement Community.