

Sunday, March 1, 2020

SS – 94 Worship – 150

OFFERING

Spending Plan	\$4,798.75
SS: Primary/Jr.	\$10.50
Central Student Aid	\$250.00
Manna for Many	\$100.00
MYF	\$25.00
Seed Money	\$10.00
Rental Deposit	\$100.00

Save the Dates:

- March 21: SpringSpiration – Tony Brown in concert at Oak Grove
- March 25 & 26: Manna for Many at Oak Grove
- April 3-5: MSC Choir Festival Weekend at Central Christian
- June 7-10: VBS at Oak Grove
- June 25-27: CDC Annual Meeting at Oak Grove

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Scripture: John 3:1-17

Sermon: “The Newest, The Latest, The Best. . . Really?”
– Pastor Doug

Confession

All: We confess, O God, that you are faithful, loving, and totally trustworthy.

We also confess our desire for what is familiar, comfortable, and secure.

We acknowledge that you sometimes call us to accept new challenges, new ways of thinking, or new places of service.

Lord, give us the grace to respond to your call when you invite us into new ways of being.

Assurance of pardon

Leader: Friends, the One who calls us is the faithful One who promised to never leave us or forsake us. May you know God’s faithful presence more fully.

All: Thanks be to God.

Hymn of Response: SJ#78 “We Will Walk With God”

Extinguishing the Light: *Lyric Wenger*

Benediction

As we begin our centennial year, on behalf of the 453 partners of Mennonite Central Committee in 53 countries around the world, we thank our friends and supporters at Oak Grove Mennonite Church for the many ways you assist in the relief, development and peace work of MCC. We recognize the value of your prayer support, your assistance with material resources and volunteering at thrift shops, meat canning, and relief sales – and are grateful for your financial contributions of \$3,905.80 in 2019.

Thank you for all your support as we look forward to the next 100 years of sharing God’s love and compassion in the name of Christ. Please visit mcc.org for more inspirational stories of hope provided with by your assistance in this work.

– Sarah Geiser, MCC Great Lakes

Tough
Great
Searching
Real
Important
Eternal

QUESTIONS

Focus on Jesus | Mild to Wild: Anticipation for Everyone

Oak Grove Mennonite Church
Lent 2: Sunday, March 8, 2020

Prelude: *Rindy Morphew*

Welcome: *Beth Hamman*, Worship Leader

Call to Worship

L: We lift up our eyes looking for help.

P: Our help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

L: When we have troubles and difficulties, where does our help come from?

P: Our help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

L: When we are invited into new ways of thinking and being, where does our help come from?

P: Our help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.

Let us worship the One who faithfully helps us and never leaves us or forsakes us.

Prayer

Hymns: HWB#102 “To God Be the Glory”
HWB#167 “For God So Loved Us”
– Gloria Miller, song leader

Community Life Announcements
Pastoral Prayer

Offering
Offertory: *Rindy Morphew*

Children’s Time: *Pastor Miriam*

Hymn: HWB#345 “God Sent His Son”

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This Week at Oak Grove

8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15am: Sunday School

10:30am: Sunday Worship

Greeters: Bruce & Donna Kindy

Nursery:

9:15am – Gloria Miller & Matt Wenger

10:30am – Craig & Krista Martin

Bible Quizzing, 2pm

Coming up this week:

Wednesday, 3/11: Education Commission, 6pm

Choir, 6pm

Soup supper available, 5:30pm

Area Bible Study, 7pm

Happy Birthday!

8 John Zook (80)

9 George Bixler

9 Bruce Kindy

13 Tasha Murray

14 Clair Hostetler (88)

Happy Anniversary!

10 Paula & Joe Vasichko

Next Sunday, March 15, 2020

8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15am: Sunday School

9:30am: Worship at OrrVilla

10:30am: Sunday Worship – Pastor Doug

Lent 3: God in the Ordinary! Oh Really? John 4:5-42

Greeters: Bob Krabill & Betty Krabill

Nursery:

9:15am – Jenna Ramseyer & Velma Zook

10:30am – Anson & Hannah Miedel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanks to Matt Wenger for contributing the piece of wood to our tablespace for Lent.

Quizzing today (3/8) is a local tournament that starts at 2pm rather than the usual 2:30pm. This is the team's last Sunday of quizzing.

The Camp Luz Mother-Daughter Retreat is March 20-21. Mother Daughter duo, Miriam Zehr and Sherah-Leigh Gerber, will be exploring the theme "Feasting Together." Mothers and daughters of all ages are invited to participate. Additional information and registration can be found at www.campluz.com. Scholarships are available – see Craig Martin, Education Commission Camp Liaison, for more details.

The Bel Canto Singers of Hesston College will present a diverse repertoire of choral music Wednesday, March 18, at 7 pm, at Berlin Mennonite Church. The program entitled *Lift Our Voices Together* is a culmination of works performed throughout the academic year. The 18-member, mixed chamber choir is conducted by Dr. Russell Adrian and accompanied by Kenneth Rodgers.

Central District Conference will hold its annual meeting here at Oak Grove on June 25-27. Oak Grove has been asked to host delegates from other CDC congregations. Accommodations would include breakfast, but no other meals. See Debbie Murray or contact the church office by March 13 if you are able to host.

You are invited to participate in the hand bell choir which will be meeting on Wednesday evenings for practice beginning April 22 (6:30pm) and playing on Sunday, May 17th. All ages are welcome. See Kathy Smucker if you would like to join the choir or need more information.

SAVE THE DATE...Vacation Bible School 2020

Theme: Great Big Beautiful World

Dates: Sunday, June 7 - Wed, June 10

Time: 6-8:30pm

Location: Oak Grove Mennonite Church

Ages: 4-Grade 5

Weekly Prayer Bulletin

Pray for...

- Steve & Rindy Morphew, thank God for great test results
- Kevan & Tamara Gill Zechin
- Victims of tornadoes, mass shootings, hurricanes, wildfires & earthquakes
- Refugees here and abroad
- Our nation's leaders
- Kate Widmer, MMN, France
- Austin Zuercher, EMM, Costa Rica

Seniors:

- Mary Jean Troyer

- Mary P. Troyer

Youth & Young Adults:

- Sadie Miedel

- Willow Baer

The Family of the Week:

- Steve & Lucinda Gill

Mission Work:

Rebekah York of Mennonite Mission Network is serving at Mennonite Biblical Seminary of Colombia. Pray for her as she helps prepare young leaders and provides continuing education opportunities for seasoned church leaders.

Ron & Joanne Murray have accepted an MDS-RV assignment at Chipley, FL (in the panhandle) for the month of March. They can be reached by email at jmurr238@hotmail.com. They've asked, "Please remember our unit in your prayers as we work to restore houses that were destroyed by Hurricane Michael in 2018."

An information sheet on care kit distribution is on the bulletin board. See how our efforts have assisted immigrants and detainees.