

**Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

Sunday School – 103    Worship – 145

**OFFERING**

Spending Plan (general)	\$4,567.00
Spending Plan (outreach)	\$350.00
Manna for Many	\$425.00

*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**

**March 30** – Good Friday Tenebrae Service with Communion, 7pm

**April 1** – Easter Celebration

8:30am – Easter breakfast in church foyer

9:15am – Sunday School

10:30am – Easter Worship

**April 5** – Central Christian & Iowa Mennonite Choir Concert at OG

**April 28** – Plant Exchange

*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

**Hymn:** HWB#145 “There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

**Scripture:** Numbers 21:4-9

**Sermon:** “Covenant: God’s Promise Through Moses (2)”  
– *Pastor Doug*

**Hymn of Response:** HWB#150 “Wonderful Grace of Jesus”

**Benediction**



**OAK GROVE  
MENNONITE CHURCH**

**1818-2018**

**Sunday, March 11, 2018**

**Lent 4 – Covenant: God’s Promise Through Moses (2)**

**Prelude:** *Kathy Smucker*

**Welcome:** *Beth Hamman*, Worship Leader

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Who comes in the name of God?

Step into the light and be known.

**People: We are coming, through darkness and fear.**

**We come into the light by the power of God.**

Leader: People of God, God has heard your cries

and is opening a way for you.

**People: We are here, through darkness and fear.**

**We come into the light of this day by the power of God.**

Leader: You are here, and God is here. What will you do?

**People: Together we will worship our God.**

**Prayer**

**Hymns:** HWB#68 “O Come, Loud Anthems Let Us Sing”

HWB#151 “Marvelous Grace of our Loving Lord”

–*Reneda Miller*, song leader

**Community Life Announcements**

**Confession**

**Words of Assurance**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering**

**Offertory:** *Kathy Smucker*

**Children’s Time:** *Bethany Nussbaum*

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### *This Week at Oak Grove*

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

**9:15am: Sunday School**

**10:30am: Worship – Pastor Doug**

**Greeters:** Jess & Beth Hamman

**Nursery:**

**9:15am** – Velma Zook & Donna Kindy

**10:30am** – Scott & Jolene Jaquet

**Happy Birthday!**

3.13 – Tasha Murray

3.14 – Clair Hostetler (86)

3.15 – Roger Ramseyer (81)

3.17 – Ben Troyer

**Happy Anniversary!**

3.16 – Herb & Gladene Hershberger (50)

*Wednesday, March 14*

Choir, 7pm

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

*Thursday, March 15*

Sing-a-long with Kathy Smucker, 2pm

Bicentennial Committee, 6:30pm

Education Commission, 7pm

*Saturday, March 17*

Seed & Bulb Exchange, 3pm

### *Next Sunday – March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

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

**9:15am: Sunday School**

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

**10:30am: Worship – Pastor Doug**

Covenant: God's Promise Through Jeremiah  
Jeremiah 31:31-34

**Greeters:** John & Mary Lynn Miller

**Nursery:**

**9:15am** – Gloria Miller & Wanda Hostetler

**10:30am** – Anson & Hannah Miedel

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Bicentennial Committee will be meeting Thursday, March 15, at 6:30 PM.**

**Once again, lilies can be ordered for Easter Sunday in honor of or in memory of someone special.** Lilies are \$9 each; orders and payment should be turned in to the church office. Lilies will be used in the sanctuary as part of the Easter celebration and can then be taken at the conclusion of the worship service. All orders are due by March 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Kathy Smucker will be leading an informal sing-a-long in the music room on Thursday, March 15, at 2:00pm.** Come and enjoy singing some old favorite hymns and some "just for fun" songs. Please let the church office or Kathy know if you need a ride.

**Mary Miedel would like to invite you to her Suzuki violin book 1 recital, on Saturday, March 17, at 1:30pm, in the Oak Grove sanctuary.** There will be a reception afterwards.

**An index for the Historical Room has been created.** If you are interested in having a copy, please contact the church office. A reminder that if you want to look for an item in the historical room, please schedule an appointment with a Historical Committee member (Pauline Smucker, Paul Miller, Phil Horrisberger).

**Bicentennial Blanket Project:** Spring is just around the corner and summer follows soon after. Schedules change for us all – now is the time to work diligently on our comforter project. Come Wednesday from 2:00-4:00 or 5:30-8:00 to help make additional comforters in our march toward our goal.

**Open Arms Hispanic Ministry is hosting TACO TUESDAY,** a fundraising banquet on March 20, at the Kidron Park Community Center. The meal begins at 6 pm and will feature a catered taco bar. Music by guest musician, **Bryan Moyer Suderman**, and a program of Open Arms ministry highlights will follow. A free-will offering will be taken. Please RSVP by March 16, to [OpenArms.rsvpify.com](http://OpenArms.rsvpify.com), to reserve your place for TACO TUESDAY!

**The Hesston College Bel Canto Singers, under the direction of Dr. Russell Adrian, will be making a stop in northeast Ohio as part of their spring break tour.** Everyone is welcome to join the events connected to their visit. Tuesday, March 20 will feature a 6 p.m. Alumni and Friends gathering at Crown Hill Mennonite Church in Rittman with a Hesston College update by Dr. Joseph A. Manickam. Following the gathering, Bel Canto will perform a full concert at 7 p.m. with Central Christian Varsity Singers. Bel Canto will also perform at Central Christian High School chapel at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 21.

**Ecumenical Advocacy Days 2018:** Whether you're newly interested in effective advocacy from a Christ-centered perspective or you're an experienced advocate wanting to network and explore issues, join MCC at the Ecumenical Advocacy Days near Washington DC on April 20-23. The event will focus on the up-rootedness of our world, exploring ways to seek change and advance hope through prayer, worship, advocacy, training and networking. MCC Great Lakes is sending a 12-passenger van to the event and has spots available. To secure your spot or for more information, contact Susan Mark Landis at [SusanMarkLandis@gmail.com](mailto:SusanMarkLandis@gmail.com). For more information on the gathering, visit [advocacydays.org](http://advocacydays.org).