

Sunday, August 26, 2018

Sunday School – 93    Worship – 161

**OFFERING**

Spending Plan (general)	\$5860.90
OG Mennonite College Fund	\$1450.00
MYF	\$50.00
Preschool Playground	\$50.00

*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**

**October 13 & 14** – Bicentennial Homecoming & Concert

**October 13, 15 & 16** – MCC Meat Canning at Kidron

*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*

**Sermon Response:**

**L:** Almighty God,  
We gather today to dedicate ourselves anew  
to your love that is ever seeking fullness in our hearts.

We thank you that we are called  
into the fellowship and service of Jesus Christ,  
and that Christ is able and willing to use us  
to proclaim the kingdom of his love.

**P: We dedicate our gifts of speech, conversation, and writing  
to the cause of peace, love, and reconciliation.**

**L:** We thank you that we are called to use  
the works of our hands,  
the opportunities of professional and business life,  
and the occasions of conversation and fellowship –  
to share with others the love of Christ.

**P: We dedicate our gifts of skill, integrity, and craftsmanship  
to the cause of friendship and Christian witness.**

**L:** We thank you that we are called  
into the church of Jesus Christ  
to extend his healing reign,  
to keep alive the conscience of the world,  
and to carry out the great commission.

**P: We dedicate our gifts of leadership, teaching, and friendship  
to the cause of true community and conscience building.**

**L:** We thank you that we are called into conversation  
with those of other faiths, other nationalities,  
in the spirit of Christ, who calls all to follow him.

**P: We dedicate our denominational insights and treasures  
to the one church,  
and we seek to learn from all  
who profess faith in Christ.**

**L:** We thank you that we are called to share with all humanity,  
regardless of creed, class, or color,  
what we have gained from Christ.

**P: We dedicate to the human family  
our gifts of persuasion, conviction, and experience,  
seeking the good of all  
and the triumph of the kingdom of God. Amen.**

**Hymn:** HWB#357 “O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee”

**Benediction**



**OAK GROVE  
MENNONITE CHURCH**

**1818-2018**

Sunday, September 2, 2018

**Prelude:** *Rindy Morphew*

**Welcome:** *Gladene Hershberger*, Worship Leader

**Call to Worship  
Prayer**

**Hymns:** HWB#100 “Praise Him, Praise Him!”  
HWB#110 “Oh, For A Thousand Tongues to Sing”  
*-Paula Vasichko, song leader*

**Community Life Announcements  
Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering  
Offertory:** *Rindy Morphew*

**Song of the month:** SJ#94 “Blest Are They”

**Scripture:** James 2:14-26

**Hymn:** HWB#548 “Teach Me Thy Truth”

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

**Sermon:** “Honorable Work”- *Pastor Doug*

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*This Week at Oak Grove*

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

**9:15am: Sunday School**

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

**10:30am: Sunday Worship – Pastor Doug**

**Greeters:** Willard & Kay Hostetler

**Nursery:**

**9:15am** – Wanda Hostetler & Diane Schrock

**10:30am** – LaMont & Jen Steiner

*Monday, September 3*

Labor Day, OFFICE CLOSED

*Tuesday, September 4*

First Day of OG Preschool

*Wednesday, September 5*

First Day of OG Preschool

Mennonite Women, 9am

Offering project – Preschool playground

**Happy Birthday!**

3 Doug Kratzer

4 Bryan Martin

5 Dora Short

6 Lynae Baer

6 Corbin Schrock

9 Bob Amstutz

*Next Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

*Christian Formation Sunday*

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

**9:15am: Sunday School**

**10:30am: Sunday Worship – Sara Wenger Shenk, President AMBS**  
“Behold, A Written Scroll” - Ezekiel 2:1-10, 3:1-3

**Greeters:** Loren Hostetler & Jennifer Hartzler

**Nursery:**

**9:15am** – Dale & Marilyn Jaquet

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

**Visitation Ministry**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Next Sunday** we will be celebrating **Christian Formation**

**Sunday.** Sara Wenger Shenk, President of AMBS, will be the speaker. Bob Yoder, Church Relations, will be here as well. You are invited to join them for lunch at The Barn following worship. Please let Miriam know if you can join in conversation with them over lunch.

**This Sunday begins our new S. S. quarter.** Classes are available for children, youth and adults. Two adult classes will be using the *Journey Forward* curriculum:

**Pathfinders/Christians & Culture** - first room on right in basement

**Builders** - last room on right in basement

Other options are:

**Bible Study class (Matthew)** - Conference room (room on right inside foyer, east)

**Christian Seek & Serve** - Adult Bible Study (quarterly) – (room on left inside foyer, east)

**The church office will be closed** on Monday for Labor Day.

**Last call for Oak Grove Bicentennial T-shirts!** If you would like to purchase one, please contact Angela Buller ASAP. A few shirts are in stock. We will need a minimum of twelve to reorder.

Thanks for your prompt attention.

**MCC Meat Canning for Relief** is scheduled for October 13, 15 & 16 at the Gerber Building in Kidron. Starting time is 5:00 a.m. and runs well into the evening. More information will come later.

**Outreach Commission is sponsoring another opportunity for you to learn about immigrants new to our area.** A Sudanese meal will be offered September 12, from 6-8:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. The meal provides an opportunity for an immigrant woman to build communication skills and earn income for her family. Call Gladene at 330-464-4233 to reserve your place for the evening.

**Bicentennial Homecoming and Concert:** Come participate in the bicentennial choir, performing on Saturday, October 13, under the direction of Byron Kauffman. Rehearsals will take place on the Sundays listed below, beginning at 3:30pm (childcare provided). If you have any questions, please see a concert committee member: Kathy Smucker, Hannah Miedel & Kelsey Troyer.

**Rehearsal Dates: September 9, September 16, September 23, September 30 & October 7**

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