

**Sunday, September 23, 2018**

Sunday School – 92    Worship – 153

**OFFERING**

Spending Plan (general)	\$4,543.00
Preschool Playground	\$400.00
Oak Grove Compassion Fund	\$3,433.00

*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 16** – Ohio Conference Cluster Meeting at Wooster MC  
**October 22, 23 & 24** – MCC Meat Canning  
**November 10** – Sonnenberg Station Concert at Oak Grove

*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

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

**Sermon:** “The Mystery of Faith” - *Pastor Doug*

**Hymn of Response:** “Change My Heart, O God”

**Benediction**



**OAK GROVE  
MENNONITE CHURCH**  
1818-2018

**Sunday, September 30, 2018**

**Prelude:** *Ryan Conrad*

**Welcome:** *Paul Miller*, Worship Leader

**Call to Worship**

L: The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen can ever tell.

**P: Though tongue and pen falter, our hearts overflow.**

**We long to fill the skies with praise to our God.**

L: Then let us give thanks to God with all our hearts.

Let us tell of all God’s wonderful deeds!

**All: We will be glad and exult together.**

**We will sing praise to the most high God!**

**Prayer**

**Song of the Month:** STJ#94 “Blest Are They”

**Community Life Announcements**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering**

**Offertory:** *Ryan Conrad*

**Songs:** “Revelation Song”

HWB#143 “Amazing Grace”

HWB# 522 “My Jesus I Love Thee”

-*Ryan Conrad*, song leader

**Scripture:** James 5:13-20

**Oak Grove Mennonite Church**

7843 Smucker Road, Smithville, OH

330.669.2697

[www.oakgrovemc.org](http://www.oakgrovemc.org)

Pastor Douglas J. Zehr [zehr.douglas@gmail.com](mailto:zehr.douglas@gmail.com)

Associate Miriam R. Zehr [ogpastor.miriam@gmail.com](mailto:ogpastor.miriam@gmail.com)

Church Office [oakgrovemc.smithville@gmail.com](mailto:oakgrovemc.smithville@gmail.com)

Treasurer [treasurer.oakgrove.smithville@gmail.com](mailto:treasurer.oakgrove.smithville@gmail.com)

Church WiFi Password: brightlight7 (OakGrove-Guest)

FH WiFi Password: schoolisbestforyou!

*Continued on back...*

## *This Week at Oak Grove*

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

**9:15am: Sunday School**

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

**Greeters:** Bob Krabill & Betty Krabill

### **Nursery:**

**9:15am** – Linda Schrock & Gloria Miller

**10:30am** – Matt & Beth Falb

*Today, Sunday, September 30*

Bicentennial Choir Practice, 3:30pm

*Wednesday, October 3*

Mennonite Women, 9am

### **Happy Birthday!**

Today - Steve Murray

1 Ron Murray

1 Jessica Witmer Gundy

2 Carrie Skarl

2 Aaron Bontrager

### **Happy Anniversary!**

6 Matt & Beth Falb

## *Next Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018*

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

**9:15am: Sunday School**

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

**10:30am: Sunday Worship – Pastor Timothy Gakunju**

**Greeters:** John & Mary Lynn Miller

### **Nursery:**

**9:15am** – Rindy Morphew & Jennifer Hartzler

**10:30am** – Scott & Jolene Jaquet

**Visitation Ministry**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Come experience a World Communion Sunday celebration!**

Local Ohio Conference Mennonite Churches along with the Akron Swahili Community Church will gather together at Central Christian School in Kidron, on October 7<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30am, to participate in and celebrate communion in three different languages. We will be blessed by a Swahili choir, a Hispanic dance team and a four part traditional choir. After the worship service, a catered meal will be served to all. *See the bulletin board for more details.*

**Women's Retreat at Camp Luz is November 9-11.** It is open to women of all ages and registration is available on the camp's website: [www.camp luz.com](http://www.camp luz.com). Akeia Haddox-Rossiter, pastor of outreach at Capital Christian Fellowship (Lanham, MD), will be speaking. **"Deeply Rooted: Firmly Established"** is the theme for the weekend.

**Healthy Conversations Workshop:** We are immersed in a culture that is more polarized every day, and we are told that the best way out of conflict is to fight (and win). There is another option, though. Join Sonnenberg Mennonite in Kidron for a weekend workshop on November 9-10 learning about and practicing healthy dialogue. The workshop will be led by Jes Stoltzfus Buller, Mennonite Central Committee Peace Education Coordinator. For more information or to RSVP for this free event, call 330-857-8222 or [sonnenbergmc@embarqmail.com](mailto:sonnenbergmc@embarqmail.com).

**Save the date for Camp Luz's Fall Festival Fundraiser & Honeytown Concert!** Starting at 3pm on October 21, festivities will include fall crafts, a pie auction, hayride, pulled pork meal and more. See the bulletin board for more information.

**Bicentennial Blanket Project:** How is your latest comfort care throw project progressing? Tomorrow is October 1, which marks the week to collect all throws. Please place them in the project room for the final tally. **Presently there are 190 throws completed.** Are there 10 more being worked on to reach that delightful 200 number? Thank you for your work!

**Harvest Home Giving Opportunities:** We thank God for our broader church connections, particularly in times of disaster and need. While Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) responds to national disasters, Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) responds to international crises through their local connections around the world.

It is a year of tremendous needs – hurricanes, tornadoes, earthquakes, forest fires, volcanic eruptions & flooding – have created destruction and pain in Puerto Rico, California wildfires, Hurricane Florence in North & South Carolina, Typhoon Mangkhut in addition to continuing relief efforts in Texas, Florida, the Caribbean, Mexico, Nepal, India, Bangladesh, Peru and Columbia.

We invite you to designate your support for **MCC, MDS, MCC Meat Canning in Kidron** or for the **Community Assistance Fund** of the Oak Grove Outreach Commission. All designations will be honored and any undesignated gifts will be given to the 2018 Oak Grove Spending Plan.

Food pantry donations will be shared locally with **People to People, Crown Hill Food Bank** and the **Salvation Army**. Specific needs include regular-sized jars of peanut butter, canned vegetables other than green beans, boxed potatoes, soups, juice, and cereal.