Benediction

Postlude

CALENDAR

This Week:

 Today, 9:30am Education Hour; 10:30am Worship: Growing up Too Fast: Pastor Seth

• Sunday, January 5: Pastor Seth

Upcoming Events:

January 15: Manna for Many February 2: Annual Meeting

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Church WiFi Password (OakGrove-Guest): WelcomeOG

FH WiFi Password: schoolisbestforyou!



Sunday, December 29, 2024

Prelude: Angela Buller

Welcome: Von Schrock, worship leader

Call to Worship

Leader: As we worship today, God we ask this of you

People: Wipe pride from our hearts,

That we might truly love one another.

Rinse conceit from our eyes

That we might see one another as you see Leader: We rest in your promises and wait for you

People: Calm and quiet, we trust in you.

Leader: Open our hearts

All: That we might let go of all that separates us from

you and one another.

Hymns: VT 240 Joy to the World

VT 239 He Came Down

- Aaron Miedel, song leader

Community Life Announcements – Please sign the welcome pads

Children's Time: Doug Kratzer

Advent Candle Lighting: Matt Falb & Wyatt Skarl

Congregational Prayer

Offering: Claire Buller

Hymn: VT 243 Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Scripture: Luke 2:41-52

Sermon: Growing Up Too Fast

- Pastor Seth

Hymn of Response: VT 259 To Us a Child of Hope Is Born

Sunday December 22, 2024

Worship: 159 Offering:

\$14,566.00 Spending Plan \$500.00 Compassion Fund

\$500.00 MYF

\$50.00 Fellowship Hall rental \$50.00 Search for the Christ Child \$1,728.00 Messiah Offering (12.15.24)

White Gift Offering: \$53,520.00 Homeward Bound: \$3,850.00 Manna for Many: \$5,000.00 MDS Hurricane Relief: \$3,600.00 HVAC/Roof Renovations: \$27,500.00 Relief Canning, Kidron: \$500.00 Undesignated/SP: \$13,070.00

THIS SUNDAY, 12.29.24

Greeters: 9AM Wanda Beattie & Linda Schrock: 10AM Dennis & Karen Ramseyer

Nursery: Jolene Jaquet & Carrie Skarl

NEXT SUNDAY, 1.5.25

Greeters: 9AM Doug & Donna Kratzer: 10AM John & Mary Lynn Miller

Nursery: Rosemary Kratzer & Gladene Hershberger

Happy Birthday!

30 Kaden Schrock

31 Linda Jaquet

1-1 Olivia Wenger

1-4 Pax Zuercher

1-5 Wendy Breneman

Happy Anniversary!

30 Scott & Jolene Jaquet

31 Dave & Sue Herman

31 Ryan & Hannah Steiner

1-2 Frank Li & Elise Murray

1-2 Jenna & Trevon Mast

Please Remember in Prayer:

- Mission Associates supported by Oak Grove
 - O Kate Widmer (MMN) France
 - o Matthew and Toni Krabill (MMN) Ghana, West Africa
 - o Austin and Griselda Zuercher (EMM) Honduras

ANNOUNCEMENTS

During the month of January you are invited to join together as a Sunday School class or individually to shower Pastor Seth and his family with appreciation and encouragement. This may be through notes, meals, prayer, offering childcare etc. Please contact Donna Kratzer (Fellowship Chair) with questions.

Green Schools Giving "Tree" In the past, Oak Grove has purchased requested items for specific children through the Green Local Schools around Christmas time. The school has changed their program, and are asking for gift cards instead to be distributed throughout the year. There is a poster hanging on the bulletin board in the lobby with a gift card tree. There are placeholders for different gift cards that are needed - gas, groceries or retail stores. Please take one or more placeholder cards and purchase a corresponding gift card between \$10-\$50. Return the gift cards to the envelope hanging next to the posterboard. We will collect gift cards through the end of December.

We are still looking for volunteers for greeters and the nursery during worship services. If you are interested in helping, please email the church office: office@oakgrovemc.org or leave a note in the letter box on the wall by the office.