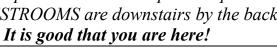
Announcements July 6th, 2025



WELCOME! Everyone is asked to please sign the red Welcome Pad!

Please check all appropriate columns and pass the pad along to others in the pew. The RESTROOMS are downstairs by the back entrance.





Altar Flowers: to the Honor & Glory to God

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Steve can be reached at 412-716-0940, or pastor@oakgrovelc.com. His regular office hours for non-crisis church business are Monday thru Thursday, from 9 AM to 1 PM. If coming to see him in the office, it is always best to call ahead as he may be in meetings or visits during this time. He is normally off on Fridays. He is available for private Confession and Absolution by appointment. He is available 24/7 for pastoral emergencies.

Pastor is always happy to visit with you at home just reach out and let him know if you'd like for him to visit! Please also be sure to notify him about those who are hospitalized, as well as any names that need updated on our shut-in visitation list.

Weekly Announcement Deadline - due to our new secretary working a slightly different schedule, going forward we are requesting that the congregation do their best to get announcements into the office by Wednesday each week, rather than Thursdays as has been the case. Thank you so much for your understanding.

Outdoor Worship - summer is here! It is once again our intention to try to worship outdoors on the First Sunday of every month, weather permitting. Please do bring your own folding chairs on those Sundays!

2025 midyear Giving Statements- are printed and available on the table in the rear of the sanctuary. Please pick yours up. Refer any question to: Ron Goehring (724)-506-0425

Compassionate Ministries Collection - Don't forget that the first Sunday of every month is collection Sunday for Unionville UMC's Compassionate Ministries Food Pantry. May items needed: Cereal, Beef Stew, Peanut Butter, Spam, Shelf Milk, Hamburger Helper, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Tooth Paste, Tooth Brushes, Liquid Soap.

Adult Forum will be continuing to meet into the early summer until we are finished with our Max Lucado book on Hebrews! We will be resuming our study on Sunday, July 6th with Lesson 10.

Good Neighbor Fund - this new giving fund was established in 2024 to address requests to Pastor for financial assistance both within our congregation and outside in the community. If anyone wishes to contribute to the fund, please note it on your offering envelope! An informational sheet is available in the narthex and on our website.

Google Reviews - please don't forget to leave Oak Grove a 5-star review on Google, if you haven't already done so! This is a proven method used by marketing experts to increase an organization's visibility on Google search results!

Oak Grove has a PayPal account to make it easier than ever for you to give to our church! Scan the QR code on your device to give directly to Oak Grove safely and securely via PayPal.

Hymn Voting- as we did last summer, we will accept votes from the congregation on hymns that they would like to hear over the summertime, possibly including some we haven't done in a while! Please see your pews for a card that you may drop into the offering plate.

New Secretary- Hi everyone! My name is Karla Geisler and I am your new church secretary. I live in Butler, PA. I have a wonderful husband who serves in the PA National Guard, an adorable 1 year old daughter, and a new addition due in December! I look forward to getting to meet you all someday soon!

<u>Caregiving Help-</u> As we announced in worship this past week, Pam Steeb is in need of some caregiving assistance for Gary. She could use help from a healthcare professional, but she could also use assistance from anyone who could possible just sit with Gary for parts of the day and assist him with everyday tasks. If you think you could help her out, you can reach out to her directly (contact info is in the church directory) or you can reach out to Pastor and he will connect you to Pam

<u>VBS Registration Code-</u> Unfortunately we had a technical problem with the QR code that we had previously published in the bulletin for VBS registration. The CORRECTED code is now shown in the bulletin. We apologize for the inconvenience! One bit of good news, all registrations that were received with the old QR code WERE received, so if you've already registered, you do not need to re-register. Thank you!

July Council Meeting- For the congregation's FYI, there will be no Council meeting in July. This is due to the summer travel plans of many and the fact that we were having trouble scheduling a date where we would be able to meet to hold a meeting with a quorum. We will plan to resume Council in August.

Let's do Brunch!- Join your fellow Oak Grove members for brunch as a congregation on Sun., Aug. 3rd at North Park Lounge in Cranberry immediately following worship. The all-you-can-eat buffet is \$19 per person. PLEASE RSVP with your name and # attending on the sign-up sheet in the back of the Sanctuary, by email to mrsfess@comcast.net, or via text to (412)-977-4277 (Jenny) by noon on Mon. July 28th for our reservation count. If you know of a great restaurant for brunch in our area for future outings, please let the Fellowship Committee know.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Vacation Bible School (VBS) 2025

JESUS IS
OUT OF
THIS WORLD!

Mon., July 28 to Thurs., July 31 9 AM- 12 Noon



ALL children age 3 (potty trained) to 4th grade are welcome. Children will experience an outer space theme and curriculum focused upon the miracles of Jesus. Youth (5th grade and up) are encouraged to volunteer assisting children in play, science, recreation, crafts, music and snacks and story time.

Adult volunteers are needed to help with sign-in & sign-out, learning center leadership; "shepherding" children from one location to the next; and all types of support children may need.

All volunteers must present current child abuse clearances in compliance with Oak Grove's child protection policy.

PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW TO REGISTER, BOTH FOR KIDS AND FOR VOLUNTEERS!



Orientation for all VBS Volunteers will be held on July 20th, 2025

<u>Confirmation</u>- Pastor Steve is assembling our next 2025-2027 Confirmation class. Confirmation is open to any youth 5th grade and older who have not yet been Confirmed! Please contact Pastor if you have any youth who may be interested and eligible.

<u>Fall Festival</u>- Mark your calendars! This year's Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, September 27th, 2025!

Good News Day Camp!

August 4-8 & 11-15, 2025 9:30am – 2:30pm

"The best 2 weeks of summer!"

Kids completed K-5th grade

Location: Prayer Mountain Ministries 114 Fisher Drive, Darlington, PA 16115

Pick a week and join us for Bible lessons, missionary stories, puppets, crafts, games, Bible memorization, singing, breakfast & lunch daily, plus "Friday Fun Day"!

Our theme this year is "Discovering Jesus" Children should wear shoes appropriate for playing outdoor games



This camp is FREE (Donations are gladly accepted)

Transportation is available from site locations around the county

Register early as bus transportation is limited to 50 students per week

All volunteers have completed their PA child clearances and CEF's child protection policy.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN!
Here is the link to register for Good News Day
Camp:
https://dsnp.co/6K6iCo

PRAYERS OF OUR CHURCH

Gary Steeb, Fred Schomburg, Pat Gasper, Scott Cooper, Angelika, Janet Pfaff, Millie Steinacker, Billie Joe & Her Family, Garrett Petty, Melissa Kaercher, Toni McConnell, Annette Zajac, Sister Mildred, Laken Hoover, Shawn Hilliard, Steve Fleming, Robin James, Ruth Ann Greiner, Hazel Withers, Jackie Rose, Tina & Brandon Martinez, Carmie & Ollie Dambach, Tracy Shaffer, Kelly Baker, Tom Brenckle, Ryan O'Kelly, Dale Majors, Bob Burr, Joy Tipping, Tom Applequist, Bill Goehring, Beth Chinn, Lorraine Koscinski, Bud Worst, Holden Eckman, Desiree Conrad, Dillan Matteran, Pastor Tony Schneck, Dave Greene, Devin Betz, Regis Kaelin, Wendy Kline, Leslie Rick, Gary McKee, Joel Leterneau, Sally Galina, Aurora Lodovico, Bonnie Mohrbacher, Dennis Frost, Jadye Crock, Pastor Susan, Mark Kaufold, Tom Carlson, Alyce Kramer

<u>For those who grieve:</u> family & friends of Jeannie Blinn

For those who serve in the armed forces:

Josh Morris, Nick Durfey, Kyle Ellis, Jordan Escamalla, Thomas Jordan, Chris Schomburg, Ethan Fritzley, Tom Supe, Eric Hunter



To start the prayer chain, please call Vivian Leonberg at (724)-774-5967.

CHURCH CALENDAR

This Week:

Sun. July 6th: Outdoor Worship @ 9AM

Sun. July 6th: Adult Forum after Worship with

Coffee Hour

Tues. July 8th: Worship & Music Committee @

1PM

Next Week:

Sun. July 13th: Worship @ 9AM

Sun. July 13th: Coffee Hour after Worship

Mon. July 14th: Christian Ed. Committee Meeting

@ 6:30 PM

Coming Soon:

Sun. July 20th: Worship @ 9AM

Sun. July 20th: VBS Orientation Session after

Worship

Sun. July 20th: Coffee Hour after Worship

Sun. July 27th: Worship @ 9AM

Those Serving This Sunday (July 6th)

Leader: Patty Scheck Reader: Patty Scheck Ushers: volunteer Altar: Tracey & Janice

Counters: Don Stoebe & Barb Stoebe

Audio/Video: Janice Hansen

Those Serving Next Sunday (July 13th)

Leader: Barb Minzenberg Reader: Lisa Saludis Acolyte: Volunteer Ushers: Volunteers Altar: Wetauna & Sharon

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Counters: Jenny Fessler & Cindy Sheridan

Audio/Video: Tauna Perenovich

Those Serving the Following Sunday (July 20th)

Leader: Charen Bennett Reader: Ruth Goehring Acolyte: Volunteer Ushers: Volunteers Altar: Carmie & Vivian

Counters: Carmie Dambach & Brandon James

Audio/Video: Julie Slepecki

Mowing Schedule

Week of July 6th: Ollie & Lonnie Week of July 13th: Janice & Ruth

Week of July 20th: Diane, Rodney, & Tauna

2025 Year-to-Date Operations Report

(As of May 31st, 2025)

Income: \$57, 592 Expenses: \$62,483

Expenses over Income: (\$4,891)