Announcements October 19th, 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.

It is good that you are here!



<u>Altar Flowers:</u> Are given by Brandon and Carol James in Honor of their 57th Anniversary

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.

<u>Pastor is always happy</u> 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.

<u>Weekly Announcement Deadline</u> – with bulletin/announcement printing typically being completed Thursday mornings, please aim to get all announcement requests to the secretary by Wednesday evenings. Thank you!

<u>Compassionate Ministries Collection</u> - 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.

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.



Flower Ordering! Want to celebrate a milestone or special occasion? Order Altar Flowers! We have quite a few empty slots in the flower ordering calendar this fall. Flowers often last 2 weeks, so we don't need every slot filled, just more of them! Forms are included at each flower order calendar. You can fill them out, place them in the offering or on the secretary desk along with payment. Orders get placed on Wednesdays for the coming Sunday. For questions, please email secretary@oakgrovelc.com.

Adult Forum is back in session for the year! We meet after worship in the Youth Room on Sundays. We will be studying in the Book of Ecclesiastes. All are welcome to join! You do not need to purchase the book or attend all sessions to participate. The study will begin on October 19th with a discussion on the first chapter. Copies of the book are available in the office for those who want one. Cost is \$11 per copy.

<u>Thank you</u> so much to everyone who came out and lent a hand with our Powell Road cleanup this past weekend! Thank you for helping to beautify our community!

<u>Thank you</u> so much to everyone who lent a hand (most especially our Fellowship Committee) in helping to put on our Pumpkin Carving event last Sunday! The kiddos had a ton of fun making jack-olanterns together!

Youth Group - As we did last year, Oak Grove will be partnering with our friends at Unionville United Methodist Church to provide youth group for our teens this coming Sunday School year! Unionville's youth group meets on Sunday evenings from 6:30-8 PM. A chaperone from Oak Grove will be present most weeks. All Oak Grovers are welcome to join!

Candy for Trunk or Treat - We are pleased to share that Oak Grove will once again have a booth at the New Sewickley Trunk or Treat at Green Valley Park this year, on Saturday, October 25th, from 4-6 PM! We are accepting donations of candy to be distributed! Last year we gave out nearly 1,000 pieces of candy! Candy can be left in the church office or in the Social Hall/Kitchen. Thank you!

Oak Grove Business Card Magnets - as we announced in worship last Sunday, Oak Grove has purchased a supply of business card magnets (with our new logo on them) as a promotional tool for our church! A box of them is in the back of the sanctuary. (We have more!) Feel free to take one or two for your own use at home!

Join Cub Scouts! Pack 444 is a Family Pack, meaning that both boys & girls in K-5th grade are encouraged to join. Scouting programs offer an opportunity to have fun in the outdoors, learn skills, and help instill values in our young people that will last a lifetime! You sign up with the QR code:

Meals for the Men's Homeless Shelter. The 2026 signup sheet for means is on the back table. Thank you to all who prepared food in 2025, your time and efforts were greatly appreciated.

WELCA is collecting items for Advent bags that will be given out to the golden agers and shut ins. There will be 22 bags to fill. The list to sign up for the 22 items is located on the table in the back of the sanctuary. Please bring your 22 items wrapped and place them in the bags that are located in the Fellowship Hall. For any questions, please contact Lynn Goehring.

Estimate of Giving- please find attached to your announcements and in the back of the Sanctuary an Estimate of Giving sheet for 2026. We will place these sheets in the offering plate this Sunday, 10/19, as we celebrate Stewardship Sunday this week.

New OGLC logo!

Merchandise with the new OGLC logo is available. Orders will be taken through Sunday, 10/26. Place order forms with payment in an envelope marked OG Merch. The envelope may be placed in



the offering plate or the evangelism committee mailbox in the secretary's office.

Community Garden Harvest Dinner will be held on Sunday October 19th in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner will be served at 5pm with doors opening at 4pm. Please bring a covered dish or dessert to share along with any cash you may want to use to support the Community Garden Basket Auction and 50/50 Raffle. Meat, Rolls, and Drinks will be provided. Please RSVP to Jenny Fessler (412-977-4277) by October 17th.

Social Ministry will be collecting for World

Hunger from October 12 thru November 2. The monies collected this year are being donated to God's Global Barnyard. Your gift to them will be used where needed most to support livestock, agriculture and other projects which help farmers and families with resources they need to survive. Place your donation in the offering plate and mark it World Hunger or give electronically.

The Living Lutheran magazine is back in print and will be printed 4 times a year. We can get a group rate at \$17.00 per year instead of \$19.95 individually. If any family is interested in receiving it please let Charen Bennett know by Oct 26.

<u>Too much leftover Halloween candy?</u> Donate it to the Fellowship Committee to be used to decorate Gingerbread Houses at their annual event coming up on December 7th, 2025.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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, Robin James, Ruth Ann Greiner, Hazel Withers, Jackie Rose, Tina & Brandon Martinez, Carmie 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, Regis Kaelin, Leslie Rick, Gary McKee, Joel Leterneau, Sally Galina, Aurora Lodovico, Bonnie Mohrbacher, Dennis Frost, Jadye Crock, Tom Carlson, Alyce Kramer, Bob Blank, Jon Ofslager, Jane Calabrese, Kathy Sprague, Edward Bateman, Virginia "Ginny" Hill, Joy Bennett, Shelli Lantz

For those who grieve:

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. Oct 19th: Sunday School @ 8:45AM Sun. Oct 19th: Worship @ 9AM (Stewardship Sunday)

Sun. Oct 19th: Coffee Hour & Adult Forum after worship

Sun. Oct 19th: Community Garden Harvest Dinner @ 4pm

Sun. Oct 19th: Youth Group @ Unionville 6:30-8PM Mon. Oct 20th: Council Meeting @ 6:30PM Sat. Oct 25th: Trunk or Treat @ Green Valley Park 5-

Next Week:

Sun. Oct 26th: Sunday School @ 8:45AM Sun. Oct 26th: Worship @ 9AM (Reformation Sunday)

Sun. Oct 26th: Coffee Hour & Adult Forum after worship

Sun. Oct 26th: Youth Group @ Unionville 6:30-8PM Wed. Oct 29th: Policy & Procedure Subcommittee Meeting @ 10AM

Coming Soon:

Sun. Nov 2nd: Sunday School @ 8:45AM Sun. Nov 2nd: Worship @ 9AM (All Saints' Day)

Sun. Nov 2nd: Coffee Hour & Adult Forum after worship

Sun. Nov 2nd: Youth Group @ Unionville 6:30-8PM

Sun. Nov 9th: Sunday School @ 8:45AM

Sun. Nov 9th: Worship @ 9AM

Sun. Nov 9th: Coffee Hour & Adult Forum after worship

Sun. Nov 9th: Youth Group @ Unionville 6:30-8PM

Those Serving This Sunday (Oct 19th)

Leader: Ruth Goehring Reader: Diane Grunnagle Acolyte: Lucas Schomberg

Ushers: Anna & Elliot Schomberg

Altar: Janice & Carmie

Counters: Don Stoebe & Barb Stoebe

Audio/Video: Julie Slepecki

Those Serving Next Sunday (Oct 26th)

Leader: Tauna Pernovich Reader: Tracey Collins Acolyte: Vivian Rinaman Ushers: Bill & Lisa Saludis Altar: Sharon & Charen

Counters: Jenny Fessler & Cindy Sheridan

Audio/Video: Mike Hessler

Those Serving the Following Sunday (Nov 2nd)

Leader: Barb Mizenberg Reader: Charen Bennett Acolyte: Savannah Kaufman

Ushers: Olivia & Cameron Kaufman

Altar: Vivian & Chrstine

Counters: Carmie Dambach & Brandon James

Audio/Video: Janice Hansen

Mowing Schedule

Week of Oct 19th: Bill & Don Week of Oct 26th: Off Season

2025 Year-to-Date Operations Report

(As of Sept. 24th, 2025)

Income: \$92,551 Expenses: \$95,823

Expenses over Income: (\$3,272)

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COME AND SEE!

nvite a friend, family member, neighbor, or co-worker to "Come and See!" the good

things being done at Oak Grove!

Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people,

hen the woman left her water far and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messlah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him. (John 4:28-30

Pastor is challenging all Oak Grovers for one year to invite one person each month to attend worship beginning Rally Day 2025 through Rally Day 2026!

Why not go above and beyond by inviting one person each week??

How do people start attending church?

"A Friend Invited Me" - 86% Organized Visitation - 6% Invited by the Pastor - 6% Advertising = 2%
(Source: www.churcharowth.org)

The above statistics show the power of a personal invitation to church! Invite someone to come to worship with you!