

Oak Grove Mennonite Church

Our Purpose—To glorify God by loving Him; by loving others; by becoming and making disciples of Jesus Christ.

Our Mission—To share the Love of Christ in our community and around the world.

Our Vision—As a body of believers at Oak Grove Mennonite Church we desire to **SHARE** the love of Christ in our community and around the world by:

Sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with our neighbors and friends.

Helping each other with mutual care and support.

Aiming to worship God in Spirit and in truth.

Responding to the needs of hurting persons in our community and around the world.

Equipping children, youth and adults for Christian discipleship.

“The Grove” Vision Statement

As an extension of Oak Grove Mennonite Church, “The Grove” seeks to deeply engage with the West Liberty community and foster opportunities to Share the Love of Christ with those we encounter. Our desire is to be present in the community. “The Grove” offers a space for true community to happen, encouraging and empowering people to connect with one another.

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NOVEMBER 18, 2018

9:30 a.m. Worship Service

Worship Leader: Ramon Lianez

Gathering Song(s)

Greeting Time

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 97

Offering/Offertory

[Please sign and pass the attendance sheets.]

Worship in Song

Dismissal for Children's Church

[Ages 3 thru 2nd grade]

Scripture: Luke 14:1-24

Message: “Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner”

Associate Pastor Alex Dye

Response Song

Sharing Time

Prayer

Closing Song

*Sharing the Love of Christ
in our community and around the world.*

THE WEEK AHEAD

<u>Today</u>	<u>This Week</u>
<p>9:30 a.m. Worship Service</p> <p>10:45 a.m. Sunday school</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Bible Bonanza, JYF at the church</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Group Mentoring for Youth and Adults at The Grove</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Week 4 of 5-week-study on sharing the Gospel in a simple way.</p>	<p>Tues., 7:00 p.m. Church Council meeting</p> <p>Wed. Nov. 21, 6:30 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service at Green Hills Foundation Hall sponsored by the West Liberty churches.</p> <p>Sat., 11:00 p.m. Memorial service for Barbara Hartzler with visitation one hour prior. Lunch following the service.</p>

UPCOMING EVENTS

<p>Nov. 24, 11:00 a.m. Sun. Nov. 25, Annual Harvest Offering</p> <p>Wed., Nov. 28 6:30 –7:30 p.m. Mentor Training at The Grove</p> <p>Nov. 29, 5-week Missional Bible Study on “Community : Living as the People of God” at The Grove</p> <p>Sun. Dec. 16 Children’s Christmas Musical</p> <p>Practice schedual - Sun., Dec. 2, 6-7 p.m., Sun., Dec. 9, 6-7 p.m., Wed., Dec. 12, 6-7 p.m., Sat., Dec. 15, dress rehearsal (time TBA)</p> <p>Wed., Dec. 19, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Missional Discipleship Group Facilitator Check-In/Training</p>

Last Week	This Week at The Grove
Church attendance - 156	Tues. 7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Fitness Class
Sunday school - 133	Tues., 9:00 a.m. Community Prayer
First Fruits - \$8,083.00	Wed., 4:00 p.m. Tai Chi
Primary Dept. - \$4.74	Legacy Builders Sunday school class is responsible for cleaning <i>The Grove</i> for the month of November.
Jr.-Intermediate Dept. - \$2.65	
Share & Care - \$60.00	
The Grove - \$10.00	
Growing Disciples - \$230.00	
MYF - \$5.00	
Harvest Offering - \$700.00	
MDS - \$100.00	
Memorial Funds - \$33,227.52	
Truthseekers - \$10.00	
WLC Food - \$3.00	
Election Day Dinner - \$1,000.00	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nursery Duty - Alan Kauffman Family
Next Week - Drew Reminder Family
Greeter - Vicki Park

Pastors’ Update

Next Sunday we will be celebrating Thanksgiving weekend with a message on being Thankful to God and our annual Harvest Offering. **Please take some time this week and reflect on what you are most thankful for and come prepared to share during the Testimony Time next Sunday.**

Annual Harvest Offering-Next Sunday

This year’s annual Harvest Offering is scheduled for next Sunday. . All the proceeds from the morning’s offering, unless otherwise specified, will be split in half: 1/2 will be given to Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) for Peace Building efforts around the world such as those described in the winter edition of *A Common Place*, and 1/2 will be given to Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) for clean-up and re-building work in North Carolina and Florida after hurricanes Florence and Michael.

Electronic giving will go to First Fruits unless paperwork is completed to change to Harvest Offering.

Your Stories Needed!

The Worship Committee needs your help! This Advent season we are going to be exploring God’s Power as revealed in the Nativity Story and the Psalms. Each week we would like to have personal stories of God moving in our lives shared from the congregation. So, we are asking for you to read the list of weekly themes below, and if you have an example of how you experienced that aspect of God’s power, please write down your story and submit it to Pastor Alex’s mailbox. Please consider sharing your stories! We believe God uses testimony to inspire and encourage, and we also believe that the most important place for testimony to come TO the church should be FROM the church! Thank you so much for your consideration!

Weekly Themes: Week 1: God Saves, Week 2: God Delivers, Week 3: God Restores, Week 4: God Protects, Christmas Eve: God is With Us!

Oak Grove Serving at West Liberty Cares Food Pantry in December

Oak Grove will be serving at the food pantry for the month of December. Please consider placing extra non-perishable food, toiletries and personal hygiene items in the cabinet in the narthex.