

*We are a joyful, inclusive, compassionate community of faith
seeking to do justice, act mercifully, and walk humbly with our God.
Loving God...Changing Lives*



OAK GROVE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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October 18, 2020 Pledge Commitment Sunday

10:45 AM

We Gather From Near and Far in God's Name

Thought to Ponder

Isaiah 43:19

"See I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?"

Prelude

"I Danced in the Morning"

Sydney Carter

Welcome and Announcements

Anne Fisher

Faith Talk

Judy Cooper

Centering Time and Lighting of the Christ Candle

Angelo Kearney

Call to Worship

Beth Angerhofer

One: Praise God, again I will say it, praise God.

All: God makes a path in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

One: Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

All: We worship God together.

Opening Song No. 749 "Come! Live in the Light!"

¹ Come! Live in the light!

**Shine with the joy and the love
of the Lord!**

**We are called
to be light for the kingdom,
to live in the freedom
of the city of God.**

³ Sing! Sing a new song!

**Sing of that great day when all
will be one!**

**God will reign,
and we'll walk with each other
as sisters and brothers
united in love. (*Refrain*)**

Refrain:

**We are called to act with justice;
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.**

Opening Prayer

Beth Angerhofer

God of the prophets throughout the ages. Help us to be your people beyond these walls. We give thanks for this church structure that was built for your glory. We look toward the day when we can gather here again. We know your presence is with us and that your work goes beyond these walls. In Christ we pray, Amen.

We Listen For God's Word to Us

Time with Children "Look for the Helpers" Mary Koon, Anne Fisher

Sending Song "Near or Far" *J McKinnon*

Near or far apart,
You're always in my heart.
God's love is here to stay,
Close and far away.

Resting in God's peace,
Praying for God's hope,
Serving God's joy,
United in God's love.

Special Music "I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" *Nolan Williams, Jr.*

Scripture Zechariah 2:1–5 Anne Fisher
"I will be a wall of fire all around Jerusalem, says the Lord, and I will be the glory within it." Zechariah 2:5

Message "Building Church Beyond Walls" Anne Fisher

We Respond to God Calling Us

Prayers of the People Mary Koon

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

Call to Offering Mary Koon

Offering Music "How Can I Keep From Singing" *Robert Lowry*

Prayer of Dedication of Our 2021 Pledges

Britta Augdahl

One: We dedicate the pledges we have received and those we have yet to receive.

All: Our pledges are signs that we want to continue our mission and ministry in this time and place.

One: May they be used to make sure all are welcome here; bring relief to the suffering; feed the hungry; clothe the poor; and give shelter to all who need it. Any may we continue to do justice, act mercifully and walk humbly with our God.

One: Let us pray:

All: Loving God, we are saying yes to following You. As we look forward to the coming year, open our eyes to what is possible in your sight. May we be part of the adventure that comes when serving you with our whole heart and being. In Christ who leads the way, we pray Amen.

We Go Forth in God's Name

Hymn No. 726

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

**¹ Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?**

**³ Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?**

**⁵ Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.**

Service of Release and Goodbye

Anne Fisher

Benediction

Anne Fisher

Sending Song

“I am the Church”

Avery and Marsh

Refrain:

**I am the church! You are the church!
We are the church together!
All who follow Jesus,
all around the world!
Yes, we're the church together!**

**²We're many kinds of people,
with many kinds of faces,
all colors and all ages, too
from all times and places. (Refrain)**

**¹The church is not a building;
the church is not a steeple;
the church is not a resting place;
the church is a people. (Refrain)**

Postlude

“Let All Things Now Living”

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***Join us if you can for Beth Angerhofer's “Drive by Goodbye”
12:00-1:00 pm in the church parking lot!***

Additional participants in worship today include:

Vocalist: **Jessi McKinnon**;

Accompanists: **Nancy Hauser** and **Judy Cooper**;

Sound, Light, Video: **Bob Gertes** and **Greg Johnson**.

Chancel flowers are given by **Greg & Linda Johnson**
in **memory of Jake & Dorothy Karlen and May & Pearl Johnson**,
and **the Greimels** in **memory of Skip Mooney**.

*We gratefully acknowledge the gift of a Yamaha grand piano to our
sanctuary from Kathy Howell and her deceased husband, Brad Norman.
The previous piano now resides in Gideon Pond Hall.*



The white rose on the baptismal font commemorates the completion of baptism for **Austin David Ritterspach**. Austin was born on March 27, 1938 and completed his baptism at his death on October 10, 2020.

“In Life and Death we belong to God.”

Oak Grove Announcements

Wednesday's WoW! for October 21

Each group will meet at 6:30 via Zoom:

Children of all ages: <https://bit.ly/3l0Blct>

Adults, Pastor Anne invites you to join at: <https://bit.ly/2Gh8wtx>. Use Meeting ID: 897 3898 8374 and Passcode: oakgrove. For audio only, call 1-312-626-6799 and use the ID and passcode.

Fall Clean-Up

Fall clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, 9 am to noon. Please join us (properly distanced and masked) for a few hours of camaraderie with people you have not seen in a while. Bring your rake and gloves. Coffee and donuts will be provided. A prize drawing will be held at 12:01 pm.

Family Halloween Party!

Families of young children are invited to join us in the church parking lot for a Halloween "**Trunk or Treat!**" on Saturday, October 31 at 10:30 am. We'll "trick or treat" out of car trunks, collect a noisy offering, and set up a race track for bikes, scooters and trikes.

Please bring an individually wrapped healthy snack to share out of your trunk, some change for noisy offering and your bikes/scooters to ride and play! Wear a costume and we'll celebrate together in a socially distanced way! Questions? Call, email, or text Mary!

Election of Officers

On Sunday, November 8, we will hold a virtual congregational meeting (via Zoom) at noon to elect officers and Nominating Committee at-large members for 2021. We will need to secure a quorum from the congregation to hold elections. Please join us via a computer or smart phone if you are able. If you are unable to join via computer, you can also call in for the webinar; however, voting will take place via a webinar poll.

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Oak Grove Announcements

Election of Officers *(continued from previous page)*

If you would like to provide a nomination beyond the selections that the Nominating Committee has provided, you are able to do so by contacting Anne Fisher (afisher@oakgrv.org) directly. Any additional nominees must be provided ahead of time and confirm they are willing to be nominated for them to be considered for a vote.

Join the Zoom Meeting at:

<https://code42.zoom.us/j/96927415415?pwd=S0ZWajJQMGYxdVljSjJpZkhLR1A2Zz09>

Use Meeting ID: 969 2741 5415 and Password: 604156. For audio only, call 1-312-626-6799 and use the ID and passcode.

Nominees for 2021

Elder: Becky Dop, Emma Wasko, Joey Oslund, Kathy Howell, Jessi McKinnon and Hannah Ervin (youth elder).

Deacon: John Crampton, Verona Stoesz, Lisa Sheff, Amanda Fineran and Nancy Scott.

Nominating Committee At-Large: Patty Nail, Judy Moynihan, Larry Klueh, Bev Heise, Sue Powers and Gar Nordin.

[CLICK HERE](#) to view nominee profiles.