

*“Names for God” Series:  
Shield, Fortress, Rock*



*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**

2200 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington Minn. 55431

952-888-4621 | [www.oakgrv.org](http://www.oakgrv.org)

**June 26, 2022**

**3rd Sunday after Pentecost**

**9:30 am**

## **A Thought to Ponder** (from the Social Justice Committee)

*“A church that has lost its voice for justice is a church that has lost its relevance in the world.”* – Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

### **We Gather in God’s Name**

**Prelude**

Piano Duets

**Welcome & Announcements**

**Lighting of the Christ Candle**

**Call to Worship**

Lisa Pomroy

Creating God, blessed are you and blessed is this time and place.  
Thank you for your people gathered here.

**We are here! Being the Church! We have not retreated! We are standing in praise!**

Reconciling Redeemer, you are the mender of our souls and the healer of our broken bodies. You lift us up, strengthen and sustain, nurture and nourish, heal and help.

**Holy Fire, ignite a new spark in the heart of each one gathered here.**

Light our way. Warm our bodies. Inspire our tongues to speak a new word, to shout another praise, and to sing an amazing song that will bring to us life and to you honor and glory!

**Let us worship God!**

**\*Opening Hymn**

“Bring Many Names”

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**\*Opening Prayer**

Lisa Pomroy

**Holy One, whom no image can encompass, no definition encircle, and yet who meets us in the gentle touch of love, the beauty of a butterfly’s wing, and the laughter of children, help us to move beyond our attempts to limit you, intellectualize you, or to eliminate you from all that is earthy or vibrant, so that we may greet you in every particle of this spectacular universe which you are creating. Amen.**

## **\*Passing the Peace**

Lisa Pomroy

Let us greet one another as new beings, reconciled to God and one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

## **We Listen for God's Word**

### **Time for the Young & Young at Heart**

**Sending Song**                      "Go, My Children, With My Blessing" (verse 1)                      547

**Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone. Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own. In my love's baptismal river, I have made you mine forever. Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.**

### **Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture**                      Psalm 46 (OT: p. 517 | LPOT: p. 636)  
Isaiah 44:1–8 (OT: p. 637 | LPOT: p. 823)

### **Message**

### **Presentation of Tithes & Offerings**

**Call to Offering**

**Anthem/Offertory**

Family of Freda Williams

### **\*Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. AMEN**

### **Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer** (*adapted by Parker Palmer*)

Heavenly Father, heavenly Mother, Holy and blessed is your true name. We pray for your reign of peace to come. We pray that your good will be done. Let heaven and earth become one. Give us this day the bread we need. Give it to those who have none. Let forgiveness flow like a river between us, from each one to each one. Lead us to holy innocence beyond the evil of our days — Come swiftly Mother, Father, come. For yours is the power and the glory and the mercy: Forever your name is All in One.

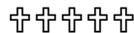
**We Go Forth in God's Name**

\*Closing Hymn                      "God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength" (vss 1–2,4)                      329

\*Benediction

Postlude

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*



*Participants in worship today include:*

Presiding Pastor: **Bart Roush**;

Liturgist: **Lisa Pomroy**;

Singers: **Family of Freda Williams**;

Organist: **Nancy Hauser** | Director of Music/Piano: **Judy Cooper**;

Sound, Light, Video: **Ruth Dukelow, Greg Johnson & Chris Diller**

Chancel flowers are given by **Enid & Dick Lang**,  
in *honor* of **our 60th wedding anniversary on June 30**, and  
**Jim, Beth, Barbara & Susan**,  
in *memory* of **Jean McCarl, wife and mother**.

Greeter: **Barb Johnson**

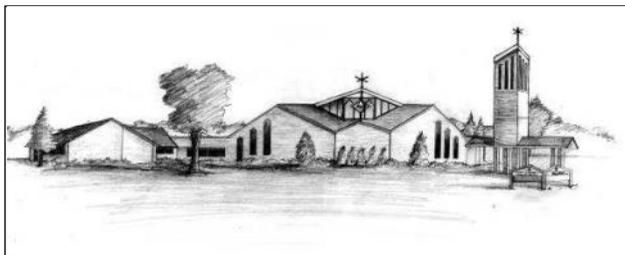
# Oak Grove Presbyterian Church

**Welcome, Oak Grove  
members and visitors, we're  
glad you're here!**

We are proud to be a Matthew 25, Green Care and More Light Congregation.

The congregation of Oak Grove values its roots that go back more than 150 years, even as we follow the movement of the Spirit into new ways of being and doing.

We always welcome your suggestions.



## **Prayer Requests**

Please contact the church office to let us know when you have new requests or updates for family and friends, or when a death occurs so we can support and care for you or your loved one.

[ogpc@oakgrv.org](mailto:ogpc@oakgrv.org)

952-888-4621

## **IVC Succession Planning Opportunity**

The [International Village Clinic](#) (IVC), in Marufpur, India, is dedicated to bringing health and medical services to the poor villages of India. The preventative program supports the ongoing wellness of its participants through vaccinations, nutrition, education and family planning. The IVC's proactive curative program encompasses efforts to cure disease and illness, and to treat medical conditions.

Dr. Abul Sharah, the founder and current leader of the IVC, is currently creating a succession plan to build a fund large enough so that the capital gains will fund the IVC, each year, in perpetuity. The fund amount goal is \$3.5 million, and more than \$2.4 million has been raised thus far. Oak Grove has been supporting the IVC for many years and five members of Oak Grove have visited the IVC compound in India.

If you want to donate to this fund, you may designate stock, set aside monies in your will, or send a check, made out to Oak Grove, with "IVC Succession" in the memo line. For a description of the succession plan, please visit: <https://bit.ly/3wFxBpJ>. Questions? Contact Greg Johnson at [glasm@frontiernet.net](mailto:glasm@frontiernet.net). Thanks for your support!

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Save the Dates!

Sunday, July 3: Y'all come and sing! Meet in the sanctuary at 8:45 am to rehearse a song to sing in the service, all are welcome!

Sunday, July 10: Recognition of Tim Dubis during worship service followed by a post-service celebration.

Sunday, July 17: Pastor Bart's installation during worship service.

### Church Hours

The church office will be closed Monday, July 4 for Independence Day.

### Pancake Breakfast for VEAP: Monday, July 4 (8–11:00 am)

Please bring a non-perishable food item or cash to donate. Tables will be separated – masks can be worn – let's enjoy being together. Hosted by Bob and Karen Gerdes (10741 Sheridan Ave).

### Men's Fellowship at Zeke's: Tuesday, July 5 (noon)

Join us for "Burgers 'n' Brew" the first Tuesday of the month at Zeke's Place (7700 W Old Shakopee Rd). This event pairs young(er) and old(er) men for a time of fellowship while enjoying lunch. Pick up someone who needs a ride and develop new friendships. Questions? Contact Gordon Beattie at 952-941-0742.

### Summer Suppers: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of June, July and August!

Summer Suppers is a wonderful opportunity for the Oak Grove community to be together in a relaxed way over the summer. We will gather on someone's porch, patio, lawn or garage for a potluck dinner at 6 pm.

July 13: Bev Bliss (host)  
9408 Nicollet Ave. S, Bloomington

July 27: Don Wagner (host)  
8341 Lyndale Ave S, Bloomington

Please plan to bring something to share (salad, main dish, dessert, etc.); whatever food shows up is our supper! If you are interested in hosting, please contact Kathy Tominiski (952-888-0697).

### Join us at a Twins Game!

We return to Target Field on Sunday, Aug. 21 (first pitch is at 1:10 pm) to cheer on the Twins vs. the Texas Rangers. We will be in section 302 (rows 3–6) and tickets are \$17. Sign up via the church website (<https://www.oakgrv.org/game/>). Questions? Contact Ron Dubis (612-868-9194).

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### Men's Prayer Breakfast

Join other Oak Grove men for a time of fellowship while enjoying breakfast. The group meets weekly on Thursday mornings (7:30 am) at Denny's (4209 American Blvd W, Bloomington 55437).

### Bible Study

Join Pastor Bart and/or Pastor Mary each week on Thursdays (noon–1:00 pm) via Zoom to look at the scripture that will be the basis for the sermon the following Sunday. No pre-reading is needed. We will read the scripture together and then dive in!

### Funerals & Special Events at Oak Grove

The Funeral/Memorial Committee needs some additional people willing to help serve refreshments/lunch. Please call the church office (952-888-4621) if you are interested. Thank you.

### Yellow Name Tags

On Sundays, visitors at Oak Grove wear yellow name tags. Please take the time to introduce yourself and welcome them.

### Call for Nominations!

The Nominating Committee is asking the congregation for suggestions of members you would like us to consider for the Class of 2025 Elders and Deacons, as well as a one-year youth elder. To suggest a name for consideration, please visit: [www.oakgrv.org/nominate/](http://www.oakgrv.org/nominate/).

Or tell us in person or via email! The 2022 Nominating Committee includes Karen Alonzi, Emma Wasko, Jim McCarl, Verona Stoesz, Darlene Thronson, Patty Nail, Mary Crampton, Rod Myers and Linda Johnson. Thank you!

### Palestinian olive oil is back in stock!

Oak Grove has sold olive oil for many years with the proceeds helping the Palestinian people in various ways: hospitals, schools, and replanting of olive trees which have been destroyed for building settlements on contested land.

Call the church office (952.888.4621) if you are interested in purchasing a large (750 ml @ \$23) or a small bottle (500 ml @ \$18).

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### Contact Information Changes

If you move... or change your phone number or email address, please let the church know so we can update our records. Send any/all changes to [ogpc@oakgrv.org](mailto:ogpc@oakgrv.org) or call 952-888-4621. Thanks for helping us keep everyone connected!

### Chancel Flower Sign-up

Every week beautiful flowers grace the Sanctuary. Contributing flowers is a way to glorify God and beautify the chancel area.

The contribution can be in honor of someone, in memory of someone who has died, in celebration of milestone events (birthdays or anniversaries) or as thanksgiving for friends and family. Your dedication will appear in the Sunday bulletin for your chosen date.

There are two arrangements available each Sunday at a cost of \$30 each. After Sunday service, you are welcome to bring your arrangement home or, if you prefer, the Deacons can bring it to someone on the prayer list. Contact Sharon Fields at [urbanfields2.1@q.com](mailto:urbanfields2.1@q.com) or 952-831-0504 (a landline) or to sign up and reserve your special date.

### Bloomington-Richfield Grief Support Coalition

Churches in the Bloomington-Richfield area are working together to provide free support and education for adults who are grieving the death of a loved one. You can start any series at any time. There is no commitment on attendance and no cost, just show up!

Group meetings are held on Thursdays, 4:30–6:00 pm at Transfiguration Lutheran Church (11000 France Ave S, Bloomington). Questions? Contact Marilyn Erickson at [mercikson@tlcmn.com](mailto:mercikson@tlcmn.com).

July 7: Will I Always Feel This Way?

July 14: The Greatest of These is Love: Cherishing What Remains

July 21: Habits of Resilience for Grieving

July 28: Strategies for Getting Unstuck

Aug 4: Understanding Grief

Aug. 11: Going Back to Familiar Faces

Aug. 18: Dealing with Being Grief-Struck

Aug. 25: Discernment: Exploring One's Losses & Grief

See <https://brgriefcoalition.com> for more details.