

*I am...*



*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

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**July 24, 2022**

**7th Sunday after Pentecost**

**9:30 am**

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

*“We are still killing black youth because we have not yet killed white supremacy.”* – Timothy B. Tyson, American Professor, Writer and Historian,  
“The Blood of Emmett Till”

## **We Gather in God’s Name**

### **Prelude**

### **Welcome & Announcements**

Bart Roush & Mary Koon

### **Lighting of the Christ Candle**

### **Call to Worship**

Russ Snyder

Our God is great, and holy, and just;

**We praise God’s name in the sanctuary.**

Our God is merciful, mighty, and brings peace;

**We proclaim God’s name in our world.**

Our God is loving, kind, and strong;

**We prepare for God’s work in our lives.**

We gather here in worship,

**For God has done so much for us,**

We praise God’s name! Alleluia!

**Let us worship God!**

### **\*Opening Hymn**

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

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### **\*Prayer of Confession**

Russ Snyder

**God of wisdom, we confess the foolishness of our ways, and our failure to follow you in your paths of right relationships – with you and with others. We have gone astray; we feel lost. We have upheld our own interests first, to the detriment of others. We have failed to be generous with the poor and abandoned our efforts to bring about justice. Have mercy on us according to your steadfast love and help us to live more faithfully as your people.**

**\*Assurance of Grace**

Russ Snyder

Merciful and loving God, we thank you for never losing hope for us. When we are lost, you are there on the look-out for us, bringing us back to you like the good shepherd that you are.

**May your love and joy flow into our lives each day and be faithfully reflected into the world around us. Thanks be to God, our Great Shepherd.**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

Russ Snyder

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.** (*Exchange the peace with those around you.*)

**We Listen for God's Word**

**Time for the Young & Young at Heart: The Sacrament of Baptism**

Gabriel James Chimchirian  
Luca Dominic Chimchirian

Children of Jason & Alicia Chimchirian

*(unison)* **With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you, Gabriel and Luca, into Christ's Church. We promise to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of the gospel with you, and to help you know and follow Christ.**

**Sending Song**

"Baptized in Water" (verse 3)

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**Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our Lord; Born of the Spirit, we are God's children; joyfully now God's praises we sing.**

**Scripture**

John 10:1–10 (NT: p. 103 | LPNT: p. 126)

Bart Roush

**Message**

Bart Roush

**\*Hymn of Response**

"Take, O Take Me as I Am"

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**“I Am” Moment**

Laura Orr

**Presentation of Tithes & Offerings**

**Call to Offering**

**Anthem/Offertory “I Am”**

*Hanson*

**\*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**

Mary Koon

**The Lord’s Prayer**

*(^ Creator or Mother)*

**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.**

**We Go Forth in God’s Name**

**\*Closing Hymn**

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again” (vss 1–3)

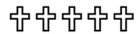
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**\*Benediction**

Bart Roush

**Postlude**

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



*Participants in worship today include:*

Presiding Pastors: **Bart Roush & Mary Koon;**

Liturgist: **Russ Snyder** | Speaker: **Laura Orr;**

Vocalists: **Sonya Butler, Becky Dop, Karen Gerdes, Nancy Hauser,  
Anne Klueh, Cece Klueh & Emma Wasko;**

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

Sound, Light, Video: **Greg Johnson, Pierce Flanagan & Ruth Dukelow;**

Chancel flowers are given by

**Bettie Egeberg**, in *honor* of *family*.

Greeters: **Milissa, Matthew & Allan Carter**

## 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.

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## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **What's Next for Oak Grove? Sunday, July 24**

Every church needs to be able to answer three questions. These are, "Who are we?" "Who is our neighbor?" and "What is God calling us to be and do?" Spending time in discernment to arrive at possible answers to these questions allows the church to respond faithfully to God's calling.

The "What's Next" process will be led by Pastor Bart with a group of 9 to 12 Oak Grove members and regular participants helping shape and lead the process. We anticipate this will take about six months.

Pastor Bart will lead a discussion following worship to provide some more information and context for what the process is and why church leadership feels it is necessary at this time. It is expected that these conversations will last between 60–90 minutes.

For those unable to attend in person, Pastor Bart will be presenting the same information on **Thursday, July 28 at noon via Zoom.**

Join the Zoom meeting:  
<https://bit.ly/3B3TDoB>

To join by audio, call 312-626-6799 and use the Meeting ID (812 7060 9390) and Passcode (616798).

### **Oak Rovers Boat Cruise: Monday, July 25**

For those who have already signed up, we will meet at Oak Grove at 9:45 am to carpool to Al & Alma's on Lake Minnetonka. Tickets and directions will be handed out at that time. Questions? Contact Darlene Thronson at 952-446-7088 or 612-719-8093.

### **Summer Suppers: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays through 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 6:00 pm.

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

Aug. 10: Kathy Howell (host)  
5601 American Blvd W

Aug. 24: Iris Karow  
6001 Timberglade Dr

Please plan to bring something to share (salad, main dish, dessert, etc.); whatever food shows up is our supper! Questions? Contact Kathy Tominski (952-888-0697).

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Antiracism Accountability Group: Thursday, July 28 (6:30–8:00 pm)**

All are welcome and invited to join our conversation. We are folks interested in gathering to hold ourselves accountable in the pursuit of antiracism. All are welcome; we're all seeking to grow from wherever it is we are starting.

Join the Zoom Meeting:  
<https://bit.ly/3JQoN4I>

### **Worship at Moir Park & Church Picnic: Sunday, Aug. 14**

Come worship at the Moir Park Pavilion (10320 Morgan Ave S,) at 10:30 am and then stay for the annual church picnic to enjoy the outdoors, lunch and fellowship!

You are welcome to bring a favorite picnic lunch for yourself or you may choose to purchase a bag lunch that will be catered from Sammy's Avenue Eatery. Bag lunches are \$12 each and include a 6-inch hoagie (turkey, tuna or veggie club), bag of chips, water and a sweet treat! Gluten-free bread options are available for \$1 more.

Call the church office (952-888-4621) to place your order. Payment, cash or check (made out to Oak Grove, memo: lunch), must be received by Tuesday, Aug. 9.

### **Join us for a Twins Game: Sunday, Aug. 21**

We return to Target Field to cheer on the Twins vs. the Texas Rangers (first pitch is at 1:10 pm). We will be in section 302 (rows 3–6) and tickets are \$17. Sign up via the church website by Sunday, Aug. 7 to reserve your seat. Questions? Contact Ron Dubis (612-868-9194).

### **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@g.com](mailto:urbanfields2.1@g.com) or 952-831-0504 (a landline) or to sign up and reserve your special date.

# OAK GROVE & COMMUNITY

## Deacon Health Ministry: Request for Home Medical Equipment

Do you have medical equipment that you are not using any more? If so, we would love to accept donations of gently used, fully functioning equipment that we can lend to others when they might need it.

If you would like to contribute, please contact Jim McCarl at 952-948-2991 or [jjmccarl33@gmail.com](mailto:jjmccarl33@gmail.com).

## City of Bloomington

Have you noticed how much it costs to pay for food and basic necessities? Prices are at levels not seen before, and this may leave people in vulnerable situations.

The City of Bloomington [Resource Catalog](#) contains information on non-profit, religious, and cultural organizations that may provide relief to people experiencing need.

There is a handy [list of useful phone numbers](#) for City services, such as, emergency and first responders, passports, noise, weeds or property issues. Adding this information to your cell phone contacts, may prove a time saving step.

## 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).

For more information, please visit <https://brgriefcoalition.com>.

July 28: Strategies for Getting Unstuck

Aug 4: Understanding Grief

Aug. 11: Going Back to Familiar Faces

Aug. 18: A Place for Joy in the Journey

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

