

# WORSHIP



*A remarkable thing happened that first Christmas, Jesus was born as Immanuel - which means "God with us." And at Orchard Hill Church, we believe God is still with us, bringing hope, love, joy, and yes, peace, in the midst of this broken world. Come learn about the blessing offered to all of having God with us.*

## TODAY'S WORSHIP...

Gathering Music  
Call to Worship  
Welcome & Greeting  
Praise & Worship  
Prayer  
Offering  
Media Ministry  
Worship Choir  
*Mary Did You Know*  
Scripture Readings: Rachel Gillette and Nate Huyck  
Message- God With Us: Joy - Pastor Bob Karel  
Bible Reading: Luke 2:1-12 (pg. 1590)  
Closing Response: Lil' Worshippers & Choir  
*Happy Birthday Jesus*  
Praise & Worship  
*Alleluia*  
*Joy to the World*  
  
Parting Blessing

*Thank you to our musicians, worship choir, Lil' Worshippers, and Kelly Honderd for leading us in God's praises this morning.*

**TODAY after the service is our extra special fellowship time! Join us out in the lobby as we share our favorite holiday dishes and enjoy the company of one another during this special Christmas season.**



## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE DECEMBER 24 - 5:30 - 6:45 PM

Invite your family and friends as we celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus through compelling music and spoken word.

The **Christmas Eve offering** will be used towards our Community Needs Fund enabling Orchard Hill to help those in our neighborhood and church family in a time of crisis.

**CHRISTMAS INVITE CARDS:** On the black high-top tables by the East and West entrances, you will find Christmas invite cards. Please prayerfully consider who God may be asking you to invite to one of our many advent/Christmas services, to hear the good news of Jesus Christ this Christmas season! Let's get inviting, Orchard Hill!

**ADVENT DEVOTIONALS:** This year we chose a devotional from Christianity Today. It's a four week devotional for you and your family as we walk and wait of the coming Lord. Pick yours up today at the Next Steps table. A donation to help with the cost is appreciated.

# SERVE



**BELL RINGERS:** Bell players are wanted for the December 30 service. It's easy and fun, so come to practice on Thursday, December 27 at 7:00 PM if you've ever wanted to learn!  
[kathyb@orchardhill.org](mailto:kathyb@orchardhill.org)

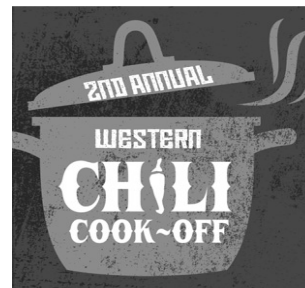
**ADULT MISSION TRIP:** Save the date! The adult mission trip will be happening March 3-9, 2019. Come to the initial information meeting on January 6, right after the service in the Mancave (room 210). The team is open to anyone 18 years old and up!  
[laurad@orchardhill.org](mailto:laurad@orchardhill.org)

**KIDS HOPE MENTORS NEEDED:** As our relationship with Central Elementary grows, teachers are more willing to bring forward students in need of mentors and prayer partners. We are in need of 5 new mentors and 5 new prayer partners! Would you prayerfully consider being a mentor or prayer partner, as you share God's love with a child? Sign up on the Connection Card.  
[sluke912@gmail.com](mailto:sluke912@gmail.com)

# CONNECT



**RE-ENGAGE:** Does your marriage need a little work, or do you just need to reconnect with your spouse? This class is for that, and everything in between! The first meeting is January 16 from 7:00 - 9:00 PM. This 16 week marriage enrichment class can benefit from marriages in trouble to empty nesters looking to reconnect.  
[kathyb@orchardhill.org](mailto:kathyb@orchardhill.org)



**CORN BREAD AND CHILI COOK OFF**  
Calling all cooks! The 2nd annual OHC corn bread and chili cook off will take place on Sunday, January 27, right after the service. We will meet in the Gathering Space for some fun, good food, and to pick this year's best corn bread and chili! Enter your corn bread or chili into the contest by signing up via Connection Card or in the Connection Corner!  
[kathyb@orchardhill.org](mailto:kathyb@orchardhill.org)



**EQUIP**  
Our Equip seminars are Saturday January 12! Coffee and bagels will be provided beginning at 9:00 AM. Three classes will be offered: The Enneagram (a personality map), Marital Communication, and Evolution and/or Creation. Sign up on the Connection Card.  
[kathyb@orchardhill.org](mailto:kathyb@orchardhill.org)

**Youth Group will resume on January 13 and 16 for our High School and Middle School students.**

**YOUTH  
MINISTRIES**

**Cannonsburg Tubing Trip-** On the evening of Thursday, December 27, both the middle school and high school youth groups will be heading to Cannonsburg to do some tubing down an ice mountain! We will leave OHC at 6:00 PM and return at 9:30 PM. A Cannonsburg waiver must be signed to participate. Cost is \$20. Please RSVP to Greg!  
[gregs@orchardhill.org](mailto:gregs@orchardhill.org)

# PRAY



- Danielle Ulanowicz graduated from Central Michigan University!
- Diane VanBennekomp passed away.
- Dan and Nikki Kahnoski (Bodwin): are expecting their first baby any day now.
- Lisa Sweiringa is having surgery on December 28 to reverse the Ostomy.

**If you want to receive the full prayer list, email [allyssap@orchardhill.org](mailto:allyssap@orchardhill.org) or take a sheet from the Connection Corner.**

## ETC...

*The office will be closed on Tuesday, December 25 and Wednesday, December 26 to celebrate Christmas with our families.*

## CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Christmas outreach! We helped about 25 local families with Christmas gifts, and around 100 general gifts were brought to Central Elementary for teachers to give students in need! About 50 people from this outreach came for a Christmas dinner and heard a Christmas message! Praise the Lord and thank you church!

**TITHING ENVELOPES:** Your 2019 tithing envelopes are located in your member boxes. If you do not have tithing envelopes but want some, sign the Connection Card.  
[allyssap@orchardhill.org](mailto:allyssap@orchardhill.org)

**"RAISE THE ROOF" END OF YEAR GIVING :** The roof over The Gathering Space area is beyond repair. A new roof is needed and will cost \$90,000. Please consider giving to this fund with your end of your donations as we strive to maintain an inviting and safe environment for our pre-school, special events, and many programs that utilize that area. More information at the Connection Corner.  
[bobk@orchardhill.org](mailto:bobk@orchardhill.org)

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OHC STOP BY THE CONNECTION CORNER.**

**NEW TO OHC? LET'S GET CONNECTED**  
December 23

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Email:**

**Phone:**

☐ 1st Time ☐ 2-5 Times ☐ 5 Plus

**How did you hear about Orchard Hill?**

☐ Friend/Family ☐ Website ☐ I live nearby ☐ Other

**How can we pray for you?**



# THIS WEEK

## December 23 - 29

- S 10:00 AM Worship Service - Sanctuary  
11:15 AM Fellowship Time - Narthex
- M 5:30 PM Christmas Eve Service - Sanctuary
- T Christmas Day - Office Closed
- W Day after Christmas - Office Closed
- T 7:00 PM Bell Choir Practice - Sanctuary
- F
- S



Sign up for Orchard Hill alerts by texting the following words to **313131**:

**orchard** Church events  
**orchard men** Men's interest  
**orchard women** Women's interest  
**orchard flock** The Flock  
**orchard high** High school  
**orchard kids** Children's ministries  
**orchard middle** Middle school



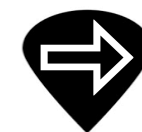
If you want a mailbox to receive church information, please email Allyssa at [allyssap@orchardhill.org](mailto:allyssap@orchardhill.org).



Grab a coffee and  
a cookie.



Stop by the  
Connection Corner  
to ask questions.



Looking to move  
forward in your faith?  
Visit the Next Steps  
Table.



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*Orchard Hill Church  
Fellowship Group*



Instagram:  
*ohcgr*



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For more information visit us online at [orchardhill.org](http://orchardhill.org).

### REGULAR TO OHC? STAY CONNECTED

December 23

Name:

Email:

I would like more information about:

☐ Tithing Envelopes

☐ Kid's Hope  
\_\_\_ MENTOR \_\_\_ PRAYER PARTNER

☐ Chili Cook-Off  
\_\_\_ CHILI \_\_\_ CORNBREAD

☐ EQUIP  
\_\_\_ ENNEAGRAM \_\_\_ MARRITAL COMMUNICATION \_\_\_ E. VS. C

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23  
10:00 AM