OUR PLATFORM DESIGN is to give us a hint and feel of the holiness of God, the items found in the tabernacle, and the practices of God's people as they drew near to God.

- The three colors on the backdrop are the colors God directed to be used in the tabernacle. Blue speaks of God's transcendence; purple, of his royalty; and red, of the blood that must be shed if a holy God is ever to live with a sinful human.
- The two angels on the backdrop represent the two angels that were sculpted out of gold and placed on the lid of the Ark of the Covenant. As they faced each other with their wings overshadowing the cover, it was there at the "mercy seat" that the presence of God on earth resided.
- The altar in the center of the platform was a place where the ancient Israelites brought offerings to atone for their sins. When a person entered through the court gate of that tabernacle, the first thing they would see was the brazen altar. It reminded them they were not worthy to approach holy God without first offering a blood sacrifice for their sins. As you come into worship may you be reminded that Jesus met that requirement for all of us. He was sacrificed once for all on the altar of the cross.
- The two Menorah's represent the "lamp of God" that was lit day and night in the most Holy Place of the tabernacle symbolizing God's holiness in our dark and sinful world. The seven branches resemble the tree of life and the number seven is God's number of completion.

As you consider this backdrop, be reminded that in the 8th chapter of Hebrews we are told these items were to "serve as a copy and shadow of the heavenly things." All that we see before us, and all we will talk about in the book of Leviticus, are a shadow, a pattern of what was to come in the Messiah. Thanks be to God!

A special thanks to Jack & Kristi Vandenbroek, Mike Miling, Rob Litigot, Pastor Bob, and Wendy Huizinga for conceiving of and creating such a meaningful backdrop for our "Draw Near" teaching series.

3 EXPRESSIONS OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY LIVE STREAM SERVICES

Connect to the live stream service on the "Orchard Hill Church" Facebook page (ohcgr). Find the current Sunday's "Church at Home" guide at orchardhill.org.

SMALL GROUP IN-HOME GATHERINGS

If you are looking to gather for worship in community but are still uncomfortable with joining us on-site, we encourage you to gather with a small group (10 or less, practicing safety protocols) to watch online together and talk through the questions in the "Church At Home Guide".

ON-SITE GATHERING

We are adhering to the social distancing protocol so our capacity is limited to 200 people. No need to sign up.

Masks are required for Moving & Music! Masks are required anytime you are moving inside the building and when we are engaged in singing together. You may keep your mask off during the talking portions of the service.

We are designating the seating section closest to the East Entry as a MASK ZONE. This is a zone where masks are worn at all times for those who are high-risk or feel uncomfortable being around others who are unmasked.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2020

Orchard Hill Church exists to see hundreds of families and individuals in the surrounding neighborhoods become committed followers of Jesus Christ.

REMINDER!

Our protocols for offering on-site worship include: social distancing and wearing masks for moving & music. We are trying to keep all people safe and we need everyone to honor this directive so we are able keep Orchard Hill open for worship.

DON'T FORGET! DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS NOVEMBER 1. BE SURE TO TURN YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR.

NEAR TO GOD: A STUDY OF LEVITICUS

God desires His people to draw near to Him. His aspiration is to know us and to be known by us. In an often, ignored part of the Bible, the book of Leviticus, God lays out a path for how we can enter His presence. This series will help us navigate through the difficult pages of Leviticus and discover how the work of Jesus on the cross enables us to *Draw Near* to God.

October 25: Leviticus 8-9 – The Mediator November 1: Leviticus 10 – God is Serious! November 8: Leviticus 11-15 – Holy to the Core November 15: Leviticus 16-17:11 – The Center Piece

Reading guides are available in the Connection Corner or by following this link: https://orchardhill.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Leviticus-Reading-Guide-2020.pdf

CARE

Prayers

- For all in the OHC community that serve in our local schools in this challenging time.
- For our partners at Casa David and Mission India as they reach out with the gospel to those suffering from COVID.
- For all who are dealing with the effects of cancer.
- For those who remain in Hospice care.

For the next two weeks, Pastor Kathy will be leading a short time of prayer immediately following the worship service for our country and the upcoming election. Please join us in the pews in front.

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL CARE NEEDS

If you have a prayer request or praise, or are in need of pastoral care, contact Pastor Kathy.

kathyb@orchardhill.org

COMPASSIONATE CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

Do not struggle alone. We are here to help! To set up an appointment, call 616.296.2130.

cccoffice@cccounseling.net

STAY CONNECTED

YOUTH GROUP

High School (9th-12th): Sunday, October 25. This afternoon we are headed to the corn maze! Don't forget your waiver and \$5! We are leaving church at 4:00 PM. Youth Group will end at 7:00 PM.

Middle School (6th-8th): Wednesday, October 21, 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

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HOPE JOY CIRCLE

Our first meeting will be November 3 at 1:30 PM in the East overflow. We will be studying lesson 6.

KIDS MINISTRY

We have opened our children's ministry for preschool - 5th grade. Currently, we are asking children to wear masks. Children should go directly to the Kids Wing before church begins. Weekly children's ministry videos can be found online at the Orchard Hill Church Fellowship Group Facebook page. *mirandah@orchardhill.org*

SERVE

BLOOD DRIVE

Blood supplies for local hospitals are low! Let's love our neighbors as ourselves by donating blood at our community drive and help to save up to three lives... maybe even someone you know! Sign up by using the QR code here, or visit:

https://donate.michigan.versiti.org/.../drive.../135076. The Blood Drive will be in the lobby Tuesday, November 10, 2:00 PM-6:00 PM.

ICCF BUILD

We are partnering with the Inner City Christian Federation to renovate a home on the NW side of GR that will be sold or rented at an affordable rate so a family in need has a safe home in the name of Jesus. THIS SATURDAY we will be installing flooring! Sign up to be part of the build at orchardhill.org/iccf-build/.

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CONNECTION CORNER

We are looking for people to serve in the Connection Corner, as they help get people connected and growing deeper at Orchard Hill. For more information, contact Pastor Kathy. **kathyb@orchadhill.org**

ONLINE GREETERS

We are looking for 1 more online greeter to welcome people, tag announcements, and have short conversations with those who are watching our services online. This position would be once a month. Must be on Facebook and have access to a computer or smart phone. Contact Wendy Huizinga to become a greeter.

wendyh@orchardhill.org

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LIVE TO TELL BOARD

As part of our month-long celebration of the Great Commission, we have launched our Live to Tell board in the lobby! Write the name of a person you are desiring to tell about the hope of Jesus and place it on the board. This allows us to pray for these people and helps keep us accountable to having these conversations we committed to last fall as part of the Git 'Er Done Campaign!

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS – PARTY POPPER SUNDAY

Our next Party Popper Sunday will be November 22nd. The membership class will be held on November 1st after the worship service. If you want to become a member of Orchard Hill by profession of faith or transfer or would like baptism for you or your child, contact Pastor Kathy. **kathyb@orchardhill.org.**

STAFF APPRECIATION MONTH

October is the month that we as a church family take time to show appreciation to our church staff. We will be receiving a special offering this month for our staff, and we are asking each of you to find a way to uplift and encourage them. Gifts can be given online at orchardhill.org by following the "Giving" tab and selecting "Staff Appreciation" in the dropdown menu, mailed to the church office, or in person with a note on your check or giving envelope. Thanks for blessing our staff!

GENEROSITY & GIVING

We all are the recipients of God's gracious goodness and love. Today, let's say, "Thank you, Lord" with our tithes and our offerings to His Kingdom work through Orchard Hill Church. So many of you have been faithful in your generosity and we want to thank you. Please go to orchardhill.org and click the "Giving" button at the top to sign-up for electronic giving (https://orchardhill.org/give/). If you are joining us Onsite, please use the Giving Boxes at the door.