

## BLUE CHRISTMAS

Blue Christmas is a gathering for those who have experienced loss. It will be a time of reflection, celebration, comfort, hope, and healing. Join us Sunday, December 6 at 4:00 PM. If you know of someone whom this service would be helpful, pick up an invite at the Connection Corner. The theme for this year is *Tear Soup*. Contact Pastor Kathy for more information.

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## 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](http://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 On-Site, please use the Giving Boxes at the door.

## THANK YOU

We want to thank our entire church family for blessing us in so many ways during "Staff Appreciation Month" in October. Your prayers have strengthened us. The many notes, cards, and goodies were an encouragement. The special offering was a generous act of affirmation! Without a doubt it is a joy to serve here at OHC and we each treasure being able to do ministry alongside each and every person here. We look forward to this next year and watching the amazing things God will do in and through our church! Thanks again for keeping us in your minds and hearts!

Peace and Joy,  
Your Orchard Hill Church Staff

## 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](http://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, NOVEMBER 8, 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.

## 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.

**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>

## CONTACT US



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

# CARE

## Sympathy

- *Phylis Felix* passed away October 31. Pray for her loved ones as they mourn her passing.
- *Stephanie Zerweiss'* father passed away this past week. Pray for the family during this difficult time.

## Congratulations

- To *Jacob Manyong and his family* as they celebrate the birth of their baby girl, born Wednesday! Mother and baby are doing great!

## Prayers

- For all who are dealing with the effects of cancer.
- For those who remain in Hospice care.

## PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL CARE NEEDS

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

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## COMPASSIONATE CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

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

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# STAY CONNECTED

## YOUTH GROUP

This week we are going to be discussing Ephesians 2 as we continue on our journey of discipleship!

**High School** (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): Sunday, November 8, 6:00-8:00 PM

**Middle School** (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>): Wednesday, November 11, 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

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## KIDS MINISTRY

We have opened our children's ministry for preschool - 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

We will be having a virtual Online Thanksgiving Eve Service on Wednesday, November 25. The service will go LIVE at 7:00 PM. Think about ways you can share or participate that night. Here are some ideas!

- Host a "Watch Party" on the Orchard Hill Facebook page.
- Gather in a home with family for dinner and worship.
- Get your small group together, serve pie and watch the service.

Ways to participate in the service are:

- Share a short video testimony of thanks.
- Send us a picture of something/someone you are thankful for to share in our opening Thanksgiving Eve service slide show. Send pictures to [territ@orchardhill.org](mailto:territ@orchardhill.org) by Monday, November 16.

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# 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 THIS Tuesday, November 10, 2:00 PM-6:00 PM.

## CHRISTMAS DECORATING

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on November 23, 24 & 25. If you are able to help, please email the church office. We would so appreciate any time you can offer during the day or in the evening that week!

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## 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. Sign up to be part of the build at [orchardhill.org/iccf-build/](http://orchardhill.org/iccf-build/).

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## THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Share God's love by providing meals for hungry families this Thanksgiving! Grab an Orchard Hill bag from the entry way and bring it back, filled with the items on the list inside of the bag. Fill a bag on your own or with friends! Place filled bags on the front stage on Sunday, November 22. Know a family that could use a food bag? Email Pastor Laura to sign up to receive a food bag to bring them in the name of Jesus! All other food bags will go to local families via the Matthew's House Food Pantry, the Orchard Hill Preschool, or other OHC mission partners. Bag pick up will be Sunday, November 22.

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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.

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## 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.

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## PARTY POPPER SUNDAY

Our next Party Popper Sunday will be November 22. We will celebrate new life in Jesus Christ as we witness baptisms and Professions of Faith and welcome new members by transfer of membership.

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## LIVE TO TELL BOARD

We have launched our Live to Tell board in the lobby as we seek to stay on mission! 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!