

GENEROSITY/FINANCES

As we navigate through this season of COVID-19, unfortunately we are continuing to see a drop off in general fund giving. We have been especially hit hard the last 2 weeks with no in-person worship. Through the first 22 weeks of this budget year we are \$10,665, or \$485/week, behind budget (-4%). The weeks prior to COVID-19 we had an average of 89 giving units contributing to our finances, while in the weeks following COVID-19 we have only averaged 65 giving units.

We want to encourage everyone to faithfully support the ministry and work of your church family. The ministry of Orchard Hill has not lessened any because of the Corona Virus. If anything, it has created more opportunities and need for ministry as we strive to serve those hit hardest by this pandemic.

Please, continue to give faithfully to Orchard Hill Church. The best way to ensure this happens on a regular basis is to visit the Orchard Hill website, follow the "giving" tab, and sign-up to give online. If you are joining us on-site, please use the Giving Boxes at the door.

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, DECEMBER 6, 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 on-site worship include social distancing and wearing masks for *moving & music*. We also ask that you do not congregate in the lobby before or after the service. We are trying to keep all people safe and need everyone to honor this directive so we are able keep Orchard Hill open for worship.

CARE

Prayers

- For all the front-line workers during the pandemic.
- For those dealing with COVID-19 and its after affects.
- For Casa David in Guatemala as they recover from the hurricanes.
- 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.

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

CONTACT US



Facebook

Orchard Hill Church
Orchard Hill Fellowship Group



Instagram

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**For more information visit us online at
www.orchardhill.org**

STAY CONNECTED

ADVENT SERMON SERIES: RECEIVE THE KING

2020 has been a very difficult year. We invite you to end this year, not in sadness, but in celebration of the hope of Christmas: Jesus, The King! Come experience the gift of God's Son, Jesus, and the peace, love, and joy He brings to our lives when we Receive Him as our King!

December 6: The King of Peace

December 13: The King of Joy

December 20: The King of Love

December 24: The King is Here! Christmas Eve Service

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Join us on Thursday, December 24 for two very special services at 4:00 PM & 6:00 PM. Join us as we celebrate the birth of Jesus through beautiful music, drama and God's amazing Word. It will be a great way to end a year of uncertainty as we fix our eyes on THE KING! Two services will allow for reduced capacity and social distancing. Please follow the safety protocols at this service as well.

KIDS MINISTRY CHRISTMAS VIDEO

We are making a kid's Christmas video this year, instead of doing the regular kid's Christmas program. This will be a video of the kids telling the Christmas story in their own words. Please contact Ms. Miranda for details!

mirandah@orchardhill.org

KIDS MINISTRY FACEBOOK

We have a Facebook group for families with kids ages newborn - 5th grade, called "Orchard Hill Kids Ministry." Find it at: facebook.com/groups/ohckidsmin. This group have resources for you to disciple your children and, in the near future, will have the live stream of the Sunday kid's service for families worshipping at home.

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YOUTH GROUP

Join us as we gather virtually to have some fun and discuss our week of devotions!

High School - Tonight @ 6:00 PM.

Middle School - Wednesday @ 6:30 PM.

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SERVE

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

WE NEED YOU! Orchard Hill is partnering with local families in need to provide Christmas presents for their children. Share God's love with these families in these ways:

1. Take a child's tag off the tree in the West entry (or email Pastor Laura to receive a tag digitally) and return their gifts by **Sunday, Dec. 13.**

2. Take a gift card tag off the tree in the West entry, purchase and return that gift card to the front office by **Sunday, Dec. 13.** These will go to the families, in lieu of our usual Christmas outreach dinner.

3. Volunteer to help load gifts for parents or give them their Christmas kits (designed to help families celebrate Jesus) and pray for them (Dec. 15 & 16). Email Pastor Laura to sign up!
laurad@orchardhill.org

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@orchardhill.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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BLUE CHRISTMAS:

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

Our in-person Blue Christmas Service has been moved online. If you are struggling this holiday season or missing a loved one, join us any time online for the Blue Christmas service, starting December 15. Go to www.orchardhill.org and click on the Blue Christmas tab. If you know of someone who might benefit from this, email Pastor Kathy their address so they can receive a small gift and invitation.

kathyb@orchardhill.org

CHRISTMAS INVITES

Grab some invitations from the entry ways. Use these as conversation starters to share the good news and invite others to celebrate Christmas with you at Orchard Hill!

SHUT-IN CHRISTMAS CARDS

In 2020, we have all experienced what it is like to be shut in and not able to see those we love. This is normal life for some of our elderly members. Each year we send out Christmas Cards to our shut-ins to help brighten their Christmas. This is a great ministry for families to do together. Address labels can be picked up in the Connection Corner. Bring back your written Christmas cards by December 13th. They will be sorted, packaged and mailed to each of our shut-ins.

LIVE TO TELL BOARD

Visit the Live to Tell board in the lobby as we stay on mission! Write the name of a person you want to tell about the hope of Jesus and pin it on the board. Pray for these names and our church as we have the spiritual conversations we committed to with the Git 'Er Done Campaign!