

EASTER FLOWER SALE 2021

Orchard Hill Christian Preschool and Child Care Center is back on track for our Easter Flower Sale. All plants are in 6-inch pots and come wrapped in a decorative foil cover. All plants are being sold for \$10/each as a fundraiser for the Preschool and Child Care Center. **Orders must be received by Wednesday, March 24th and can be picked up after the Easter Service on April 4th.** Payment is due at the time of your order through the church office either in cash or a check made out to OHCPC.

Follow the link below to place your order (you may also call the church office for assistance if you are not able to order online). Don't forget to fill in the "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" as we will have a special insert in the Easter bulletin.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSey5kamoVs2WxZh5f3ligYMt7V69VL3KmHYSIFz6OUS8s8Cng/viewform?usp=sf_link

GENEROSITY

One author said, "Gratitude may move us to give, but giving may also lead us to a deeper sense of gratitude." Today, let's grow in our thankfulness to our God by giving to Him with generous hearts in response to all he has done for us.

To give your offering, please visit the Orchard Hill website, follow the "giving" tab, and sign up to give online. If you are joining us in-person, you may use the envelopes on the sanctuary doors or in the pews and place them inside the giving boxes or scan the QR code.



WOMEN AT RISK INTERNATIONAL OPEN HOUSE

All women are invited to join the Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study for a volunteer and shopping open house at Women At Risk International (2790 44th St SW, Wyoming) from 4:00 PM-8:00 PM on Thursday, March 25. At 4:00 PM there will be a volunteer activity in the Volunteer Center. To social distance, those that want to spread out and shop first can wait until 6:00 PM for a repeat of the volunteer activity. A short video presentation will repeat in another room. And of course, there will be snacks and beverages available. Please RSVP by texting Faye at 616.644.7742 with your name and "Yes, plan on attending".

Orchard Hill Church Family,

At this time, we are watching the decline in numbers of those being infected and are encouraged at the increase in numbers of those being vaccinated in our area. As we desire to continue to engage in deeper worship, community, and service, we are considering what our "next step" at Orchard Hill may be. As we discern this step, we continue to pray for wise and Godly decisions, with the goal of being thoughtful and attentive to the health needs of everyone, while managing the desire to be together, in person, as a community of faith. This is a tension we continue to strive to faithfully balance. We know that we have not, and will not, please everyone with our decisions, but you can trust that decisions are being prayerfully made with the best interests for our church family and community at heart.

As we consider the possibility of making changes to our current worship protocols, we are seeking input from the entire church family. Will you please take a moment to fill out a brief survey by Sunday, March 28? The survey is linked below. If necessary, hard copies can be received by contacting the church office. Please submit only one survey per voting member.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3KFPDZC>

Serving you on behalf of the Governing Board,

Pastor Bob Karel

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SUNDAY, MARCH 21, 2021

REMINDER!

Our protocols for on-site worship include social distancing and wearing masks for moving & music. "Moving" covers conversations with others in the lobby or sanctuary. At those times, please wear masks and strive to keep social distance in your circles. We desire to keep all safe and ask everyone to honor these protocols so we may stay 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 all who are dealing with the effects of cancer.
- For those who remain in Hospice care.

IN NEED OF PRAYER?

If you are in need prayer, we would love to pray for you! After the service, come forward and our prayer team will pray for you.

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

STAY CONNECTED

WORSHIP – IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

Follow Me: A Study on the Life of Peter

This series we will look at key events in the life of Peter as he followed Jesus. Our journey with Peter will help us understand the word “disciple”, a word we don’t often use in our modern age, and what Jesus means when He says, “Follow Me!”. Our scripture reading comes from Acts 2 and is found on page 1693 in the pew bibles.

YOUTH GROUP

This week we will be discussing 3 truths about humanity that all center around what it means to be made in the image of God.
High School (9th-12th): Sunday, March 21, 6:00 PM-8:00 PM
Middle School (6th-8th): Wednesday, March 24, 6:30 PM-8:00 PM
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HOLY WEEK

During Holy Week (March 28th- April 4th), the staff will be hosting a short teaching on Facebook each night at 7:00 PM. Plan for you and your family to join us Monday-Thursday to hear what Jesus did each day during the week of his crucifixion. On Good Friday we will gather for an in-person service at 7:00 PM. Come and remember as we make our way to Easter morning.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Join us for a very special service of remembrance on Friday, April 2 at 7:00 PM. Hear the message of Christ's final passion through the testimonies of Peter, Thomas, John, Judas, Barnabas and the Roman Soldier. You won't want to miss this time of drama and music as you prepare for Easter.

SERVE

PALM SUNDAY PROCESSIONAL

All kids ages pre-school through 5th grade are invited to participate in our annual Palm Processional next Sunday morning, March 28! Please plan on meeting in the resource room before the service at 9:45 AM. We hope to have a great turnout as we kick-off Holy Week in this special way!

NEIGHBORHOOD EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZAS

This year, Orchard Hill wants to celebrate the good news of Easter with our neighbors in a new way! We are asking OHC families to invite their neighbors to small egg hunts that they will host in their yards on Saturday, April 3. Each host will receive a set of resurrection eggs to hide amongst the candy-filled eggs. At the end of the hunt, they will have the children fish out the resurrection eggs and, together, share the hope of Easter by going through them as a group! Hosts will receive invite cards, candy eggs, resurrection eggs, and training on how to host.

We are asking all of OHC to get involved in the following ways:

1. Donate candy (place in bin by west entry this week!).
2. Take home a bag of eggs, fill with candy, and bring back by Wednesday. Meet Pastor Laura by the bin at the West entry to pick up some eggs **after the service this Sunday!**
3. Serve as a host home!
4. Volunteer as helpers to host homes!
5. Pray our neighbors will hear and respond to the good news!

THIS SUNDAY is the last day to sign up with Pastor Laura to host or to volunteer to help a host family!

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NURSERY NANNY NEEDED

We are looking for a new nursery nanny for our little ones to run and care for the nursery and oversee the volunteers. This is a paid position. If you would like more information or would be interested in this position, please contact Pastor Kathy.

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SPECIAL EASTER OFFERING

Each year, Orchard Hill celebrates Easter with a special second offering (an “above and beyond” offering). This year's offering supports Casa David, our mission partners in Guatemala! Casa David is about to open a home in Antigua for those needing shelter while their loved ones are hospitalized. Here, staff care for guest's physical needs and share the gospel! Learn more at: <https://www.casadavidhn.com/>. To give, use the special Easter offering envelopes in the pockets of the black giving boxes on the sanctuary doors, or give online at orchardhill.org by following the “Giving” tab and selecting “Easter Offering.”

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GRADUATE SUNDAY

Do you have a senior that is graduating high school or college this year? If so, make sure you let Greg Salmon know by May 2! A special service will be planned for Sunday, June 6 to celebrate the graduating class of 2021. Save the date!

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DISCOVER HOW TO LIVE A LIFE OF DISCIPLE MAKING

Saturday, March 27 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM is the new date for the discipleship training workshop at Orchard Hill. The call of Jesus on the life of every believer is to “go and make disciples.” If we are honest, however, many of us struggle in living out this task. We seem to not really know what to do or how to do it, so we simply don't! Our D-Life Basic Training will equip you in how to live a lifestyle of making and multiplying disciples. Filled with practical training, this morning will enable you to confidently become a “fisher of men.” Don't miss this opportunity to be equipped to live into your calling! Sign up on the table in the lobby.

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ARTS CAMP ON THE HILL

Mark your calendars for June 21-26 for Arts Camp on the Hill 2021! Registration opens on April 1st. Even though camp will be online this summer, every child that registers will receive a special packet full of supplies for doing camp on their own or in a group setting. We are encouraging our OHC families to consider hosting a back yard Arts Camp viewing party the week of camp. Our OHC Preschool and Child Care Center will be participating here at the church that week and we are working on a plan to get the good news of Arts Camp to our mission partners! We will have an Arts Camp family kick-off for our OHC families following the service on Sunday, June 13. More details to follow!

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