## ORCHARDHILL CHURCH

October, 2022

# Ministry Highlights

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#### GROUP UP!

There's still a bit of time left to connect to a group launching this fall at Orchard Hill! Don't miss this incredible opportunity to get to know others from your church family as you grow in your faith. Visit <a href="www.orchardhill.org/groups/">www.orchardhill.org/groups/</a> or the groups feature on our Church Center app to sign up or learn more.

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#### TRUNK OR TREAT

Get to know our neighbors as you dress up and host a table to pass out candy (or volunteer in another capacity) at our annual Trunk or Treat event! On Monday, October 31, from 5:30 PM-7:30 PM, we will host those from our community and ministry partners for a night of safe, indoor, trick or treating through our building! This is a great way for people to step into the church and see God's people loving on them who would not normally have this kind of interaction. Sign up to volunteer on the Sign Up Post or the Connection Card by Sunday, October 23.

We also need lots of candy to pass out for our guests! Donate sealed bags of candy in the marked bin by the West Entrance. Thank you! laurad@orchardhill.org

#### **WORSHIP CHOIR**

Worship Choir is singing Sunday, October 16 with rehearsal on Wednesday, October 12 at 7:00 PM. Choir is open to middle school age through adults of all skill levels. All are welcome to come. No signup required.

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#### STAFF APPRECIATION MONTH

A message from the Orchard Hill Governing Board:

October is pastor appreciation month and Orchard Hill likes to take this month to recognize not only our pastors, but all of our staff who work tirelessly to lead us. It is certainly important to encourage and express our gratitude throughout the year, but we ask that you join us in being intentional this month to show your appreciation through cards, gifts, acts of service, or in any other way God leads you. If you'd like to make a financial gift make sure to note it as "staff appreciation." Thank you in advance for helping us bless the staff who care deeply for us.

#### GIT 'ER DONE CAMPAIGN

This November marks the end of our 3 year Git-R-Done Campaign. A major piece of that campaign was the goal of eliminating our building debt. Our balance at this date is \$75,979. Prayerfully consider how you might be able to make an extra gift to help us reach our goal.

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#### ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY

We use the Church Center App for our Online Church Directory. Your information (any contact info you choose to share) will be available for others to see (others, being those who have also accepted joined). Church Center is based on each individual, not each family, so encourage everyone in your family to access it!

Download the app today! If you need help, stop in the office and we can help you out or pick up instructions located in the Connection Corner.

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#### **GRATITUDE**

Thank you for all of the cards, phone calls, prayers and words of encouragement while I was dealing with my bleeding issue. I'm doing well and look forward to getting back to doing the things I love!

- Larry Feldt

#### UNDERSTANDING DEMENTIA

Join us for this equipping event on the topic of Dementia and how to walk along side someone going through it, on October 25, 6:30 PM at OHC. The event is sponsored by Stephen Ministry and is open to all interested persons. Megan Feyer, from Clark Retirement Community, will be joining us to fill us in on the early, middle, and late stages of this very present disease. She will also have some meaningful activities to provide structure and support to those dealing with dementia. Mark your calendars!

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#### WOMEN OF THE HILL

Our first meeting of the season will be Tuesday, October 11 at 7:00 PM. This a great place to get connected and meet other women (18+) in a welcoming environment. Join us for a time of fellowship around delicious refreshments, followed by the Word of God. Our night will also consist of a Make and Take craft. Mark your calendars!

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### ORCHARD HILL CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL & CHILD CARE NEWS

September 12 was our first day of school! The children and staff are getting acquainted with the routine and each other. The first week is usually filled with lots of hugs, wiping of tears, and teaching the school routine. The weather has been beautiful and a blessing to enjoy time on the playground. The teachers have worked so hard in preparation for the year and it's so great seeing the children enjoy the safe and comfortable space provided for them. We ask for prayer that our staff, children, and families are filled with the fruit of the Spirit each day!





