

CARE

PRAYERS FOR OUR OHC FAMILY

- **Lisa Swieringa's mom, Shari Jewell**, passed away September 22. Please keep Lisa and her family in your prayers during this difficult time.
- **Doris VanHouten** has been diagnosed with a form of cancer and will have surgery on Tuesday, October 3. Please pray for a successful surgery.

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PASTORAL CARE NEEDS

If you would like prayer, or are in need of pastoral care, contact the church office.
pastoralcare@orchardhill.org

Have an after-hours emergency? Contact the Pastoral Care Team at the 24-hour emergency number.
Pastoral Care Emergency Number: 616.649.2840

COMPASSIONATE CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

Do not struggle alone. We are here to help!
cccoffice@cccounseling.net or **616.296.2130**

NEED PRAYER?

We would love to pray for you! Please come forward after the Service if you are in need of prayer.

GRATITUDE

Thank you OHC for all of the support and prayers that have been lifted up for us, especially these past few days. Emmerson Rose was born a very healthy 5lb 2oz on Friday (September 22) and is thriving!
- Cara & Justin Hendges and family

Dear OHC family,
We wanted to take a moment to express our gratitude for all the love, cards, prayers, and condolences regarding Jean's passing. We appreciate all the wonderful cards, memories, and donations in her name.
- With love, Elsie Weller and family

Miranda Huyck and the leaders and children of OHC, On behalf of those in the hospital and our shut-ins, a big thank you for the wonderful pictures and notes from you. I am still passing them out and everyone loves them. One person even exclaimed "I love this. It's going right on my refrigerator!" and that's were it went. You made my folks feel loved and brought smiles to their faces. Thank you everyone.
- Bev Buikema

NOTES:

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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday– Thursday, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM. Closed on Friday.

NURSING/QUIET ROOM

There is a nursing and quiet room available for families of infants that need a quiet place to feed or for their little one to nap.
It is located inside the nursery to the right.

Orchard Hill Church exists to see people in our surrounding neighborhoods and around the world become committed followers of Jesus Christ.



**ORCHARD HILL
CHURCH**

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Sunday, October 1, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ORCHARD HILL!

TODAY'S SERVICE - IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

This morning we begin a short series called, *Real Mature – How to Grow in Following Jesus*. Pastor Bob brings us the message taken from Matthew 16:13-20. Our scripture can be found on page 1524 in the pew Bible.

WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY

Today is World Wide Communion Sunday and together we will celebrate the sacrament of communion with believers all around the world. If you believe in Jesus as your Lord and Savior, you are invited to come forward and gather around the Lord's Table.

GENEROSITY

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to nurture and develop our gifts and to give back with increase.

Let's give back generously to God by placing our tithes and offerings for Him at the boxes on the doors to the sanctuary or online through Mogiv.



OHC GIVING:

- Weekly Need: \$14,000
- Last week's offering: \$20,352 (+\$6,352)
- YTD Budget: \$1,660,000
- YTD Received: \$1,808,868 (+\$14,868 / +9%)

SALVATION CANDLE

We light the Salvation Candle when someone has placed their faith in Christ! Have you shared the Good News with someone who received it? Let the staff know so we can light the candle and celebrate what God has done!

CONNECT

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

- Tonight: High School Youth Group at 6:00 PM– 8:00 PM
- Wednesday: Middle School Youth Group at 6:30 PM– 8:00 PM

GROUPS

Pick up our Group Up brochure in the Connection Corner to learn more about the groups that meet throughout the week, and to get connected!

laurad@orchardhill.org

WHO'S YOUR ONE

Join this equip group for our first meeting TODAY, as you find accountability and encouragement to reach out to one person in your life who needs to know Jesus. Grower's Room (kids' wing) at 11:30 AM.

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IMMERSE: BEGINNINGS- *The Bible Reading Experience*

Our first weekly gathering will be today, following the service, in the East Overflow. Books are available for \$10.00.

movingyesterday@gmail.com

30-DAY COUPLE'S PRAYER CHALLENGE

If you are a married couple, we hope you will take the challenge to pray for 30 days straight this month. Following today's service, we will do a quick gathering in the West Overflow (room connected to the sanctuary) to give an overview and hand out the materials for the challenge. If you have to leave right after worship, you can grab a packet from the Connect Station in the lobby. Please sign up so we can encourage you throughout the month as we take this challenge together!

wendyh@orchardhill.org

WORSHIP CHOIR

The Worship Choir will meet Wednesday, October 11, at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary to sing on Sunday, October 15. Email Wendy for the set list and rehearsal tracks. New members welcome!

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PARTY POPPER SUNDAY

We have scheduled Party Popper for Sunday, October 22. If you would like to request baptism for your child or yourself, please fill out a connection card and drop it in the box on the sanctuary door.

HILLTOPPERS FALL KICK-OFF

Join us Tuesday, October 17, at 10:30 AM, for good fellowship and worship! This month we will hear from speaker and Bible teacher Nancy Zichterman, about how God guides us through seasons of change. We'll end our time with a fun activity and some good refreshments! All 65+ are welcome to join us!

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OUTREACH

DRIVERS FOR HAND 2 HAND

We are partnering with Hand 2 Hand Ministries to bring prepackaged weekend meals to Central Elementary (our Kids Hope school) for kids who may otherwise go without food. We are looking for volunteers to drop off meals at the school on Thursday afternoons. If you'd be willing to serve in a rotation, sign up on the Sign up Post or the connection card.

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KIDS' HOPE

School is in session and we get to bring God's love there! We need FOUR new Kids Hope mentors and prayer partners! Mentors commit to meeting with one student for one hour each week and prayer partners pray regularly. If you're interested in serving in this way sign up on the Sign Up Post.

stacys@orchardhill.org

6 PRAYER PARTNERS NEEDED

We have several teachers at the Orchard Hill Christian Preschool & Childcare Center who would be blessed to have a prayer partner encourage and support them as they minister to children. Sign up on the Sign Up Post today.

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TRUNK OR TREAT

Let's be a light in the darkness at this year's Trunk or Treat at Orchard Hill on Tuesday, October 31, 5:30 PM- 7:30 PM. Serve behind the scenes or volunteer as a table host, as you dress up and pass out candy, interacting with our neighbors and sharing God's love. Sign up on the Sign Up Post. We need lots of candy! Donate in the marked bin by the West entry.

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THIRD GRADER BIBLES

It is tradition at OHC that all 3rd graders receive a bible from the church. Next Sunday, October 8 during the service, the 3rd graders will receive their Bible in front of the congregation, receive a blessing, and be challenged by Pastor Bob to complete their 3rd Grade Bible Challenge in order to earn a trip to get ice cream with Pastor Bob and Miss Miranda!

mirandah@orchardhill.org

SECURITY

In an effort to keep our church family safe, we lock the church entrance doors at 10:20 AM. *Please do not block them open.* Any security questions or complaints, lost keys or keycards, direct to Larry Feldt (Head of Security).

larryfeldt1@gmail.com

ORCHARD HILL PRESCHOOL NEEDS STAFF!

OHCPC needs a part-time Nutritionist to work in the kitchen planning, shopping, and preparing meals for the children. It would be a few hours a day, Monday- Friday. For a more detailed job descriptions, contact Director Jennifer Gray.

jenniferg@orchardhill.org

STAFF APPRECIATION MONTH

October is Staff Appreciation month. While we work to encourage and express our gratitude throughout the year for our staff who work tirelessly to lead us, we are asking you to be intentional this month to show your appreciation. We encourage you to say "thanks" through cards, gifts, acts of service, or in any way God leads you. If you would like to make a financial contribution, you may use the box in the Connection Corner or give online using the "Staff Appreciation" tab under "Giving". Thanks in advance for blessing our staff!

SERVE

FUNERAL HOSTS NEEDED

Our team of funeral hosts are looking for a few more members to join and help out when there is a funeral reception at Orchard Hill. For more information and any questions you might have, contact our lead host, Linda Vugteveen.

vugteveen.linda@gmail.com

Have a
BLESSED WEEK
