

## CARE

### PRAYERS FOR OUR OHC FAMILY

**Jacob Manyong's mom** passed away last week. Please pray for Jacob and his family during this difficult time.

### 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](mailto: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**

### GRATITUDE

Orchard Hill Family,

We want to thank you for the love shown to us at the passing of my dad, Dick Ter Maat. His Celebration of Life service here at OHC was so beautiful and so meaningful to us. We thank all those involved in making it possible.

*In gratitude, Kris & Dave DeVries and family*

### COMPASSIONATE CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

Do not struggle alone. We are here to help!

**[cccoffice@cccounseling.net](mailto: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.

### 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!

## NOTES:

## CONTACT US



**Facebook**

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**Instagram**

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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**

**[orchardhill.org](http://orchardhill.org) | 616.784.4060 | 1465 3 Mile Rd NW**

**Sunday, October 8, 2023**

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ORCHARD HILL!

### TODAY'S SERVICE - IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

This morning we continue our series called, *Real Mature – How to Grow in Following Jesus*. Pastor Laura brings us the message *Growing into Maturity in Faith*, taken from Ephesians 4:11-16. Our scripture can be found on page 1821 in the pew Bible.

Congratulations to our 3rd graders who are receiving their bibles today from Orchard Hill!

Oliver Ballard	Jax Robach
Ryan Benchich Jr.	Adelyn Russell
Paisley Berry	Carter Sommerville
Brian Gardner	Connor Sommerville
Hannah Gingrich	Charlie Thayer
Gracelynn Lee	

### UPCOMING WORSHIP

**October 15:** Real Mature – The Joy of Growing in Jesus. Please bring your “Next Steps” with you for this day of renewal!

**October 22:** Party Popper Sunday – Plan to be with us as we welcome new members to our church family and celebrate new life in Jesus!

**October 29:** Ordination Service – A special service of worship to God with Pastor Greg being ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament.

### GENEROSITY

The key to generosity is to remember that everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren't “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God daily and ask Him how He is calling you to use and be generous with your resources and the life He entrusted to you.

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.



# 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
- Thursday: Flock (18-25 year olds) at 7:00 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](mailto:laurad@orchardhill.org)

## 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!

[wendyh@orchardhill.org](mailto:wendyh@orchardhill.org)

## LIFE LONG LEARNING

If you are a mature believer looking to grow deeper in your faith and to be challenged in your walk, then plan to join us on Thursday, October 19 from 6:30 PM- 8:00 PM. Each month this group will focus on an advanced aspect of our Discipleship Pathway. This month's pathway focus: REACH.

[bobk@orchardhill.org](mailto:bobk@orchardhill.org)

## NEXT STEPS

Please remember to be prayerfully thinking through what steps of growth God may be asking of you this year. Extra copies of the Next Steps Grid and the Membership Marks handout from last week are available in the lobby. Please bring your Next Steps commitment with you next Sunday morning as we commit together to renew our walk with Jesus!

# 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.

[laurad@orchardhill.org](mailto:laurad@orchardhill.org)

## 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.

[laurad@orchardhill.org](mailto:laurad@orchardhill.org)

## 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](mailto:stacys@orchardhill.org)



# SERVE

## WORSHIP CHOIR

The Worship Choir will meet THIS 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!

[wendyh@orchardhill.org](mailto:wendyh@orchardhill.org)

## BIBLE ENACTMENT OPPORTUNITY

Pastor Bob will be working with a team to memorize and present the Biblical Christmas narrative on Sunday, December 17. All are welcome to engage in this experience. Please fill out a Connection Card or email Pastor Bob.

[bobk@orchardhill.org](mailto:bobk@orchardhill.org)

# ETC.

## 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!

## 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](mailto:larryfeldt1@gmail.com)

## OHC GIVING:

- Weekly Need: \$14,000
- Last week's offering: \$13,002 (-\$998)
- YTD Budget: \$180,000
- YTD Received: \$193,870 (+13,870)

Have a  
BLESSED WEEK