

CARE

PRAYERS FOR THE OHC FAMILY

• Please pray for encouragement for our **Orchard Hill missionary and his family** during the holidays while it's his first season away.

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 before the Service if you are in need of prayer.

GRATITUDE

A huge thank you to everyone who came out to decorate this past week and to Jack and Kristi Vandenbroek for making the beautiful backdrop in our sanctuary. What a beautiful place to worship our Savior this season! Thank You! - Wendy Huizinga

SERVE

USHER NEEDED

We are in need of one additional usher on our Frontlines team to help meet and greet people as they come into worship. Ushers serve once every six weeks. If you are interested email Terri in the office or sign up on the Connection Card.

territ@orchardhill.org

HAND 2 HAND AT CENTRAL ELEMENTARY

60% of families in Walker don't qualify for assistance but don't make enough financially to get by without it. In light of this high need in our own backyard, Orchard Hill is partnership with Hand 2 Hand Ministries to provide weekend meals for hungry students from Central Elementary School. This will be an ongoing collection of food and opportunities to deliver meals to Central or help package them. Visit the following links to share the love of Christ through this ministry!

1. Sign up to pack meals: tinyurl.com/ohcmealpacking
 2. Donate food supplies: tinyurl.com/ohcfoodneeds
 3. Sign up to deliver meals: tinyurl.com/centralmealdelivery
- cmkunst6@yahoo.com

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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 | 616.784.4060 | 1465 3 Mile Rd NW

Sunday, November 26, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT ORCHARD HILL!

TODAY'S SERVICE - IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

This week we conclude our series on *LEARNING TO LAMENT*. Pastor Bob will be focusing on the story of Jacob, found in Genesis 32 (page 51 in your pew Bibles), offering us a final encouragement in our time of lament.

GENEROSITY

"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?"
- Matthew 16:26

Be sure that you are setting your priorities on how you spend your time, talent, and treasure based on God's values and not the values of the material world. Let us prioritize our finances to 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.



TITHES & OFFERINGS:

- Weekly Need: \$14,000
- Last week's offering: \$14,080
- YTD Budget: \$279,000
- YTD Received: \$300,879 (+\$21,875 / +8%)

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!

CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING: THE BAST FUND

The Bast Fund of Orchard Hill Church is a scholarship fund set up in the name of Dr. Henry Bast to assist those who are pursuing advanced theological studies or looking for training to enter the mission field. Please consider making a special offering to this fund on Christmas Eve so that we can continue to share the Good News of "Immanuel" with our world.

Have a
BLESSED WEEK

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

YOUTH WINTER RETREAT

Come join our middle and high school students at CranHill Ranch for a great weekend of worship, fellowship, and winter fun, January 12-14, 2024. Cost is \$100. Sign up and pay by December 10. gregs@orchardhill.org

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

HILLTOPPERS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCH

If you are 65+, come to our Hilltoppers Christmas Lunch & Worship event! We meet on Tuesday, December 19 at 10:30 AM for worship and devotions in the coffee area. We'll follow that up with a delicious, catered meal from Carole's Catering. Make your reservations by signing up at the Sign Up Post. *Deadline to sign up is December 14.* wendyh@orchardhill.org

OUTREACH

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS OUTREACH

Orchard Hill is working with our local community and mission partners to provide Christmas presents for children whose parents are facing financial hardship. Share God's love with families in these ways:

1. Take a child's tag off the tree in the West or East entry, sign the tag out, and return the corresponding gifts by Sunday, December 10 (attach the tag number to the gifts).
2. Volunteer to meet with parents picking up gifts, give them their Christmas kits from OHC (designed to help families celebrate Jesus), and pray for them, on Wednesday, December 13 or Thursday, December 14, with time slots from 2:00 PM– 6:00 PM.

Sign up on the Sign Up Post. If you are a family from OHC and you would be blessed by this extra support this Christmas, please let us know! bethdewaal@yahoo.com

LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PATH

Friday-Sunday • December 15-17 • 6:00-9:00 PM

We will be celebrating the Christmas season on our Lighted Christmas Path again this year! Our church family and community are invited to walk the path (located behind the East parking lot) as you enjoy lights, hot chocolate and goodies, photos by the nativity, and Christmas carolers, all in celebration of Jesus! There are many ways to get involved! **Please sign up at the Outreach table in the lobby!** We are looking for people to serve in the following capacities:

LIGHTING/DECORATING TEAM:

- *November 24 & 25* we'll be running extension cords and lighting the "family trees" and pathway lights.
- *December 8 & 9* we'll repair and place displays, add special lighting, and complete set up.

• **ADOPT A TREE:** Individuals, families or small groups can sign up to decorate one of the path trees. The trees will be lit, you just have to pick a theme and decorate!

• **GREETER TEAM:** Sign up for one of the evenings and greet our guests who come to the event.

• **HOSPITALITY TEAM:** Help serve hot chocolate and cookies one of the nights.

• **DONATE COOKIES:** We need lots of cookies for the event. Buy or bake 2 dozen (please have them at church by December 14). laurad@orchardhill.org / wendyh@orchardhill.org

CHRISTMAS HAPPENINGS

ADVENT WORSHIP

Our Advent series begins on Sunday, December 3 as we explore "The Miracle of Christmas" from different viewpoints. Each week we will look at the Bible and see how the miracle of Christ's coming into the world affects each of us personally.

- **December 3:** The Miracle of the Moment with Communion
- **December 10:** The Miracle of the Message with Children's Program
- **December 17:** The Miracle of the Manger with Choir & Drama
- **December 24:** Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5:30 PM. (No morning service)

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

Join us Sunday evening, December 3, for an optional light dinner at 5:15 PM in the lobby coffee area, with worship following at 6:00 PM. This service is for anyone who has experienced loss; a loved one, a relationship, a job, health, a dream, or anything else that makes life difficult. Postcard invites are at the entrance information tables for you to share with those that need to be encouraged!

wendyh@orchardhill.org

SHUT-IN CHRISTMAS CARDS

Send Christmas Cards to our shut-ins to help brighten their holiday season! This is a great ministry for families to do together. Pick up a list of our shut-ins at the Connection table and bring back your written cards by the morning of December 3 (place in the marked boxes on the tables by the entry doors). *Please note, you do not need to add postage.*

maureenmdk@gmail.com

COUPLES ADVENT PRAYER DEVOTIONAL

We will have a Couple's Advent Devotional available on Sunday, December 3. Pick up your copy at the Connect table and take the couple's challenge this month as we focus our attention on Jesus and growing closer as a couple during this Christmas season!

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WOMEN OF THE HILL CHRISTMAS EVENT

Join us for some Christmas fun & games, good food, and fellowship with awesome women as we center ourselves around the gift we have in Jesus this season. We'll meet on Thursday, December 7 at 6:30 PM in Studio 1 (downstairs).

laurad@orchardhill.org

WORSHIP CHOIR

The Worship Choir sings on Sunday, December 17 with rehearsals on Monday, December 11 and Wednesday, December 13 at 6:30 PM. If you would like to join the choir this season, email Wendy and she can send you a playlist of songs to start working on!

wendyh@orchardhill.org

HILLKIDS CHRISTMAS CHOIR

Rehearsals for the Kindergarten through 5th graders continue TODAY after the service until 1:00 PM in the Resource Room. The preschoolers will also rehearse following the service. Lunch is provided for the kids.

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