

November 15, 2020  
World Thank Offering Sunday

Welcome, Announcements and Parish Notes Pastor John

Prelude Jen Moser

Responsive Reading (Psalm 84:1-4) J.J. Cline

One: How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty!  
**All: My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord;**  
One: My heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.  
**All: Even the sparrow has found a home,**  
One: And the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young  
**All: A place near your altar, Lord Almighty, my King and my God.**  
One: Blessed are those who dwell in your house;  
**All: They are ever praising you.**

\*Hymn "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" No 384  
(Verses 1 and 2)

Prayer of Affirmation and Assurance (1 Corinthians 2:10-13)

The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit-taught words.

Unison Prayer (Isaiah 60:1-5)

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your

dawn. "Lift up your eyes and look about you: all assemble and come to you; your sons come from afar, and your daughters are carried on the hip. Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy; the wealth on the seas will be brought to you, to you the riches of the nations will come.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty, Eternal, and Everlasting God, we acknowledge your splendor, your majesty, and your grandeur, as we admit our human imperfection, our weakness in the flesh, and our worldly failings. Forgive us for our sins, sanctify our souls, guide us with your wisdom, and strengthen us in the face of all that tempts us so that we may grow closer and more resolute in you. This we pray in humble adoration. Amen!

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading II Corinthians 4:1-6

Response One: Let us Rejoice in God's Holy Word!

**All: For His Word brings us Light, Hope, and Joy!**

\*Gloria Patri No. 70

\*Hymn "Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring" No. 644

Sermon "You Ain't Seen Nothin' Yet" Pastor John

Our Morning Prayer

As we gather today as a fellowship of believers, let us lift up our prayers and petitions at this time.

Pastoral Prayer  
Lord's Prayer No. 895

World Thank Offering Miriam Zech

Presentation to God of Our Gifts  
\*Doxology No. 95

\*Hymn "Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates" No. 213  
(Verses 1 and 4)

Benediction and Postlude

\*=please stand in body or spirit

Salvation Army Bell Ringing:

It's that time of the year again for bell ringing; however, due to our congregation's demographics and the COVID-19 pandemic, we have decided not to participate this year. We realize demand for the Salvation Army's social services will likely increase this year at a time when fundraising will likely decrease. Therefore, in the absence of bell ringing, we will have a special offering for the Salvation Army this Sunday. Please mark your special offering for "Salvation Army" and put it in the offering plate. We hope to support the bell ringing again next year.

Mt. Vision Christmas:

We are asking, once again, that you help support Mt. Vision's Christmas to children in Appalachia. This year our gifts will go to children in Webster Springs, West Virginia. If you are willing to purchase a \$25 gift for a child please see Pam Domer after worship.

Financial News:

Tithes and Offerings needed each Sunday for budgeted expenses (October 2020): \$1,767

Received last month:

10/04 - \$1,525.00

10/11 - \$3,267.50

10/18 - \$1,097.00

10/25 - \$1,825.00

As of 10/31/2020, we received about 109% of our budgeted income for the month of October and 81% YTD. Our trend continues upwards; it again improved over the previous month. Oak Chapel is alive and well!



### Our Prayer List

Our neighbors and our community, those serving in the armed forces, our country, its leaders

### Our Church Family

Jennifer Adair	April Aten
Betsy Bower	Arden Boyer
Roger Martin	Bill Feldman
Esther Franks	Wayne Kahrig
Elsie Mykrantz	Betty Princehorn
Pat and Christy Rickard	Mark and Patti Ritchey
Elaine Sprinkle	Bill Stewart
Connie Wheeler	Roger Burckhart
Tina Clevidence	Youth Group

### Our Friends, Family and Neighbors

Rev. Keith Bohley  
 Betty Copus  
 Mike and Ruth  
 Friends of Tina Braucher  
 Our Nation



### Opportunities for Ministry This Week

Sunday 11/15	World Thank Offering	
	Acorn Deadline	
	Worship	10:30 am
Monday 11/16	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Trustees	7:00 pm
Tuesday 11/17	Girl Scouts	6:30 pm
Wednesday 11/18	Outreach	9:30 am
Friday/Saturday 11/20-21	Girl Scout Overnight	

### Looking Ahead

Sunday 11/22	Worship	10:30 am
Monday 11/23	Bible Study	9:30 am
	Prayer Shawl	6:00 pm
Tuesday 11/24	Girl Scouts	6:30 pm
	UMW Executive	7:00 pm

### Youth Group:

Our Youth Group typically meets the first and third Sundays of every month from 6:30-7:30 pm in the Gathering Grounds. Our leader provides a lesson that is followed by open discussion. We also have time for fun, games, and a light snack. Please join us or invite a young person you know to attend. Due to our current concern for the health and safety of our youth and their families, check the bulletin to confirm that a meeting has not been cancelled.

Join us from our parking lot at 97.9 FM  
and visit our website at  
[oakchapelumc.com](http://oakchapelumc.com)

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through Love, Compassion,  
Fellowship and Caring*