

October 27, 2024

Bringing Forth the Light

Prelude Jen Moser

Welcome and Announcements Cindy Mykrantz

Opening Prayer Steve Moore

Responsive Proclamation (62:1-2) Steve Moore

Pastor: Only in God do I find rest;

People: My salvation comes from him.

Pastor: Only God is my rock and my salvation;

People: I won't be shaken anymore.

\*Apostles' Creed Cindy Mykrantz

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. On the third day, He rose from the dead, ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*Passing of the Peace Cindy Mykrantz

\*Hymn "In the Garden" No. 314

\*Prayer of Assurance Cindy Mykrantz

A simple act of kindness can brighten one's day and lift them from darkness and despair. Let us be more aware of and sensitive to the plight of others, so that we can show them the light and love of Jesus Christ, in the hopes that they will understand the power of faith and the promise of hope when they pledge to follow Him. This we pray with great expectation in the name of our Precious Savior, now and forever Amen!

Call to Confession Steve Moore

Prayer of Confession Steve Moore

Lord Jesus, the magnitude of your sacrifice is beyond our comprehension, and the power of your resurrection is impossible to grasp, but we know that these events have atoned for our sins and given us new life so that we can carry on without fear of retribution. We confess our sins as we also give you thanks for the gift of reconciliation. In your Benevolent Name, we pray. Amen!

Prayer of Preparation Steve Moore

Scripture 1 Colossians 3:12 Cindy Mykrantz

Scripture 2 Ruth 1:8-9, 14-18, 22 Steve Moore

Scripture 3 Ruth 2:1-11 Cindy Mykrantz

Response

One: Let us rejoice in God's Holy Word

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

\*Gloria Patri

\*Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts" Screen

Chancel Choir "Arise"

Message "Simple Acts of Kindness" Steve Moore

Our Morning Prayer Cindy Mykrantz  
The Lord's Prayer No. 895

Presentation of Our Gifts

\*The Doxology

\*Prayer Over Our Offerings Steve Moore

\*Hymn "They'll Know We are Christians by Our Love"

Benediction Pastor John

Postlude Jen Moser

*\*=An Invitation to Stand in Body or Spirit*

## WHAT'S COMING UP?

### Volunteers Needed

Homeward Bound, the new severe weather shelter located at 981 Grosjean Road in Wooster, is looking for volunteers to help with laundry, serve meals, and do maintenance. If you are interested, you may contact [volunteer@homewardboundwwc.org](mailto:volunteer@homewardboundwwc.org).

### Pictorial Directory

The time has come for Oak Chapel's pictorial directory. Portraits will be taken on Monday and Tuesday of this week at the church. We would love to have everyone participate. Each family will receive a complementary 8x10 portrait with the option of ordering more, just in time for Christmas. If you have not yet signed up, please contact Bob or Rosie Troutman to set up an appointment.

### Glass Candy

Our longtime tradition of making Glass Candy has resumed this fall. Join us on Monday evenings at 6:30 for a time of fun, frivolity, and fellowship as we create a rainbow of delicious flavors to support the efforts of United Women in Faith. No prior experience is necessary. Just come as you are!

### Grief Share

Shreve Community Church will be hosting its annual Grief Share programs on Saturday, November 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The first session, titled "Surviving the Holidays, begins at 10 a.m. and is designed to help those who have lost loved ones to deal with their emotions and summon the strength to persevere during the holiday season. The second session, beginning at 2:30 p.m. titled "Loss of a Spouse," helps the survivor to handle the loneliness and overcome the grief so that they can rebuild their life. More details on the bulletin board.



**Praises and Prayers**

Gracious and Loving God, we are committed to treating our neighbors with kindness and compassion in honor of our covenant with you. We also ask you to hear our voices as we lift up the following praises and prayers before you....

**Praises**

- \*For God’s presence in our church and our world
- \*For the compassion of our caregivers
- \*For Joyce Varns, who is recovering from surgery
- \*For Erica Boyer and Alex Merwin, who became engaged

**Prayers**

- \*For peace in our Nation and in our World
- \*For Paula Shrader, who is recovering from a broken hip
- \*For Bill Braucher following his cardiac procedures last week
- \*For Tina Braucher as she travels back and forth to Cleveland
- \*For Wayne Spangler, who is at the Wayne Co. Care Center
- \*For the Hildebrandt Family on the loss of their mother
- \*For the Family of Darryl Flynn, who passed last week
- \*For Tom Wolf, who had emergency surgery

**All Saints Day**

On Sunday, November 3, we will celebrate All Saints Day. We will honor those who have died since November 1 last year. If you would like us to recognize a loved one, please let Pastor John or the church office know. They need not be members of Oak Chapel.

**Upcoming Worship Services**

- November 3 ..... For All the Saints
- November 10..... God Only Knows
- November 17..... Pick Me Up
- November 24 ..... Where’s the Beef?
- December 1 ..... Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus
- December 8 .....O Come All Ye Faithful

**Opportunities for Worship and Ministry This Week...**

Sunday 10/27	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Worship	10:30 a.m.
Monday 10/28	Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
	Directory Photos	2—8:30 p.m.
	Prayer Shawl Ministry	6:00 p.m.
	Candy Making	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday 10/29	Directory Photos	2—8:30 p.m.
	Girl Scouts	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 10/30	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.
Saturday 11/2	Charge Conference	10:00 a.m.

**Looking Ahead**

Sunday 11/3	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Worship	10:30 a.m.
Monday 11/4	Bible Study	9:30 a.m.
	Candy Making	6:30 p.m.
Tuesday 11/5	Election Day	7:30 a.m.
	Retirees’ Breakfast	8:30 a.m.
	Girl Scouts	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 11/6	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.

**Blessings as You Worship**

My thanks to Steve, Cindy, Jen, Tom, C.J., and the Choir for their important roles in leading worship this morning. Sheri and I will miss being with you, but as often happens in life, our plans have changed. We were not able to go to Syracuse because our grandchildren are ill, so we will try again in November. In the meantime, we are hoping to get away this weekend for a little rest and relaxation. Blessings and Best Wishes for a very worshipful service.

**Gratitude for Your Gift**

Just a short note to share our deep appreciation for the wonderful gift during Pastor Appreciation Month. You are such a kind, caring, generous, and compassionate congregation, and I am so honored to serve as your pastor. Oak Chapel is in a very good place because of your dedicated discipleship. May God continue to bless all of us as we move into a very sacred season, and as we gear up for yet another year of service to the Lord.

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**Today’s Message...**

**“Simple Acts of Kindness”**