



OAK KNOLL  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Oak Knoll's Mission:  
Growing the Fruits of God's Kingdom**  
*Galatians 5:22-23*

**Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**  
October 6, 2024  
9:30 a.m.

*Welcome to worship at Oak Knoll!*  
† **Congregation please stand as able**

*Before the service begins, we invite you to use this time of silence for individual prayer and reflection.*

*By attending in-person worship you are consenting to being part of the livestream broadcast.*

*At Oak Knoll we **welcome and encourage children in worship**. We have a playground up front and welcome children and parents to use this space to participate in worship together. We also have a play area in Fellowship Hall where you can hear the service if your child needs a break from the sanctuary worship space.*

**GATHERING MUSIC**

Music selection by Matt Cerar

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(over)

# GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

**CALL TO WORSHIP**     *Hymn of Mercy*, by Eileen Berry and Dan Forrest,  
Oak Knoll Choir, Makenzie Ross-flute

Gracious Lord, Thy mercy filleth all the earth below;  
and from heaven's throne it falleth when to Thee I go.  
Mercy flowing, swift pursuing like a river strong,  
Sympathizing with my weakness; Mercy suffering long.

Mercy calling with compassion: "Oh return to me."  
Wounded are the hands extended, loving is the plea.  
How can I refuse Thy mercy? Whither would I flee?  
From my idol shrine I turn, Lord, reaching up to Thee.

Tender mercy of the Savior gently drawing nigh  
with the blood that cleanseth sinners ready to apply.  
Gracious Lord, Thy mercy filleth all the earth below;  
And from heaven's throne it falleth when to Thee I go.

## † CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

☞ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

☞ **Amen**

☞ Let us confess our sin and come to God for healing.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

☞ Gracious God,

☞ **have mercy on us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues. The cravings at war within us cause conflicts and disputes. In our desire to be first we make distinctions among ourselves. We place the needs of the poor and the suffering last. In your great mercy, forgive us our sins. Draw near to us with grace in time of need, and turn us to follow in the way of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

☞ God promises to forgive us and to remember our sin no more. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ☩ Jesus Christ, the source of eternal healing, your sins are forgiven.

☞ **Amen.**



1.You are salt for the earth, O peo-ple: Salt for the  
 2.You are a light on the hill, O peo-ple: Light for the  
 3.You are a seed of the Word, O peo-ple: Bring forth the



King-dom of God! Share the fla-vor of  
 Cit-y of God! Shine so ho-ly and  
 King-dom of God! Seeds of mer-cy and



life, O peo-ple: Life in the King-dom of God!  
 bright, O peo-ple: Shine for the King-dom of God!  
 seeds of jus-tice, grow in the King-dom of God!



Bring forth the King-dom of mer-cy, bring forth the King-dom of peace;



bring forth the King-dom of jus-tice, bring forth the Cit-y of God!\_\_\_\_\_

WORDS: Marty Haugen (Matt. 5:13-16)  
 MUSIC: Marty Haugen

# † GREETING

☒ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. ☑ **And also with you.**

# † KYRIE (from ELW liturgy Setting Six pages 165-166)


*Kyrie (from the Greek for "Lord have mercy") was originally a shout of praise directed towards God. It is meant to be a joyful cry of "The Lord is merciful!" rather than a plea for mercy.*

Cantor: *In peace, let us pray to the Lord.*

ALL:   
Lord, have mer - cy.

Detailed description: A musical staff in G-clef and one flat key signature (F major). The melody consists of a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note A4 with a fermata. The lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy." are written below the notes.

Cantor: *For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.*

ALL:   
Lord, have mer - cy.


Detailed description: A musical staff in G-clef and one flat key signature. The melody consists of a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note A4 with a fermata. The lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy." are written below the notes.

Cantor: *For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*

ALL:   
Lord, have mer - cy.


Detailed description: A musical staff in G-clef and one flat key signature. The melody consists of a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note A4 with a fermata. The lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy." are written below the notes.

Cantor: *For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.*

ALL:   
Lord, have mer - cy.

Detailed description: A musical staff in G-clef and one flat key signature. The melody consists of a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note Bb4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note Bb4, and a quarter note A4 with a fermata. The lyrics "Lord, have mer - cy." are written below the notes.

Cantor: *Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.*

ALL:   
A - men.

Detailed description: A musical staff in G-clef and one flat key signature. The melody consists of a half note A4, a half note Bb4, a half note C5, a half note Bb4, a half note A4, a half note G4, and a half note F4 with a fermata. The lyrics "A - men." are written below the notes.

# † HYMN OF PRAISE

*This is the Feast*

Final refrain continued on next page



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.



Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

## Final refrain - continued

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

This is the feast of vic-tory for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## † PRAYER OF THE DAY

- The Lord be with you.       And also with you.
- Let us pray together.

**Steadfast God, We thank you for hearing us when we call to you in our time of deepest longing. Give us patience in the waiting and open hearts to receive your amazing grace. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

Vicar Jennifer Schneider

*Sunday School Time: After the Children's sermon, all children (ages 3-5<sup>th</sup> grade) are invited to join leaders in the Sunday school room for a special kids' lesson. Children are also more than welcome to remain in worship with their families. Sunday school children will return to service following the offering.*

## PREACHING TEXT

1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10 (The Message Version)

<sup>9-11</sup> So Hannah ate. Then she pulled herself together, slipped away quietly, and entered the sanctuary. The priest Eli was on duty at the entrance to GOD's Temple in the customary seat. Crushed in soul, Hannah prayed to GOD and cried and cried—inconsolably. Then she made a vow:

Oh, GOD-of-the-Angel-Armies,  
If you'll take a good, hard look at my pain,  
If you'll quit neglecting me and go into action for me  
By giving me a son,  
I'll give him completely, unreservedly to you.  
I'll set him apart for a life of holy discipline.

<sup>19</sup> Up before dawn, they worshiped GOD and returned home to Ramah. Elkanah slept with Hannah his wife, and GOD began making the necessary arrangements in response to what she had asked.

<sup>20</sup> Before the year was out, Hannah had conceived and given birth to a son. She named him Samuel, explaining, "I asked GOD for him."

**2** Hannah prayed:

I'm bursting with GOD-news!  
I'm walking on air.  
I'm laughing at my rivals.  
I'm dancing my salvation.

Scripture continued on page 8

<sup>2-5</sup> Nothing and no one is holy like GOD,  
no rock mountain like our God.  
Don't dare talk pretentiously—  
not a word of boasting, ever!  
For GOD knows what's going on.  
He takes the measure of everything that happens.  
The weapons of the strong are smashed to pieces,  
while the weak are infused with fresh strength.  
The well-fed are out begging in the streets for crusts,  
while the hungry are getting second helpings.  
The barren woman has a houseful of children,  
while the mother of many is bereft.

<sup>6-10</sup> GOD brings death and GOD brings life,  
brings down to the grave and raises up.  
GOD brings poverty and GOD brings wealth;  
he lowers, he also lifts up.  
He puts poor people on their feet again;  
he rekindles burned-out lives with fresh hope,  
Restoring dignity and respect to their lives—  
a place in the sun!  
For the very structures of earth are GOD's;  
he has laid out his operations on a firm foundation.  
He protectively cares for his faithful friends, step by step,  
but leaves the wicked to stumble in the dark.  
No one makes it in this life by sheer muscle!  
GOD's enemies will be blasted out of the sky,  
crashed in a heap and burned.  
GOD will set things right all over the earth,  
he'll give strength to his king,  
he'll set his anointed on top of the world!

**P** The Word of the Lord.

**G** Thanks be to God.

**SERMON**

Vicar Jennifer Schneider



† HYMN OF THE DAY

*Canticle of the Turning*

Red Hymnal 723,  
stanzas 1-2



1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the  
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the  
work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.  
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my  
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my  
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?  
strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.



*Refrain*  
My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

## † APOSTLES' CREED

- ☒ I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.
- I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will 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.

*Apostle's Creed: The word Creed comes from the Latin term credo, meaning, "I believe." The Apostles' Creed was not written by the first apostles, but was based on their teachings. It's origins go back before 200 A.D. The Apostles' Creed was used 1) to instruct new members, 2) to create community among Christians by defining the content of the faith, and 3) to draw the line between accepted and rejected*



## † THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**P** United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence. After each petition:*

**P** We pray to you,

**G** Spirit, Open My Heart , All Creation Sings 1043, stanza 3

3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of  
friend and neigh - bor. As I live from day to  
day, love will be my fin - est la - bor. *Refrain*

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947  
Music: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME, Irish melody; adapt. Alfred V. Fedak, b. 1953  
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Music © 2011 Alfred V. Fedak

## † SHARING OF THE PEACE

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

*In the first letter of Peter, the church is described as the priesthood of all believers. The work of the priesthood is to mediate between God and people. Prayer is part of that work; in our prayer we invite God to work in the world and in the lives of people.*

*Sharing of the Peace is a visible, concrete way we reach out to the members of God's family around us. We show our willingness to be agents of God's love and peace in the world in which we live. The opening words are from Galatians 3:28.*

## OFFERING

*Thank you for supporting our ministry together.*

*All the People Said Amen*, arr. by Marty Hamby, Oak Knoll Choir,  
Joni Sutton-percussion, Sylvi & Sonja Leppa-Strings

You are not alone if you are lonely. When you feel afraid you're not the only.  
We are all the same, in need of mercy; to be forgiven and be free.  
It's all you got to lean on but thank God it's all you need.

*(refrain)* And all the people said, "Amen."  
And all the people said, "Amen."  
Give thanks to the Lord for his love never ends.  
And all the people said, "Amen."

If you're rich or poor, well it don't matter.  
Weak or strong, you know, love is what we're after.  
We're all broken but we're all in this together.  
God knows we stumble and fall  
and He so loved the world He sent his Son to save us all. *(refrain)*

Blessed are the poor in spirit who are torn apart.  
Blessed are the persecuted and the pure in heart.  
Blessed are the people hungry for another start.  
For theirs is the kingdom, the kingdom of God. *(refrain)*

*Please take time this week to give online, mail in, or give by text at 855.389.3312. Complete directions are on the Church website under the 'give' tab.*

*Sometimes the Offering is viewed as a break in the service, a chance for the congregation to do some "fundraising". Actually, the offering is an act of worship. As we give our offering, we symbolically give ourselves to God. Our money is our servanthood in spendable pieces.*

## † OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Spirit, Open My Heart* All Creations Sings 1043, refrain

*Refrain*

Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of  
liv-ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing  
and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

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## † OFFERTORY PRAYER

℘ Let us pray together.

☞ **Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## GOD COMES TO US IN THE MEAL

### † HOLY COMMUNION

℘ The Lord be with you.

☞ **And also with you.**

℘ Lift up your hearts.

☞ **We lift them to the Lord.**

℘ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

☞ **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

### † WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### † THE LORD'S PRAYER

℘ Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

☞ **Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever and ever. Amen.**

*The culmination of the worship service is the celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion, also called the Eucharist. Eucharist is a Greek word which means "thanksgiving".*

*Words of Institution are the words Jesus spoke at the Last Supper when he "instituted" the sacrament. The Apostle Paul wrote these words in I Corinthians 11:23-25.*

*The Lord's Prayer can be found in Matthew 6:9-13 and Luke 11:2-4..*

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION


☐ Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, and eat.

*Jesus invites all to come forward to receive his gift of forgiveness and grace.*

*Today we will be celebrate continuous communion. The pastors will give you the consecrated communion elements. After drinking the wine/juice you can place the small cup in the basket.*

*If you need gluten-friendly communion wafers or grape juice, please indicate to the server by raising your index finger. They will extend the plate to you--the gluten friendly wafers are located in the center dish--and you are invited to take one yourself.*


**DISTRIBUTION** *Please join in singing Lamb of God and distribution hymns:*



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -



way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.  
 2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.  
 3 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.

For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:  
 Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.  
 In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:

*Refrain*

Christ's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,

giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952  
 Music: CAMROSE, Marty Haugen, b. 1950  
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1 I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta - ble,  
 2 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon - ey,  
 3 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,

I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta - ble, some of these days.  
 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey, some of these days.  
 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.

I'm a-goin'-a eat at the wel-come ta - ble,  
 I'm a-goin'-a feast on milk . . . and hon - ey,  
 I'm a-goin'-a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er,

I'm goin' - a eat at the wel-come ta - ble, some of these days.  
 I'm goin' - a feast on milk . . . and hon-ey, some of these days.  
 I'm goin' - a wade 'cross Jor - dan's riv - er, some of these days.

Text: African American spiritual

Music: WELCOME TABLE, African American spiritual; arr. Mark Hayes, b. 1953

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1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;  
 2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,  
 3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,  
 4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be:

all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.  
 and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.  
 to teach the way of life and peace—it is a Christ-like thing.  
 what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Text: William W. How, 1823–1897, alt.  
 Music: HEATH, L. Mason and G. Webb, *Cantica Lauda*, 1850

### POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

**☞ Holy God, you have welcomed us to this meal and fed us at your table. Send us now to welcome others and be at peace with one another, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*We invite anyone, especially the children to come forward to receive an instrument to play during our sending hymn.*

# GOD SENDS US OUT TO SERVE

## † BENEDICTION

☐ God almighty, God most merciful † bless you, keep you, and give you peace.

☑ Amen.

## † SENDING HYMN

*Lift Up Your Hearts*

Gather 558,  
stanzas 1 & 2

Refrain



Lift up your hearts to the Lord, praise God's gra-cious



mer - cy! Sing out your joy to the Lord,



whose love is en - dur - ing.

Verses



1. Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth!

2. Let the earth wor - ship, sing - ing your praise.



Praise the name a - bove all names! Say to God, "How

Praise the glo - ry of your name! Come and see what



won - drous your works, God has re - vealed, how glo - rious your name!

D.C.

Text: Psalm 66; Roc O'Connor, SI, b.1949  
Tune: Roc O'Connor, SI, b.1949; rec. by Robert J. Betasini, b.1962  
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## † DISMISSAL

☐ Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

☑ Thanks be to God.

*Please return the instruments to the containers in the rear as you exit the sanctuary.*

## POSTLUDE

Music selection by Matt Cerar

### **Volunteer Appreciation Cookout - Tuesday, October 8th**

The Oak Knoll Lutheran Church staff invites all ministry volunteers to our Volunteer Appreciation Cookout on Tuesday, October 8th from 6-8pm. Come enjoy a meal served by the staff and play bingo to win fun prizes! Please RSVP by calling or emailing the Church office at (952) 546-5433 or [churchoffice@oklutheran.org](mailto:churchoffice@oklutheran.org).

### **Dinner & Family Night – October 9 @ 6 pm**

All Sunday school children and their families are invited to join the confirmation youth and their families for a meal in Fellowship Hall. Following dinner, confirmation students will resume their regular confirmation schedule, and Sunday school youth and families will be invited to join in a special activity. Free-will offering. [Sign up to attend](#).



### **Steps of Saint Paul Trip**

Pastor Jay is leading a "Steps of Saint Paul" trip to Istanbul, Greece, and the Greek Islands from **September 25–October 7, 2025** through Good Shepherd Travel.

The package price is \$5490.00 which includes roundtrip airfare, night accommodations, daily breakfast and dinner, nine days of sightseeing in a private bus, English-speaking government licenses tour guide on duty, a four-day cruise, and two shore excursions to Kusadi and Patinos!

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please fill out the [Steps of Saint Paul interest form](#). There will be an interest meeting (date TBD) to answer questions regarding the trip. Find more trip details and the application at [goodshepherdtravel.com](http://goodshepherdtravel.com).

### **3-Year-Olds Spark Bible Milestone - October 13th, 9:30am Worship**

All three-year-olds are invited to join in the Spark Bible milestone during worship service. Reach out to Christina Black at [christina.black@oklutheran.org](mailto:christina.black@oklutheran.org) with questions.

### **Summer Camp 2025 Meeting - October 23 @ 7:30 PM**

Registration for Luther Crest opens on November 1, so we need to be prepared to put in our group holds. Please join us in Fellowship Hall for a meeting as we discuss the options for Luther Crest camp (opportunities for K-high school and family camps) and camp Christikon opportunities (middle school and high school). Questions? Reach out to Christina Black.

### **Trunk or Treat—Wednesday, October 30th**

Join us for Trunk or Treating, games for children, and a FREE meal with vegetarian and gluten friendly options! Food will be served from 6-7pm and Trunk or Treating will be at 6:45pm. Costumes are encouraged!

Please sign up to serve at the meal or hand out candy from your car at [oklutheran.org/serve](http://oklutheran.org/serve) or at the welcome desk. We can't wait to celebrate this fun annual event with you!

### **USHERS NEEDED!! Looking for 4 Lead Volunteer Ushers**

Our lead volunteer, Ryan Thompson is resigning after several years as our lead usher. Thank you Ryan!! We are currently looking for 4 volunteers who would be interested in being a captain for 3 months at a time, this could be flexible. Duties would include:

- Being here on Sunday mornings as the captain, overseeing other ushers
- Recruiting volunteers to help out on Sunday mornings, this would include Wednesday nights during Lent and Advent and special services
- Training in new ushers (including youth that have expressed interest in helping)
- Work closely with staff and the hospitality coordinators

Instructions are available if interested, there is also a list of current volunteers. Please contact either Pastor Jay or the church office at 952.546.5433 if you are interested. We would appreciate your participation!

Whole families are welcome to volunteer as well!

**We need your help to serve our community during and after worship on Sunday mornings!** Please help support us by signing up for one of these opportunities:

### **Serve as a Counter after Worship**

Each week we need two counters for after worship on Sundays. This is a job that requires a short amount of time! You will be trained by an experienced volunteer and serve with one other person each time you sign up. If you're interested, please contact Brooke Ruhlin at [brooke.ruhlin@oklutheran.org](mailto:brooke.ruhlin@oklutheran.org) or sign up at [oklutheran.org/serve](http://oklutheran.org/serve).

### **Communion Servers**

We need at least two communion servers to help during Sunday worship each week. This is a great way to serve while you are already at the church! Please review the available slots and [sign up online!](#)

### **Scripture Reader**

We need a volunteer each Sunday to be a scripture reader. You will receive the reading and/or prayers a few days before your assigned Sunday, and we ask that you arrive to worship by 9:15am for a mic check. Please serve in this area by [signing up for Scripture/Prayer Leader online](#)

### **Prayer Leader**

We need a volunteer each Sunday to serve as a prayer leader. You will receive the prayers a few days before your assigned Sunday, and we ask that you arrive to worship by 9:15am for a mic check. Please serve in this area by [signing up for Scripture/Prayer Leader online](#)

### **Communion Set up/Clean Up Volunteers Needed**

We need volunteers to help set up and clean up for communion on Sunday mornings. You are welcome to do just set up, just clean up or both. Set up can be done on Fridays or Saturdays. If you would like to volunteer in this way please contact the church office, [churchoffice@oklutheran.org](mailto:churchoffice@oklutheran.org) or call 952.546.5433.

### **Ushers**

Each Sunday we need 2-4 people to usher. If you are interested please [sign up online](#) or contact the church office at 952.546.5433.

Contact Karla at [karla@oklutheran.org](mailto:karla@oklutheran.org) if you would like more information on any of these opportunities. Thank you!

### **Streaming Ministry**

The Streaming team is looking for new volunteers to join the team and run the video and sound feeds on Sunday mornings. The new technology is fun and easy to use. Please see Stephen after services or reach out at [stephen.murray@oklutheran.org](mailto:stephen.murray@oklutheran.org)

**The Sandwich Ministry is our Ministry Partner for October:** The Sandwich Ministry was founded to support the “363 Project” in feeding those experiencing homelessness throughout the entire year. We purchase supplies and gather our congregation to prepare 500 sandwiches on one Sunday each month. The sandwiches are donated to local shelters or our ministry partners, including Our Saviour’s, the 363 Project, the Salvation Army, and Hope Avenue Twin Cities which is a non-profit organization and an outreach ministry in North Minneapolis serving those experiencing homelessness.

Oak Knoll purchases the bread, meat, cheese, and sandwich bags for The Sandwich Ministry. For around \$300 each month, we are able to provide 500 sandwiches (most of which are never frozen) to support our local community residents.

Please consider supporting this valued ministry partner either financially or by volunteering to prepare sandwiches. Thank you for your support!

### **Curious Readers Book Study**

Pastor Michele will be leading the Curious Readers book study, starting up again in late September. This group reads a book together and interacts over email to discuss. The book we will be reading this season is *In God’s Presence* by Marjorie Hewitt Suchocki. This group is fully online and meant to give participants lots of flexibility and time for thoughtful responses. Please contact Pastor Michele to get involved with this study at [pastor.michele@oklutheran.org](mailto:pastor.michele@oklutheran.org).

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## **Youth Activities Showcase**

### **Many Sports Events!**

We have many youth active in softball, baseball, volleyball and swimming. If you're interested in catching a game and supporting the youth, reach out to me at [Christina.black@oklutheran.org](mailto:Christina.black@oklutheran.org), and I can provide you details.

\*If your child has an upcoming activity, we'd love to showcase it. Send me the details at [christina.black@oklutheran.org](mailto:christina.black@oklutheran.org).

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**Today, Sunday, October 6, 2024**

Worship	9:30 AM
Sunday School	9:45 AM
Coffee & Fellowship	10:30 AM

**Monday, October 7**

Women's Bible Study - Pew Sisters	9:30 AM
Fall Bible Study	7:00 PM

**Tuesday, October 8**

Volunteer Appreciation dinner	6:00 PM
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**Wednesday, October 9**

Quilting	9:00 AM
Staff Meeting	11:00 AM
Generosity Team Meeting	1:00 PM
Confirmation	6:00 PM
Sunday School & Confirmation Family Dinner	6:00 PM
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 PM

**Thursday, October 10**

Men's Breakfast	10:00 AM
Worship Planning	6:00 PM
Bell Choir	6:30 PM

**Friday, October 11**

Bulletin Folders	9:45 AM
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**Saturday, October 12**

**Sunday, October 13**

Worship	9:30 AM
Sunday School	9:45 AM
Coffee & Fellowship	10:30 AM

## Oak Knoll Online Giving

You can go directly to Oak Knoll's Online Giving page through <http://oklutheran.org/give>. and click on the 'Give' button on the top right of the page.



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**Cantor:** Peter Hartfiel

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**Communion Bread:** Pam Thompson

**Counters:** Sean Weiser, Sue Larson

**Coffee & Treat Sponsors:** Gil Vandeventer~*In memory of Geraldine's birthday on October 17th*

**Ushers:** Ryan Thompson, Sandy Haapala

**Communion Set up/Clean up:** Pam Thompson

### Holy Communion

We welcome those worshiping online to join us in the Sacrament of Holy Communion, please contact one of the pastors and we can plan a time to either meet you at church or come to your home to share communion.