



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

Generosity Sunday
October 11, 2026
9:30a.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 pray-ground 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.

PRELUDE TO WORSHIP *Children's Medley (Jesus Loves the Little Children/
Jesus Loves Even Me/Jesus Loves me), arr. Mark Hayes*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

(over)

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Creating God, Your Fingers Trace, arr. Ralph M. Johnson,
Oak Knoll Choir

Creating God, your fingers trace the bold designs of farthest space;
let sun and moon and stars and light and what lies hidden praise your might.

Sustaining God, your hands uphold earth's mysteries known or yet untold;
let water's fragile blend with air enabling life, proclaim your care.

Redeeming God, your arms embrace all now despised for creed or race;
let peace, descending like a dove, make known on earth your healing love.

Indwelling God, your gospel claims one family with a billion names;
let every life be touched by grace until we praise you face to face.

† CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

☞ Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God, who pours love into our hearts and healing upon the earth.

☞ **Amen.**

☞ Confident that God justifies us by grace through faith, let us confess our sin.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

☞ Compassionate God,

☞ **we confess that we struggle to embody your goodness in the world and in our own hearts.**

Creation groans from overuse. Jealousy and bitterness strain our relationships. Indifference keeps us from seeking justice.

Divisions disrupt your call to show genuine love to others.

Turn our hearts back to you. Restore our world and reconcile us to one another.

Renew us to live as your holy people, following the way of Jesus Christ. Amen.

☞ Hear this good news: We have peace with God through ☩ Jesus Christ, in whom there is no condemnation, but only forgiveness and the promise of eternal life. Receive freely this healing gift of grace.

☞ **Amen.**



1 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -
 2 From of old you loved and sought us: thanks be to you for -
 3 Praise to you, O God of mer - cy: thanks be to you for -



ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:
 ev - er! Truth and jus - tice you have taught us:
 ev - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for - ev - er!
 thanks be to you for -



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.

⌘ Coda



ev - er! Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

Text and music: *Now the Feast and Celebration*, Marty Haugen, b. 1950

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† 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 *Now the Feast and Celebration* by Marty Haugen

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, in peace let us pray to the Lord.*

ALL: 
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor: *For the reign of God, and for peace throughout the world,
for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.*

ALL: 
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor: *For your people here who have come to give you praise,
for the strength to live your word, let us pray to the Lord.*

ALL: 
Lord, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Cantor: *Help, save and defend us, O God.*


A - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE

Now the Feast and Celebration



Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion



sings for joy to the God of life and love and free-dom;



praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has



freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God.



3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of



God; to make all things new.

† PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you. **Q** And also with you.

P Let us pray together.

Q Gracious God, guide us in your ways, that our lives may reflect your covenant, your love, and your peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

3 YEAR OLD BIBLE MILESTONE

Madeline Mae Beumer

Sunday School Time: After the Milestone, all children (ages 3-5th 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

Exodus 19:3-7; 20:1-17

³ Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob and tell the Israelites: ⁴ 'You have seen what I did to the Egyptians and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. ⁵ Now, therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, ⁶ but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites."

⁷ So Moses went, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him.

...

¹ Then God spoke all these words,

² "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; ³ you shall have no other gods before me.

⁴ "You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above or that is on the earth beneath or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me ⁶ but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷ "You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

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⁸“Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor and do all your work. ¹⁰ But the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. ¹¹ For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and consecrated it.

¹²“Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

¹³“You shall not murder.

¹⁴“You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵“You shall not steal.

¹⁶“You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

¹⁷“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, male or female slave, ox, donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”

P The Word of the Lord. **G** Thanks be to God.

SERMON

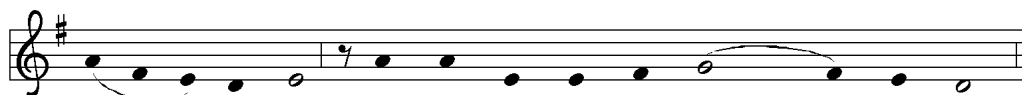
Pastor Jay Rudi





1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive

3 O come, O come, O Lord of might, as to your tribes on



Is - ra - el, that mourns in lone - ly ex - ile here

Si - nai's height in an - cient times you gave the law



un - til the Son of God ap - pear.

in cloud, and maj - es - ty, and awe. Re-joyce! Re-joyce!



Em - man - u - el shall come to you, O Is - ra - el.

6 O come, O Dayspring, come and cheer;
O Sun of justice, now draw near.
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
and death's dark shadow put to flight. *Refrain*

Text: *Psalterium Canticum Catholicarum*, Köln, 1710; tr. composite
Music: VENI, EMMANUEL, French processional, 15th cent.
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† THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

P God of resurrection and new life, we come before you in prayer for the church, the world, and all those in need.

A brief silence. After each petition:

P We pray to you,



All Creation Sings 1078, stanza 2

2 For wis - dom, for cour - age, for com - fort:
hear our prayer. In weak - ness, in fear:
Refrain
be near; hear our prayer, O God.

Text: Anne Quigley, b. 1955

Music: LONGING, Anne Quigley

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† SHARING OF THE PEACE

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

OFFERING

Thank you for supporting our ministry together.

Please come forward as you feel called, to bring up your 2027 Generosity Card and your Sunday offering as a sign of your partnership in Growing the Fruit of God's kingdom through Generosity in Motion.

In the Shadow of Your Wings, by Phil Speary and John Leavitt, Oak Knoll Choir
and Jason Moore-Oboe

Gracious God, be merciful,
O my God, be merciful.
My soul is crying out to You.
My only refuge, Lord, is You, God most high.
In the shadow of Your wings,
'neath the shadow of Your wings,
My soul finds rest from my deep distress.
My heart hides there till this darkness passes by.
I cry to God on high
Whose purpose is fulfilled for me,
He reaches down to save
And reproaches him who threatens me.
Gracious God, be merciful,
O my God, be merciful.
My soul finds love and truth in You.
No other place of safety, Lord, but You.
In the shadow of Your wings I hide.

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.



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

† OFFERTORY RESPONSE *Praise and Thanksgiving* Red Hymnal 689, stanza 1

1 Praise and thanks-giv-ing, God, we would of-fer for all things

liv-ing, you have made good: har-vest of sown fields, fruits of the

or-chard, hay from the mown fields, blos-som and wood.

The image shows a three-system musical score for a hymn. Each system consists of a treble and bass staff. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes. The first system starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The third system concludes the stanza with a double bar line.

Text: Albert E. Bayly, 1901–1984, alt.
 Music: BUNESSAN, Gaelic tune; arr. hymnal version
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† OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray together.

G God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

GOD COMES TO US IN THE MEAL

† HOLY COMMUNION

- P** The Lord be with you. **C** And also with you.
P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give God thanks and praise.

† WORDS OF INSTITUTION

† THE LORD'S PRAYER

- C** 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P** Christ invites you to this table. All who are thirsty, all who are hungry, come!

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

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

If you desire juice instead of wine or gluten-friendly wafers, please indicate to the server by raising your index finger. They will extend the plate to you--the gluten free 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
you break the chains of ha - tred and
you are the way of jus - tice and
you are the way of mer - cy and



world: have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us,
fear:
peace:
love.

Final Stanza



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you



take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace,



grant us peace, grant us peace.



1 You who dwell in the shel-ter of the Lord, who a-bide in this shad-ow for life,



say to the Lord: "My ref - uge, my rock in whom I trust!"



And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.



2 The snare of the fowl-er will nev-er cap-ture you, and fam-ine will bring you no



fear; un - der God's wings your ref-uge, with faith-ful-ness your shield.



3 You need not fear the ter-ror of the night, nor the ar-row that flies by



day; though thou-sands fall a - bout you, near you it shall not come.

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On Eagle's Wings (continued)

Final refrain

All



And he will raise you up on ea-gle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,



make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of his hand.



And hold you, hold you in the palm of his hand.

Text: Michael Joncas, b. 1957

Music: ON EAGLE'S WINGS, Michael Joncas

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Day by Day

Red Hymnal 790



1 Day by day, your mer - cies, Lord, at - tend me, bring - ing com - fort
 2 Day by day, I know you will pro - vide me strength to serve and
 3 Oh, what joy to know that you are near me when my bur - dens



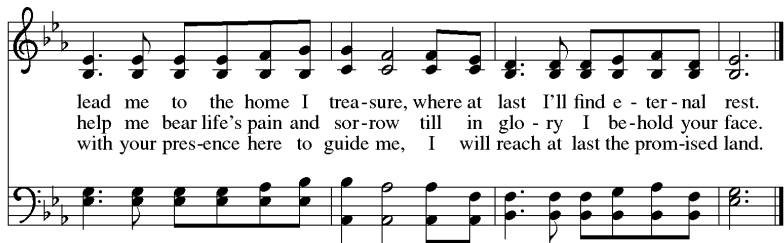
to my anx - ious soul. Day by day, the bless - ings, Lord, you send me
 wis - dom to o - bey; I will seek your lov - ing will to guide me
 grow too great to bear; oh, what joy to know that you will hear me



draw me near - er to my heav'n - ly goal. Love di - vine, be - yond all
 o'er the paths I strug - gle day by day. I will fear no e - vil
 when I come, O Lord, to you in prayer. Day by day, no mat - ter



mor - tal mea - sure, brings to naught the bur - dens of my quest; Sav - ior,
 of the mor - row, I will trust in your en - dur - ing grace. Sav - ior,
 what be - tide me, you will hold me ev - er in your hand. Sav - ior,



lead me to the home I trea - sure, where at last I'll find e - ter - nal rest.
 help me bear life's pain and sor - row till in glo - ry I be - hold your face.
 with your pres - ence here to guide me, I will reach at last the prom - ised land.

Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
 and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
 then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
 From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing:
 and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
 and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
 our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.

Refrain



"A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings."
 then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
 when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
 With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

† POST-COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

☞ The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

☞ Amen.

☞ Let us pray together:

☞ **Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen**

GOD SENDS US OUT TO SERVE

† BENEDICTION

☞ The Lord blesses you and keeps you. The Lord's face shines on you and is gracious to you. The Lord lifts up his countenance upon you, and gives you peace.

This was the blessing Moses' brother, Aaron, gave to the Hebrew people after they crossed the Red Sea, during their time in the Wilderness.

† SENDING HYMN

On Our Way Rejoicing

Red Hymnal 537

1 On our way re - joic - ing glad - ly let us go.
2 Un - to God the Fa - ther joy - ful songs we sing;

Christ our Lord has con - quered; van - quished is the foe.
un - to God the Sav - ior thank - ful hearts we bring;

Christ with - out, our safe - ty; Christ with - in, our joy;
un - to God the Spir - it bow we and a - dore,

who, if we be faith - ful, can our hope de - stroy?
on our way re - joic - ing now and ev - er - more.

Refrain

On our way re - joic - ing; as we for - ward move,

hear - ken to our prais - es, O blest God of love!

† DISMISSAL

☞ Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace. ☞ **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

On Our Way Rejoicing, arr. Rodney Abriol

Midweek Mix—Thursday, October 15, 2026; 10:00-noon

Enjoy a concert like never before with the unique sounds of the oboe and bass together. This married couple's duet, **OboeBass!** (Carrie Vecchione & Rolf Erdahl) approach to programming is to draw audiences into a musical journey. Their repertoire is virtuosic and demanding, yet accessible, with folksong, jazz, tango, and literary inspirations.



Join us for treats and social time starting at 10:00am followed by the presentation at 11:00am. RSVP at the Welcome Desk or by calling the Church Office. The registration cost of \$5 may be paid in person at the event or online at oklutheran.org/give. All are welcome!



Save the Date - Trunk or Treat, October 28th

Join us for Trunk or Treating, games for children, and a FREE taco meal with vegetarian and gluten friendly options on Wednesday, October 28. Food will be served from 6-7pm and Trunk or Treating will start at 6:45pm. Costumes are encouraged! Please sign up to serve at the meal or hand out candy from your car at oklutheran.org/volunteer or at the Welcome Desk.

You can also support this event at oklutheran.org/give. Your sponsorship funds will help us pay for food, drinks, activities, and outreach for this fun event. Please consider donating what you can or sponsoring five meals for \$35. **We have a goal to raise \$2,000 for this event.**

Fall New Member Class

You are invited to come and learn about Oak Knoll and our ministry at this year's new member session **Sunday, November 8th from 10:45-11:45am**. Pastor Jay will tell you about the Oak Knoll faith community, our faith practices, and our shared vision as followers of Jesus.

We will welcome new members to Oak Knoll on Sunday, November 15h at our 9:30am worship service.

If you'd like to be included in the New Member Class, please RSVP churchoffice@oklutheran.org. You can also email or call with any questions.

Christmas in Christ Chapel "A Shoot Shall Spring Forth"

Gustavus Adolphus is thrilled to invite you to the Christmas in Christ Chapel Preview Tour this November. "This preview tour 'prepares the way' for Advent (to quote Isaiah) with education, inspiration, and an embodiment of the of the college's foundational relationship with the Church," says Gustavus Chaplain Ben Hilding.

Come and participate in In-Depth Scripture, Live Music & Liturgy and Community Connection. Joining these conversations is John Hermanson, Dr. Blake Couey, and Maren Haynes Marchesini. **They will be at Oak Knoll Lutheran Church Thursday, November 12th at 7:00pm.**

From Luther's Legacy to Germany's Cultural Treasures- An Inspiring Journey of Faith and Discovery

Join Pastor Jay and other members of Oak Knoll as we explore Germany's rich history from the Reformation to music, from Luther to Bonhoeffer, Bach, and Guttenberg, with tour stops in Berlin, Mainz, Worms, Leipzig, Wittenberg, and Frankfurt.

Dates of travel from MSP Airport: **April 08 – 18, 2027** Cost is: **\$5,390.00**

The itinerary and all other information about the trip can be found here:

<https://tinyurl.com/y5vs8xuy> Please contact Pastor Jay with any questions.



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 250 sandwiches, (most of which are never frozen) on one Sunday each month.

The sandwiches are donated to local shelters or our ministry partners, including Our Saviour’s, the 363 Project, and the Salvation Army. Oak Knoll purchases the bread, meat, cheese, and sandwich bags for around \$300 each month.

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

Sign up for Serving and Sponsorship

There are many opportunities to serve or provide sponsorship here at Oak Knoll -- this includes both ongoing and one-time activities. Check out oklutheran.org/volunteer and oklutheran.org/sponsor to learn more about ways to share your gifts and enrich our community.



Sponsorship Opportunities

There are plenty of Sunday’s open to sponsor Sunday morning coffee and treats. The cost for coffee is \$50 for one slot up to \$150 for all three slots. You can sign up online at oklutheran.org/sponsor or at the welcome desk. You can pay online or by check. Thank you in advance for your generosity in supporting Oak Knoll Lutheran Church!

- Upcoming available coffee dates: October 18th & 25th, November 1st, 8th, & 15th December 13th, 20th & 27th.

Today, Sunday, October 11, 2026

Worship & Sunday School 9:30 AM

Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 AM

Monday, October 12

Pew Sisters 9:30 AM

Bible History Class 7:00 PM

Tuesday, October 13

Wednesday, October 14

Quilters 9:00 AM

Staff Meeting 11:00 AM

NO Confirmation

Choir Rehearsal 7:00 PM

Thursday, October 15

The Gathering 10:00 AM

Midweek Mix 10:00 AM

Friday, October 16

Bulletin Folders 9:30 AM

Saturday, October 17

Sunday, October 18

Worship 9:30 AM

NO Sunday School

Coffee & Fellowship 10:30 AM

Sandwich Ministry - Fellowship Hall 10:45 AM

Oak Knoll Online Giving

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