

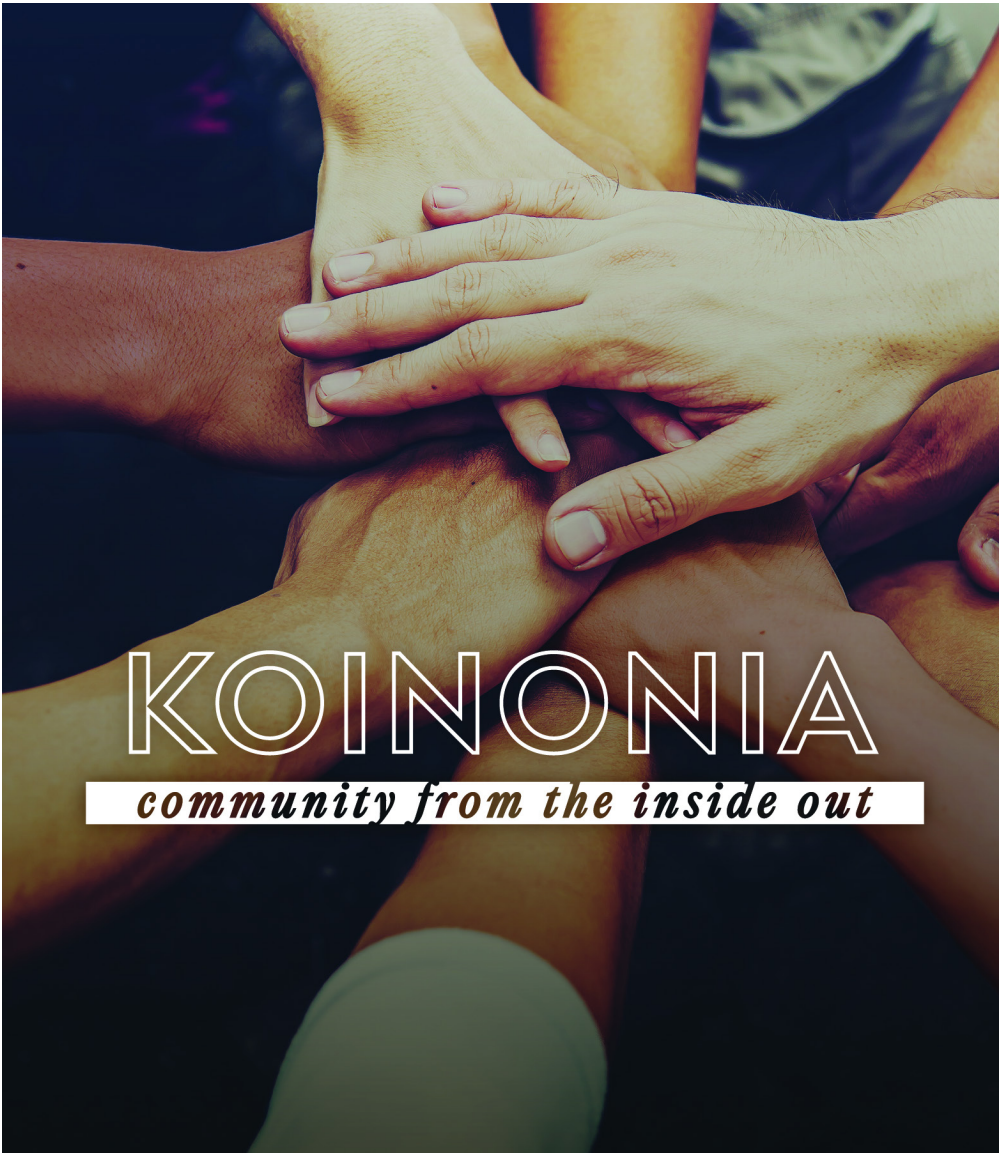


LAKE GROVE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Real. Active. Faith.

Partnering with Christ who transforms the world one life at a time



KOINONIA

community from the inside out

NOVEMBER 23RD | 9:30 AM

SANCTUARY

Welcome to Lake Grove Presbyterian Church, a community committed to the love of Christ that draws us into a life-giving relationship with God and one another! As we explore and practice what community means to us in this season we hope you will find a spot to join right in! If you have questions or want to know more about our community here please call (503) 636-5656.

TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

**please stand if able*

Prelude

Come, Thou Fount arr. Paul Manz

Welcome

Church Alive

*Call to Worship

One: Shouts of joy! Songs of praise! Sounds of hope and love!

All: These are moments of thanksgiving – giving thanks to our God!

One: Yahweh is our God. Our creator. We are God's people,
led by God's love.

All: These are moments of thanksgiving – giving thanks to our God!

One: Enter God's house with thanksgiving. Enter the worship
space with praise!

All: These are moments of thanksgiving – giving thanks to our God!

One: In this season of the harvest, we are mindful that –

**All: You have brought us into this place and shared with us this
land, a land flowing with milk and honey, a land flowing
with wheat and pears, cranberries and hazel nuts!**

One: Bless our worship this day, offered to You! Bless our
Thanksgiving week with hearts of gratitude!

All: Hallelujah and Amen.

*Hymn 645

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

*Prayer of Adoration

Anthem El Cielo Canta Alegria

El cielo canga alegría, Aleluya! Heaven is singing for joy, Alleluia!
Porque en tu vida y la mía Because in your life and mine
brilla la gloria de Dios. Aleluya! shines the glory of God. Alleluia!

El cielo canga alegría, Aleluya! Heaven is singing for joy, Alleluia!
Porque en tu vida y la mía Because in your life and mine are
nos une el amor de Dios. Aleluya! one in the love of God. Alleluia!

El cielo canga alegría, Aleluya! Heaven is singing for joy, Alleluia!
Porque tu vida y la mía Because in your life and mine will
proclamarán al Señor. Aleluya! always proclaim the Lord. Alleluia!

arr. Ed Henderson ©2000 Earthsongs CCLI #207039

Prayer of Confession

**Almighty and merciful God, we confess that we have erred and
strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too
much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have ig-
nored your commandments and the law of love. We have left
undone those things which we ought to have done; and we
have done those things which we ought not to have done. O
Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive us as we humbly confess
our faults. Restore those who have repentant hearts, according
to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live holy,
just, and humble lives to the glory of your holy name.**

(Time of silence for personal prayer)

Assurance of Pardon

*Sung Response Hymn 765

**May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,**

bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace;
singing, share our joy with all;
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.

***Passing of the Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.
All: And also with you.

***Hymn 658 & 659**

*God is So Good
Know That God is Good*

Prayers of God's People & Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever.
Amen.

Scripture

Acts 2:42-47 ESV

⁴²And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Next week's passage: Isaiah 7:14; 9:6-7; 11:1-6

Sermon

*Koinonia: A Community
of Thanksgiving & Hope*
Pastor Graig Flach

***Doxology**

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Offertory Like a River in My Soul

*I've got peace like a river, like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river, soothing river, calmly flow.
When the world closes in, feel the stillness within.
I've got peace like a river, like a river in my soul.*

*I've got love like an ocean, like an ocean, in my soul.
I've got love like an ocean, endless ocean, deep and full.
When you're lost and alone, let the waves bring you home.
I've got love like an ocean, like an ocean in my soul.*

*I've got joy like a fountain, like a fountain in my soul.
I've got joy like a fountain in my soul.
When your hope nearly dies,
just remember, once again you shall rise!*

*I've got joy like a fountain,
love like an ocean,
peace like a river in my soul.*

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***Hymn 649** *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*

***Benediction**

Postlude *Now Thank We All Our God arr. Paul Manz*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Preaching: Pastor Graig Flach

Assisting: Pastor Susan Graham, Pastor Conley Zomermaand

Musicians: Sanctuary Choir directed by Wendy Bamonte; Mario Diaz, *guitar*; Sergio Carreno, *percussion*; Jeff Wood, *organ & piano*

A/V Production: Mark Alcalá, Spencer Hadduck

For pastoral and congregational care needs email
care@lakegrovepres.org, or leave a message in the Pastors'
voicemail box at 503-210-6062.

Let's connect! Join us in the Fellowship Hall for *Beanediction*, our coffee and fellowship ministry, after each service.

The **Deacon Food Pantry** needs the following food items: **Canned soup, chili, canned vegetables, and beans.** We are currently teaming up with Lake Oswego Hunger Fighters, who primarily serve Lake Oswego residents. Your generosity is making a difference. Thank you for doing what you can! *Our Deacon Pantry Drop box is located just off the Gathering Area in the hall near the coat rack.*

LGPCPrays

Prayer is the primary work of God's people. It is a vital connection to God where we can hear from, listen to, and respond to the Lord. Here are some ways you can pray this week...

Comfort for **Diane Gilbert and family** as they grieve the death of **Rod** on November 17th. His memorial will be held at Lake Grove on January 10th, at 11:00 am.

Comfort for the family of **Dale Sooter** who passed away on November 19th.

Comfort for **Derek & Jessica Vander Velde** as they grieve the death of Derek's father, **Lyle**.

Comfort for **Bucky Buckwalter and family** as they grieve the passing of **Paula**.

Comfort for **James Andrews and family** as they grieve the death of his mother.

MissionPartners

Local: Woodburn - Pray for the farmworker families in the Woodburn area, especially those with preschool-age children attending the day center we support. Pray for new volunteers from our church and for additional staffing needed by the day center. Praises for the clothing donations received from our Noah's Ark families; these items will be delivered to Woodburn tomorrow!

Global: World Vision - Please pray for the children and families of Muchila, Zambia; that lives are strengthened through our sponsorships there. Thank God for new clean water access.

If you would like to receive or be included on the weekly churchwide prayer chain, please email: prayer@lakegrovepres.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

A poster for a Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service. The background is a warm orange-brown color. It is decorated with various autumn-themed line drawings: pumpkins, corn cobs, acorns, sunflowers, leaves, a candle, a string of bunting, and a turkey. In the top right corner is the Lake Grove logo, which consists of a stylized 'G' inside a circle with the text 'LAKE GROVE' and 'FELLOWSHIP HALL' below it.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 | 6:30PM
PIE AFTER THE SERVICE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

A poster for Special Music Sunday. The background is a dark teal color. On the left is a stylized Christmas tree made of overlapping triangles in shades of yellow, orange, and red, with a star on top. The text is in a mix of bold sans-serif and elegant script fonts. The Lake Grove logo is in the top right corner.

Special Music Sunday

8:00 BLENDED | 9:30 MODERN
SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 30

Join us at the 8 AM Blended or 9:30 AM Modern worship service as special musical guests help us begin preparing for Christmas. Their music will echo the hope of God's promises proclaimed through the prophets this Advent season.

A poster for an Advent Kickoff Sunday Potluck. The background is white with a light green speckled pattern. The title is written in a mix of script and bold sans-serif fonts. A red fork is on the left and a red spoon is on the right, both with holly leaves and berries. The Lake Grove logo is in the top right corner.

Advent Kickoff SUNDAY POTLUCK

HOSTED BY LGK AND WOMEN'S MINISTRIES
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30 | AFTER 9:30 SERVICES
FELLOWSHIP HALL | BRING A DISH TO SHARE

A poster for a Men's Advent Breakfast. The background is a photograph of a person's legs wearing sandals on a sandy beach, with a red umbrella partially visible. The text is in white and dark red. The Lake Grove logo is in the top right corner.

MEN'S ADVENT BREAKFAST

Still Walking in Joseph's Sandals: Advent's Man of Faith

Saturday, December 6, 8-9:30 AM
Fellowship Hall

Seasonal Music, Fellowship, and Talk
by the Rev. Dr. Brian Craker



645 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

1 Sing praise to God who reigns a - bove, the God of all
 2 What God's al-might - y power has made God's gra - cious mer -
 3 The Lord is nev - er far a - way, but, through all grief
 4 Thus all my toil - some way a - long I sing a - loud

cre - a - tion, the God of power, the God of love,
 cy keep - eth; by morn - ing glow or eve - ning shade
 dis - tress - ing, an ev - er - pres - ent help and stay,
 thy prais - es, that all may hear the grate - ful song

the God of our sal - va - tion. With
 God's watch - ful eye ne'er sleep - eth. With -
 our peace and joy and bless - ing, as
 my voice un - wea - ried rais - es. Be

heal - ing balm my soul is filled, and ev - ery faith - less
 in the king - dom of God's might, lo! all is just and
 with a moth - er's ten - der hand God gent - ly leads the
 joy - ful in the Lord, my heart; both soul and bod - y,

mur - mur stilled:
 all is right: to God all praise and glo - ry!
 cho - sen band:
 take your part:

The regal divine imagery here will not be new to most singers, but some may not expect the third stanza's image of God as mother. Yet it is part of God's self-description in Isaiah 66:13. This Bohemian Brethren tune resembles both Genevan psalm tunes and French folk songs.

1 God is so good; God is so good;
 2 God cares for me; God cares for me;
 3 God loves me so; God loves me so;
 4 God is so good; God is so good;

God is so good; God's so good to me.
 God cares for me; God's so good to me.
 God loves me so; God's so good to me.
 God is so good; God's so good to me.

The exact origins of this chorus celebrating God's providential care are not clear, but it seems to have arisen during the 1970s. Because the text changes so little, the slowly rising four-note pattern of the tune provides the primary source of energy within its five-note range.

TEXT and MUSIC: Anon.

GOD IS SO GOOD
4.4.4.5

659 Know That God Is Good

Mungu ni mwema

1 Know that God is good. Know that
 2 Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le,
 Mu - ngu ni mwe - ma. Mu - ngu

God is good. Know that God is good;
 hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah,
 ni mwe - ma. Mu - ngu ni mwe - ma,

God is good; God is good.
 hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.
 ni mwe - ma, ni mwe - ma.

This engaging song from central Africa is based on an affirmation that recurs in numerous psalms (34:8; 73:1; 100:5; 135:3; 145:9) as well as several other books of the Hebrew Scriptures. Both the brief text (in English, Hebrew, and Shona) and the musical parts are easily learned.

TEXT: Democratic Republic of Congo
 MUSIC: Democratic Republic of Congo; arr. Edo Bumba, 1997
 Music Arr. © Edo Bumba

MUNGU NI MWEMA
5.5.5.3.3

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16–17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it “Faith’s Review and Expectation.” Much of its current popularity comes from this now-familiar tune, an association that began in 1835.

TEXT: Stanzas 1–4, John Newton, 1772; stanza 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790; Navaho, Albert Tsoie
 MUSIC: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1910, alt.

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