

#### MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.

10:00am – May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023

Children's Ministry (birth – 6<sup>th</sup> grade) available

Welcome/PrayerPastor JoshWorship in SingingWorship TeamBible TeachingPastor JohnWorship in SingingWorship Team

# **Special Upcoming Opportunities**

**LUNCH ON THE LAWN COMMUNITY OUTREACH:** Invite your friends, neighbors, co-workers & family to our outdoor Worship Services on 6/11; 7/9; 8/13; 9/10 on the lawn/pavilion. Sub sandwiches with GF/DF option. Rock Climbing Wall & Bounce House June 11<sup>th</sup>

MEN'S RETREAT @ CAMP OF THE WOODS Sept/29 – Oct/1 (3 Days 2 Night. SEE FLYER & ENROLL IN FOYER. \$200 covers lodging/meals, all activities & \$60 discount. Sign up in foyer w/2 other men (min 3 to a room). Main speaker: Frank Turek (apologist & author). Need roommates or a partial scholarship, see Pastor John. Deadline June 4th

**PLANTS/FOWERS WEEKLY WATERING TEAM:** Help keep flowers & plants thriving. Serve once a week that fits your schedule. Sign up in the foyer today to find out more. You'll be contacted for training/schedule.

**JOIN US FOR THE LORDS SUPPER/COMMUNION JUNE 4<sup>th</sup>.** A special time for baptized 'believers' in Christ to remember His sacrifice compelled by our need and His love. Parents, please guide your children.

**KID'S PLAYDATE:** Tues mornings 10-12pm (outdoors – bring trikes)

### Everyday Life at OAC

NEW GUESTS: Please visit the <u>Welcome Booth</u> in café after service to receive a gift! We also invite you to fill out the Connection Card (seat pocket in front of you) & drop in the box at the Booth in cafe.

**SPIRITUAL GROWTH:** "Where am I now with Jesus? What would help me to move forward with Him?" Whatever your answer, we'd love to partner with you! (resources, connections, etc.) website: /reaching

**BAPTISM:** Baptism is a special time to celebrate your journey of faith & obedience to Christ. Contact a pastor to tell of your interest.

**EVERYBODY SERVES:** Let us help you serve the Lord as you serve others; 30+ ways to make a difference! website: /ministries

PRAYER: Join with others on Sundays 9-9:40am and/or the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays 6:30pm in the last room on the left in the Education wing.

**GIVING OPTIONS**: 1) Drop in offering boxes by worship center doors 2) Check by mail. 3) Use link on website / app. website: /egiving

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# **God Are You There?!**

Psalm 13 (ESV)

- <sup>1</sup>How long, O LORD? Will you forget me forever?
   How long will you hide your face from me?
   <sup>2</sup> How long must I take counsel in my soul
   and have sorrow in my heart all the day?
   How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?
- Consider and answer me, O LORD my God;
   light up my eyes, lest I sleep the sleep of death,
   lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed over him,"

lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

- <sup>5</sup> But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.
- <sup>6</sup>I will sing to the LORD, because he has dealt bountifully with me.
- 1) Our <u>complaints</u> often flow from our <u>feelings</u>. vs1-2 They are real, but not always reliable.

- 2) Our <u>cries</u> for God's consideration are <u>welcomed</u>. vs3-4
  They reinforce our belief in Him despite our despondency.
- 3) Our <u>confidence</u> flows from His <u>reality</u> & past <u>reliability</u>.

### Jesus empathizes with our complaints, cries, and confidence.

"My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with Me. And going a little farther, He fell on His face and prayed: My Father if it be possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not My will, but your will be done." Mt 26:38-39 "And being in agony He prayed more earnestly; and His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground." Luke 22:44

"My God, my God why have you forsaken Me?" Mt 26:46
"Father, forgive them, they know not what they do". Luke 23:34
"Father, into your hands I commit My spirit!" Luke 23:46
"...He said: "It is finished", and He bowed His head and gave up His spirit. John 19:30