Wednesday Night Meals
5:30-6:15 pm
Adults $7 Children $3
Family Plan $20

November 4, 2026
Menu: Hamburger Steak w/Onions & Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Rolls, Assorted Desserts
Children's Menu: Sliders/Tater Tots
Shoppers: Laura Baird/Peggy Woodruff
Servers: Kaycee Hairston, Julie McDonald, Susan McQueen
Dishcloths: Server
Desserts: Grace Dickerson, Noel Dickerson, Paula Duren, Betty Entrekin, Candice Entrekin, LaNita Fisher

November 11, 2026
Menu: Chicken Spaghetti, Broccoli, Garden Salad, Texas Toast, Assorted Desserts
Children's Menu: Pizza and Salad
Shoppers: Fred/Jane Boudreaux
Servers: Kathy Neese, Dawn Nuss, Kathryn Phillips
Dishcloths: Server
Desserts: Kaycee Hairston, Tess Hammond, Laura Hojem, Jessie Holmes, Sharon Jones, Penny Kochtitzky

November 18, 2026
Menu: Ham, Macaroni and Cheese, Sweet Potatoes, Garden Salad, Biscuits, Assorted Desserts
Children's Menu: Chicken Nuggets/FF
Shoppers: Kaycee Hairston/Lori Terrill
Servers: Adelia Powe, Molly Reynolds, Heather Richardson
Dishcloths: Server
Desserts: Melinda Lucas, B.J. Mathias, Julie McDonald, Susan McQueen, Dawn Nuss, Jamie O'Quinn

...CELEBRATE...

ANNIVERSARIES
2 Bus & Jeanine Cook
7 Jonathan & Sarah Wilkerson
8 Larry & Peggy Bullion
16 Neil & Adelia Powe
19 Bob & Esther Attkisson
19 Bobby & Judy Brown
27 Fred & Jane Boudreaux
28 Eric & Ginny Reynolds

BIRTHDAYS
2 Jeanine Cook
2 Tori Shelton
5 Stephania Zeigler
7 Christy Dickerson
7 Raven Sterling
8 Janell Hagenson
9 Aidan Kelly
10 Joe Shelton
12 Joann Burks
14 Keith Mercer
15 Candice Entrekin
16 Kathryn Phillips
17 Charlie Gerald
17 Brody Sullivan
18 Teresa Viehweg
20 Brian Holmes
23 Joe Bazemore
23 Christian Smith
24 Bobby Brown
26 Peggy Woodruff
28 Sarah Fulmar
29 Scott Findley
29 Belinda Jo Mathias
29 Judah Mathias
29 Katherine Wilkerson



The above leaf on the Forrest General Cancer center Tree of Life was given in memory of Valerie Fine by the Founders of the Fuel to Fight Walk/Run.
From the Fuel to Fight Founders:
We wanted to recognize Oak Grove Church and honor Mrs. Fine's memory by ensuring she has a special place on our Tree of Life. It was a small gesture of our appreciation for your church's kindness and support of our cancer patients and community.
We are so thankful for Oak Grove Church and the difference you are making in the lives of others.
God Bless,
Shannon Vega, Coordinator



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...A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR...

As we approach Thanksgiving, then Advent and Christmas hot on its tail, I find myself thinking about Oak Grove Church and the calling God has given us together. These are some of the most meaningful weeks of the year. We gather with family and friends. We give thanks for God's blessings. We prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ, and then we celebrate once again the wonderful news that "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14). I hope these coming weeks will be more than just another busy holiday season for all of us and become instead a time when we each take another step in following Christ. Jesus said to His disciples, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19). Those words give us a simple picture of discipleship: we follow Jesus, Jesus changes us, and then Jesus uses us to reach others. That is my hope for us here at Oak Grove Church.

Thanksgiving invites us to stop and remember that the Scriptures tell us to "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). There's so much for us to be thankful for: family, friends, our church, our homes, and the many ways God provides for us. But more than anything else, we give thanks for Jesus Christ and the grace we have received through Him. True disciples remember what God has done. We recognize His faithfulness, and then tell others about His goodness.

Advent is a season of waiting and preparation. In a world that tells us to hurry up, Advent reminds us to slow down and pay attention to what God is doing in our lives. It's a great time to ask, "Am I really following Jesus? Is my life becoming more like His? Am I making room for Christ by spending time in Scripture, praying with family, worshiping faithfully, serving someone who is hurting, encouraging someone who is lonely, inviting someone to church, asking a friend, neighbor, or family member, 'How can I pray for you?'" Discipleship isn't complicated. Most of the time it is simply following Jesus faithfully in the ordinary moments of life.

And then there is Christmas, a time for hearing once again the angel's announcement: "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord" (Luke 2:11). The shepherds went to Bethlehem and encountered Jesus. But they didn't keep the news to themselves. The Bible tells us they "made known the saying that had been told them concerning this child" (Luke 2:17). They heard the good news. They came to Jesus. And then they told others. That is discipleship. We encounter Christ, we are changed by Christ, and then we help others encounter Christ.

As your pastor and shepherd, I believe my calling involves more than just caring for you during the difficult moments of life, preaching on Sunday mornings, and leading the ministries of the church. A shepherd also leads the flock somewhere. My prayer is that God will use me to help lead OGC closer to Jesus and toward greater maturing in Christ. I don't want us simply to be a church that people attend. I want Oak Grove to be a church where disciples are intentionally formed. I want us to be a church where children, youth, and adults are learning to follow Jesus, where mature believers are helping newer believers grow, and where each of us understands that Jesus has called us not only to be disciples, but also to make disciples.

As we journey through this season together, I invite you to prayerfully ask yourselves three questions: How am I following Jesus? How is Jesus changing me? Who am I helping to follow Him? This Thanksgiving let's remember His goodness. This Advent, let's follow Him more closely. This Christmas, let's share the good news of Jesus. And together, may we continue becoming the church Christ has called Oak Grove to be - disciples who are growing in Jesus and helping others follow Him. And friends, let me just say what a privilege it is to be your pastor and to follow Jesus alongside each of you.

Pastor Ted

...IN THE KNOW...

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1
Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed Saturday night.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY
Sunday, November 1 is All Saints Sunday. During worship, we will remember the lives of all the Saints who have gone before us this past year. This special day will be a time of celebration of the hope of resurrection that we share.

POINSETTIAS
Sunday, November 1 is the last day to order poinsettias to be placed in the sanctuary in memory/honor of someone for the Christmas season. Order forms are in the foyer. The cost is $15 each. Please make checks to MES Circle.

MEETINGS FOR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1
11 AM-TRUSTEES; 11 AM-MISSIONS; 11 AM-OUTREACH; 4 PM-WORSHIP

MEN'S CLUB
All men are invited to Men's Club on Monday, November 2 at 6 pm in the Family Life Center.

SECOND SUNDAY BREAKFAST
Join us for breakfast, compliments of Men's Club, on Sunday, November 8 from 8-9:45 am in the FLC. Enjoy a delicious breakfast and fellowship before Sunday School and Worship.

THE BLESSING TREE AND BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS
The Blessing Tree will be placed in the foyer on Sunday, November 8. Thank you for supporting our Missions Blessing Tree as we assist the families of our Food Pantry recipients with Christmas gifts. Names of the children will be on the tree for you to choose. Complete instructions will be available by the Blessing Tree. The gifts will be given to the children at the Birthday Party for Jesus on Saturday, December 12 from 9:30-11:30 am in the FLC. Missions Committee members are available to answer any questions you may have.

CANCER COMPANIONS
Cancer Companions (CC) is an OGC Support Group tailored specifically for cancer patients and their caregivers. CC meets on the second and fourth Friday at 10:30 am int he church parlor. In November we will only meet on the 13th.

THANKSGIVING DINNER
The MES Circle annual Thanksgiving Dinner is Sunday, November 15 from 11 am until 1:30 pm. Come get a delicious meal with all the trimmings for $10 per plate. (6 yrs and up) Dine in or Drive Thru. You may also preorder a pan of dressing for $20. There is an order sheet in the office.

CHARGE CONFERENCE
You are invited to our Hattiesburg Charge Conference on Sunday, November 15 at 3 pm at Collins Methodist Church.

NURSING HOME VISITATION
Congregational Care will be visiting the area nursing homes on Saturday, November 21. They invite you to join them at the church at 9:30 am to go.

TIME TO DECORATE
On Sunday, November 22, at 2 pm, the ladies will begin decorating for the Advent/Christmas season. All help is greatly appreciated.

THANKSGIVING SCHEDULE
The church office will be closed Wednesday, November 25- Friday, November 27 for Thanksgiving. There will be no Wednesday meal or activities on November 25.

CHURCH NIGHT OUT
On Thursday, December 3, the Men's Club invites you to Church Night Out at the Magnolia Grille in Columbia at 6 pm. This is a great night to enjoy some good food and great fellowship. We need to know how many are coming, so if you will contact the church office by December 1, we would greatly appreciate it. We will order from the menu and each party is responsible for your own bill.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA
Join the Oak Grove Church as they present *And On Earth Peace* on Sunday, December 6 at 6 pm.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
Join our Oak Grove Children as they present *Joy to the World* on Sunday, December 13 at 6 pm.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
Join us for our Christmas Eve Family Worship and Candlelight Service at 6 pm.







Youth

1 SS 9A : Worship 10A: Youth 5:30-7P
4 Dinner 5:30P: Youth 6:30-7:30P
8 8-9:30A Breakfast FLC: SS 9A: Worship 10A: Youth 5:30-7P
11 Dinner 5:30P: Youth 6:30-7:30P
15 MES Thanksgiving Dinner: Youth helps
18 Dinner 5:30P: Youth 6:30-7:30P
22 SS 9A: Worship 10A: Youth meet 3-6P to make pies for Food Pantry for Thanksgiving
25 No Wednesday Night
29 SS 9A: Worship 10A: No Youth



College/Young Adults

1 College/Young Adult SS 9A
2 Mo'Bay Coffee College Group 7P
4 Wed Night Dinner and Bible Study
8 College/Young Adult SS 9A
9 Mo'Bay Coffee College Group 7P
11 Wed Night Dinner and Bible Study
15 Volunteer with MES Thanksgiving Meal
18 Wed Night Dinner and Bible Study
22 College/Young Adult SS 9A
25 No Wednesday Night
29 College/Young Adult SS 9A
30 Worship Night 7P: Location TBA