

“After Dark: The Life and Times of John Calvin” is a dramatic enactment of the life of John Calvin, a part of the heritage of everyone who loves the Reformed faith. The presenter is Rev. Stan Sturing who first gave this at the International Calvin Congress in Grand Rapids. This presentation will be at Holland Christian High School October 29, 30, and 31 at 4:30 PM with cider and donut holes on “Main Street.” Donations appreciated; students free. There is a flyer on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Desiring Truth Seminars: The CRC in conjunction with Westminster Seminary in Philadelphia would like to start a new conference (currently intended to be an annual event) here in Holland called “Desiring Truth.” Our goal is to put God’s truth on display and let it shine in the darkness, particularly in areas where there is current cultural debate and confusion. We’re excited to announce that the first event will be October 20-21 – a Friday evening and Saturday morning – discussing “Sexual Identity in Scripture.”

Friday evening will be a “Civil Discourse” between Rev. Stephen Terpstra (Borculo CRC in Zeeland) and Rev. Ryan Schreiber (Grace CRC in Grand Rapids), moderated by Rev. Dr. David Filson from Westminster.

Saturday morning will be “Seminary-on-a-Saturday” – two lectures and some Q&A on the same topic from a biblical Reformed perspective by David Filson.

Registration details are below. There is a poster located on the bulletin board in the narthex for more information. Here are links to the X and Facebook promotions:

- <https://fb.watch/nqPuhOCTrr/>
- <https://twitter.com/WestminsterTS/status/1707556277067411802>

Elder Assignments and Districts					
Mike Ver Beek	2026	Youth Ministries		D. Arendsen – L. Christiansen	
Steve Bosman	2024	Adult Ministries, Pulpit Supply		Cl. Compagner- D. Helder	
Bob Dozeman	2025	Recording Clerk		Lisa Hertz -B. Kruithof	
Andy Helder	2025	Membership Clerk, Fellowship & Service		K. Kruithof-J. Rozeboom	
Glenn Dozeman	2024	Worship		J. Rush – C. Van Dam	
Mike Hoeksema	2026	Vice President, Missions & Evangelism		K. Van Dam - T. Zoerhof	

Deacon Assignments and Districts					
Anthony Nelson	2026	Building & Grounds		D. Arendsen – L. Christiansen	
Josh Schrotenboer	2024	Chairman of the Deacons		Cl. Compagner-D. Helder	
Neil Tanis	2025	Mission/Mercy Fund Treasurer		Lisa Hertz-B. Kruithof	
Frank Taylor	2025	General / Building Treasurer		K. Kruithof-J. Rozeboom	
Mitch Van Dyk	2024	Assistant Treasurer/ Covenant Giving Plan		J. Rush – C. Van Dam	
Mitchell Slagh	2026	Zeeland Diaconal / Growing Hope Globally		K. Van Dam – T. Zoerhof	

Custodians Randy and Barb Ver Beek – (616) 218-9956

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

4460 38th Street, Hamilton, MI 49419

Morning Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Evening Worship 6:00 PM



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Oakland Christian Reformed Church
Sunday, October 15, 2023
Welcome to worship!

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	9:50 AM	Children in Worship
	10:45 AM	Sunday School, Catechism, Adult Sunday School
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
	7:15 PM	Fellowship Bible Study at the Branch
Monday	7:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study
Wednesday	5:15-6:30 PM	Oasis
	6:30 PM	Cadets/ GEMS
	6:30-8:00 PM	Evangelism Training
	6:45 PM	Men’s Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting at Branch
Next Sunday	9:30 AM	Scripture: Psalm 150
		Title: <i>Praise Him! Praise Him!</i>
	Offering:	Oakland CRC Ministries / Growing Hope Globally
	6:00 PM	Scripture: Exodus 32:1-33:6
		Title: <i>Loving God Enough by Worshiping Only Him</i>
		Offering: Harvest Stand Ministries

Serving in Ministry	Today – 10/15	Next Sunday – 10/22
Nursery – AM	Kacie Kruithof, Johanna Nelson, Chelsea Kruithof	Ruth Busscher, Rose Kruithof, Nicky Nelson
Nursery – PM	Melanie Groenheide, Ginger Hill	Abby Busscher, Julie Hoeve
Safety Team	Mark Busscher	Dan Bosch
Refreshments	Tara Kruithof	Ruth Busscher
Weekend Custodian	Mitch and Sara Van Dyk	Jason and Pam Nyhof
Children in Worship Leader	Katie Baker	Shanna Arendsen
Children in Worship Helpers	Susan Jones, Kaylee DeJonge	Amber VZ./Chelsea K.
Sunday School Cookies	Jackie Bosch	Tobi Hoeker
Sunday School Security	Brad Slenk, Pam Nyhof	Ryan Bosch/Tanya Van Dyke

Happy Birthday: 17th Jody Rietsma, Jacob Schout (16), 18th Jean Meyaard (85), Ike Schrotenboer (9), 19th Stephanie Smit, 20th Tara Kruithof, 21st Andy Helder

Happy Anniversary: 15th Larry and Alma Myaard (19), Mitch and Jordan Redder (12), 17th Ken and Mindy Hulst (37)

Prayer Items for this week:

Jill Van Dam will be having right hip replacement surgery on Tuesday. Pray that the surgery is successful.
Carol Myaard will be meeting with the oncologist on Wednesday, October 18 to figure out the next steps in her uterine cancer journey. Pray for wisdom and strength for Carol.

Pastor Appreciation: October is Pastor Appreciation Month. There is a box for cards, in the narthex or you may place them directly into Pastor Mark’s mailbox.

Fellowship Bible Study will be meeting this evening after the service. They will be meeting in the Branch. Fellowship Bible Study meets every third Sunday. All are welcome.

Youth Group Leaders Needed: We are still looking for youth group leaders to come alongside Ken and Mindy Hulst. It would be nice if 2 couples or 4 individuals would be willing to help. If you are willing to be a youth group leader this year or have any questions, please see Pastor Mark.

Oasis: Oasis is still in need of a few desserts for this Wednesday. Serving and kitchen help - please wear a hat! Any questions see Brenda Flokstra.

Everyday Evangelism – Linking People to Jesus
The Outreach Team is planning Evangelism training for Wednesday nights, October 18, 25, and November 1, from 6:30-8:00pm. The training will be led by Resonate Global Mission. Please sign up on the sheet in the back of the church so we can know how many to plan on for materials and seating. Everyone is welcome!

Oakleaf Materials: are due to Jody’s mailbox next Sunday and to the church email next Monday. Thank you.

Prime Timers: On Wednesday, October 25 (note date change) we will be having lunch at 11:30 AM followed by games at the Branch. There is a signup sheet in the narthex. Any questions see Ruth or Linda.

From the Deacons: There are copies of the year end financial statements on the shelf in the narthex. Any questions see one of the deacons.

Morning Order of Worship
October 15, 2023 - 9:30 a.m.

REJOICING IN THE LORD

Prelude, Welcome and Call to Worship - Psalm 73:1-6

*Opening Hymn of Worship

Lift Up Your Hearts #575, vs. 1, 3, 4 - *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting

APPROACHING THE LORD

Call to Confession - Psalm 32:1-5

Prayer of Confession

*Hymn of Assurance

Lift Up Your Hearts #167, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

God's Will for Our Lives - Ephesians 6:10-20 (page 1824)

Voices of Praise *O Church, Arise*

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for Oakland CRC Ministries / Building and Renovation Fund

Children in Worship Dismissal (3 years old - Kindergarten) - Lesson / The Birth of Moses

LISTENING TO THE LORD

*Hymn of Preparation

Lift Up Your Hearts #561, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *I Will Extol You, O My God*

Scripture: Psalm 145 (page 979)

Message: ***Sharing the Truths***

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application

Lift Up Your Hearts #562, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 - *We Will Extol You, God and King*

LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology

Worship His Majesty #466 - *Thank You, Lord (2x)*

*Postlude

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande

Organist: Deb De Young

Pianist: Melissa Prins

**Please stand, if able*

Morning Message Outline
Psalm 145
Sharing the Truths

Introduction

1. Who God Is

A. He Is _____

B. He Is _____

C. He Is _____

D. He Is _____

E. He Is _____

F. He _____

G. He Is _____

H. He Is _____

I. He Is _____

2. What We Will Do

A. We Will _____

B. We Will _____

C. We Will _____

Conclusion

Evening Order of Worship
October 15, 2023 - 6:00 p.m.

A TIME OF PRAISE

Prelude, Welcome and Call to Worship - Isaiah 43:1-3a

*Opening Song of Worship

Worship His Majesty #663, vs. 1, 2, 4 - *Redeemed*

*God's Greeting

TIME OF FAITH

Scripture: Isaiah 40:25-31 (page 1121)

Songs of Response

Lift Up Your Hearts #558, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *O Praise God's Name Together*

*Lift Up Your Hearts #585, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 - *With Grateful Heart My Thanks I Bring*

*Apostles' Creed (page 813)

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for Harvest Stand Ministries

A TIME OF LEARNING

*Song of Preparation

Worship His Majesty #96, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *The Love of God*

Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 34, Q&A 94-95 (page 905)

Scripture: Isaiah 44:6-23 (page 1128); Romans 1:16-32 (page 1747)

Message: ***Loving God Enough to Be Exclusive with Him***

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application

Lift Up Your Hearts #626, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *Cast Down, O God, the Idols*

A TIME OF LIVING

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology

Lift Up Your Hearts #601, vs. 1, 4 - *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

*Postlude

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande

Organist: Deb De Young

Pianist: Connie Duimstra

**Please stand, if able*

Evening Message Outline
Lord's Day 34, Q&A 94-95; Isaiah 44:6-23; Romans 1:16-32
Loving God Enough to Be Exclusive with Him

Introduction

1. God Is _____

2. God Is _____

3. God Has a _____ Relationship with _____

4. God Is the Only _____

5. God Is Not _____

Conclusion