

**Community Announcement:** It's time for the Christmas Home Tour! On Saturday, December 7th, come spend your day exploring Oakland's finest Christmas decorations. From 10:00-3:00, you can tour tastefully decorated new, old, and remodeled homes. There will be Christmas Market crafts, baked goods, holiday treats, games, Christmas giveaways, and more. Be sure to bring your cash! You will find everything you need to get your holiday started, and maybe even pick up a few gifts along the way. Each home hosts a special activity, and lunch will be available for purchase at two of the homes. Proceeds will benefit the Ahadi Mission Trip 2025 participants from our church (Abby and Ruth Busscher, Jody Rietsma, Tanya and Natalie Van Dyke). Tickets can still be purchased and will also be available the day of the event at any of the homes. Snag a friend and join us for a festive kickoff to the holiday season, all while supporting a great cause. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions or would like to purchase tickets, see an adult trip participant, Tara Kruithof, or Tobi Hoeker.

**Join Us for a Holiday Hymn Sing!**

Jack Ten Cate will be leading a holiday hymn sing for area senior adults on December 12, 2024. The event will begin at 1:00 PM and will be held at Hamilton Reformed Church. A time of fellowship with refreshments will follow the hymn sing. Save the date and invite your friends! If you have questions, please call the church at (269) 751-5145.

**Elder Assignments and Districts**

Mike Ver Beek	2026	Youth Ministries	D. Arendsen – N. Busscher
Bob Rynsburger	2027	Worship, Adult Ministries	
		Missions/ Evangelism, Pulpit Supply	E. Byrne – T. Flokstra
Bob Dozeman	2025	Recording Clerk	B. Gauthier - C. Kornstadt
Andy Helder	2025	Membership, Fellowship & Service	E. Kroll- M. Redder
Matt Brower	2027	Covenant Giving	T. Rietsma – L. Van Dam
Mike Hoeksema	2026	Vice President	Larry Van Dam - T. Zoerhof

**Deacon Assignments and Districts**

Anthony Nelson	2026	Building & Grounds	D. Arendsen – N. Busscher
Chase Van Dam	2027	Mission/Mercy Fund Treasurer	E. Byrne – T. Flokstra
Neil Tanis	2025	Chairman of the Deacons	B. Gauthier - C. Kornstadt
Frank Taylor	2025	General / Building Treasurer	E. Kroll- M. Redder
Mitch Redder	2027	Asst. Treasurer	T. Rietsma – L. Van Dam
Mitchell Slagh	2026	Kingdom Ministries	Larry Van Dam - T. Zoerhof

**Oakland Christian Reformed Church**

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



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**Oakland Christian Reformed Church**  
**Sunday November 24, 2024**  
**Come and worship!**

**Calendar**

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	9:50 AM	Children in Worship
	10:45 AM	Sunday School and Catechism
	5:45 PM	THRIVE
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Monday	7:00 PM	Ladies Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Education Committee Meeting
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Building and Grounds Comm. Meeting
Wednesday	9:30 AM	Senior Women's Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Youth Group Friendsgiving
Thursday	9:30 AM	Thanksgiving Day Service
		Scripture: Exodus 16:16-40
		Title: <b>Thanksgiving in Stocks and Bonds</b>
Next Sunday	9:30 AM	Scripture: Exodus 15:1-21
		Title: <b>Moses' Song</b>
		Offering: OCRC Ministries/Building & Renovation Fund
	6:00 PM	Scripture: Romans 8:35-39
		Title: <b>Always Connected</b>
		Offering: City on a Hill

Serving in Ministry	Today 11/24	Next Sunday 12/1
Nursery - AM	Megyn Schout, Kim Vande Zande, Chelsea Kruithof	Gabby Brouwer, Megyn Schout, Molly McCarty
Nursery - PM	Rose Kruithof, Stephanie Smit	Melanie Groenheide, Marcia Ver Beek
Safety Team	Mitchell Slagh	Andy Helder
Children in Worship Leader	Katie Baker	Shanna Arendsen
Children in Worship Helpers	Cassie Helder, Sophie Jones	Carrie Bosch, Shelby Nelson
Sunday School Refreshments	Randi Prins	Jordan Redder
Sunday School Security	Sara Van Dyk, Greg Van Dyke	None Scheduled
Refreshments	Tara Kruithof	Ginger Hill and Linda Kennell
Weekend Custodians	Ryan and Allison Kruithof	Ryan and Allison Kruithof

**Ushers for December: AM** John Dozeman, Ryan Kruithof, Larry Myaard  
**PM** Mitchell Hoeksema, Lary Kruithof, Ross Schreur

**Thanksgiving Day Service Ministry Helpers Nursery:** Ruth Busscher, Jody Rietsma, Kirstyn Kruithof  
**Security:** Steve Bosman, **Power Point:** Andrew Bosch,  
**Cameras:** John Dozeman, Glenn Dozeman **Offering:** Mercy fund, Mission fund, Samaritans Purse, Growing Hope Globally, Allendale Family Life Center.

**Happy Birthday:** 24<sup>th</sup> Jim Vellenga (79), 26<sup>th</sup> Alyssa DeJonge (16), 27<sup>th</sup> Rietta Ver Beek (94), 28<sup>th</sup> Chantel Taylor, 29<sup>th</sup> Danika DeJonge (9), Brian Flokstra

**Happy Anniversary:** 28<sup>th</sup> Marty and Missy Weerstra (26)

**Prayers for the week:** We give thanks that Barb Ver Beek and Jerald Engelsman who are home from the hospital. Pray that God will continue to strengthen them.

**Bulletin announcement deadline:** announcements for December 1 are due to the office by 9 AM on Tuesday November 26.

**Youth Group** will meet on Wednesday for Friendsgiving.

**Holiday Home Tour** There is a sign up to ride the Oakland bus for the Holiday Home Tour. You must sign up! There is a holiday bus agenda for times and homes we will visit! Questions, contact Brenda Flokstra.

**World Renew Chicken Offerings:** During this month, the Sunday School children are collecting money to purchase chickens. The cost per chicken is three dollars. This money will be going to World Renew for the purchase of the chickens. So far, we have purchased 133 chickens. Parents, please remember to have your children bring money. Members of Oakland, if you would like to support this cause, you can give your money either to Sara Van Dyk, Pam Nyhof or Todd Zoerhof.

**Reminder:** Julie Duimstra will be doing the janitorial duties at the Branch for the next few months.

**Prime Timers:** There is a sign-up sheet for the bus trip to Baker Book House, lunch and Horrocks. We will be meeting at church at 10:45 AM on December 11. Any questions see Ruth Kruithof or Linda Kennell.

**Parents of Sunday School children:** Christmas Program practice begins next Sunday! Please continue to work with your kids on reviewing their lines. If you have any questions, please reach out to Marissa Compagner or Melanie Groenheide.

Morning Order of Worship  
November 24, 2024 - 9:30 a.m.

**REJOICING IN THE LORD**

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship      Psalm 103:1-4

\*Opening Hymn of Worship    *The Praise Is Yours*

\*God's Greeting

\*Scripture                      1 Peter 1:3-9

\*Hymn of Praise                *How Great Thou Art/Until That Day*

**APPROACHING THE LORD**

God's Will for our Lives      Colossians 3:1-10, 1 Peter 1:13-21

Prayer of Confession

\*Hymn of Assurance          *Amazing Grace/My Chains Are Gone*

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for Oakland CRC / Growing Hope Globally

Children in Worship Dismissal (3 - Kind.) - David and Goliath

**LISTENING TO THE LORD**

\*Hymn of Preparation        *Jerusalem the Golden*

Scripture: Revelation 21:1-22:6 (page 1938)

Message: ***The Leaves and Trees in the Heavenly Garden***  
***(Series: By the Field)***

Prayer of Application

\*Hymn of Application        *Hymn of Heaven*

**LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD**

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Doxology                      *How Great Thou Art/Until That Day*

\*Postlude

**Worship Participants**

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande

Worship Team

*\*Please stand, if able*

Morning Message Outline

Revelation 21:1-22:6

***The Leaves and Trees in the Heavenly Garden***  
***(Series: By the Field)***

Introduction

1. The Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

A. Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

B. Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

C. Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

D. Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

E. Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

2. The Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

A. A Perfect \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_

B. A Perfect \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_

C. Perfect \_\_\_\_\_

Conclusion

Evening Order of Worship  
November 24, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.

**A TIME OF PRAISE**

Prelude, Welcome and Call to Worship - John 4:24

\*Opening Song of Worship

WHM #291, vs. 1, 2 - *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

\*God's Greeting

**A TIME OF FAITH**

Canons of Dort - Main Point 3/4, Articles 6-9 (page 937)

Hymn of Response

LUYH #745, vs. 1, 2 - *Dwell in Me, O Blessed Spirit*

Canons of Dort - Main Point 3/4, Articles 10-14 (page 938)

Hymn of Response

LUYH #747, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

Canons of Dort - Main Point 3/4, Articles 15-17 (page 939)

\*Hymn of Response

LUYH #618, 1, 3, 4 - *Spirit of God, Who Dwells Within My Heart*

\*Heidelberg Catechism, Lord's Day 1 (page 861)

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for Harvest Stand Ministries

**A TIME OF LEARNING**

Scripture: Romans 8:1-17 (page 1756)

Message: ***Controlled by the Spirit***

Prayer of Application

\*Hymn of Application

LUYH #262, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *I Love to Tell the Story*

**A TIME OF LIVING**

\*God's Parting Blessing

\*Doxology - LUYH #956 - *To God Be the Glory*

\*Postlude

**Worship Participants**

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande

Organist: Deb De Young

Pianist: Ruth Busscher

*\*Please stand, if able*

Evening Message Outline  
Romans 8:1-17  
***Controlled by the Spirit***

Introduction

**When God Offers the Gift of Faith to the Elect,  
it is an Irresistible Offer.**

1. We Have a Special \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_  
\* \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_
2. We Have \_\_\_\_\_ Through \_\_\_\_\_
3. We Have a Different \_\_\_\_\_
4. We Have \_\_\_\_\_ Life
5. We Have an \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. To \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. To Give \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. To \_\_\_\_\_ Each Other
  - D. To \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_
  - E. To \_\_\_\_\_ the Good \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_
  - F. To Be \_\_\_\_\_
  - G. To Use Our \_\_\_\_\_

Conclusion