

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

General Information

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated on the second Sunday of Feb., June, Sept., and Dec., and on Good Friday.

The sacrament of baptism is administered upon request.

Missionaries

- Navy Chann-Chhay & Ly Chhay – Resonate Global Mission (Cambodia)
- Rev. Huascar de la Cruz – ReFrame Ministries (Mexico)
- Scott and Marcia Geurink – Resonate Global Mission (Michigan)
- John and Kim Gryglewicz – Resonate Global Mission (Haiti)
- Steve and Kim Holtrop – Resonate Global Mission (Nicaragua)
- Rev. Dr. Mike Johnson – Ascending Leaders (Texas)
- Ricardo Tranquini – My Father’s House Christian Community (Fennville, MI)
- Sovann Neth – World Renew (Cambodia)



Oakland Christian Reformed Church
Sunday December 22, 2024
O Come Let Us Adore Him!

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	4:45 PM	Choir Practice
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Wednesday	9:30 AM	Christmas Day Service Scripture: Luke 2:1-20 Title: The Angel's Song Offering: Salvation Army
Thursday	7:00 PM	Prayer meeting at the Branch
Next Sunday	9:30 AM	Scripture: Matthew 2:1-12 Title: The King of Christmas Offering: OCRC Ministries/Missionary Support
	6:00 PM	Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Title: The Bible: God's Word Past, Present and Future Offering: Solid Rock Ministries

Serving in Ministry	Today 12/22	Next Sunday 12/29
Nursery - AM	Julie Duimstra, Tara Kruithof, Zoey Van Dyke	Abby Busscher, Sadie Van Dam, Nicky Nelson
Nursery - PM	Carrie Bosch Ruth Kruithof	Connie Duimstra, Megyn Schout
Safety Team	Anthony Nelson	Brian Kruithof
Refreshments	Pastor Mark and Kim	Melanie and Marissa
Weekend Custodians	Matt and Randi Prins	Brad and Katie Slenk

Christmas Day Serving in Ministry

Security: Mike Ver Beek

Nursery: Rose Kruithof, Chantel Taylor, Hailley Nelson

Happy Birthday: 24th Lincoln Hoeker (8), Alma Myaard (75), 28th Kim Vande Zande

Happy Anniversary: 22nd Anthony and Johanna Nelson (14),
23rd Larry and Dawn Christiansen (23), 27th Tom and Dar Pettinga (52)

Prayers for the week:

John Wiersma had a bile duct obstruction that brought him to the hospital this week. Pray that the obstruction and any pain and discomfort will soon be gone.

Jerry Rush had right foot surgery on Friday. Pray that God will give Jerry a complete recovery from this surgery.

Continue to pray for Duane and Bonnie Arendsen and their family as Bonnie is under the care of Hospice.

Please pray for Barb Ver Beek and Rick Hulst as they go through treatment for cancer.

Next Sunday: Our services will be led by Rev. Doug Fauble. Pastor Mark has his quarterly Sunday off.

From the Christian School Society: Another year is quickly approaching! If you would like to support us by signing up for a weekend of janitor duties, there is a calendar in the narthex. Please sign up by January 5. If you have any questions, please talk to Ryan or Jackie Bosch. Thank you for your ongoing support!

From The Outreach Leadership Team: A tree has been set up in the main narthex with index cards & clips to write prayer requests. Please write the first name only of the person in need of prayer & optionally add text about the specific prayer request. The Outreach Team and Thursday night prayer group will intentionally pray for these individuals. The names and prayer requests will not be shared on the prayer line or the daily prayer email. At the end of the Christmas season, the tree will come down and all church members may take any index card to continue praying for that individual. For any index card not taken, the prayer team will continue praying for these individuals.

From Drenthe CRC: Please join us for a combined New Year's Day worship service on January 1 at 9:30 AM at Drenthe CRC. Rev. Gary DeKoekoek will lead the service, and the offering will be for Parkview Home.

Morning Order of Worship
December 22, 2024 - 9:30 a.m.
Fourth Sunday of Advent!

REJOICING IN THE LORD

Prelude
Welcome
Call to Worship - Psalm 98:1-3
*Opening Hymn of Worship *Joy to the World*
*God's Greeting

APPROACHING THE LORD

God's Will for Our Lives 1 Corinthians 13
Prayer of Confession
*Song of Assurance *Emmanuel (Hallowed Manger Ground)*
Children's Message - We light the candle of Hope, Peace, Joy, Love
Ministry of Music *Because of Bethlehem*
Congregational Prayer
Offerings for Oakland CRC / Growing Hope Globally

LISTENING TO THE LORD

Scripture: Revelation 4-5 (page 1917)
Message: ***Heaven's Song (Series: Redemption Songs)***
Prayer of Application
*Hymn of Application *Crown Him (Christmas)/Holy Forever*

LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*God's Parting Blessing
*Doxology *Crown Him (Christmas)*
*Postlude

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande
Worship Team **Please stand, if able*

Morning Message Outline
Revelation 4-5
Heaven's Song (Series: Redemption Songs)

Verse #1 - Who God Is

1. God Is _____
2. God Is _____
3. God Is _____

Verse #2 - What God Has Done

1. God _____ All _____
2. God _____ All _____ by His _____

Verse #3 - What the Lamb of God Has Done

1. The Lamb _____
2. _____ Comes
3. The Lamb Gave Us a Great _____

Hymn of Response *Made for More*

Verse #4 - The Worth of the Lamb

Verse #5 - Praise to God and to the Lamb

Verse #6 - The Stamp of Approval

A SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS
December 22, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

Prelude
Welcome
Call to Worship - Isaiah 52:7-10
*Opening Song of Praise
*Carol

LUYH #76, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

*God's Greeting

First Lesson – All Creation Is Filled with Joy

Psalm 148

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Carol:

LUYH #581, vs. 1, 2 - *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Second Lesson – Joy is Lost

Genesis 3

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

*Carol:

LUYH #88, vs. 1, 4 - *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

Third Lesson – Joy Is Promised

Psalm 98

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Carol

Voices of Praise *Our Hope Is in Emmanuel*

Fourth Lesson – Joy is Prophesied

Lesson: Isaiah 9:1-7

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Carol

LUYH #56, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 - *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Fifth Lesson – Joy is Born

Lesson: Luke 2:1-7

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Carol

Voices of Praise

Christ Is Born in Bethlehem

Sixth Lesson – Joy is Received

Lesson: Luke 2:8-14

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Offering for Gateway Mission

Carols during the offering:

LUYH #82, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *Angels We Have Heard on High*

Seventh Lesson – Joy is Proclaimed

Lesson: Luke 2:15-20

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Carol

LUYH #93, vs. 1, 2 - *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Eighth Lesson – Joy is Expressed

Lesson: Matthew 2:1-12

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Carol

LUYH #105, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *As with Gladness Men of Old*

Ninth Lesson – Joy Reigns Forever

Lesson: Revelation 19:1-10

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Message: *The Wedding Song (Series: Redemption Songs)*

1. The Right _____

2. The Right _____

3. The Right _____

Prayer of Application

*Carols

LUYH #92, vs. 1 - *Joy to the World*

LUYH #80, vs. 1 - *Hark! the Herald Angels Sing*

LUYH #86, vs. 1 - *Away in a Manger*

Voices of Praise *Peace, Peace*

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology

LUYH #81, vs. 5 - *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

*Postlude

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande

Organist: Julie Compagner

Pianists: Melissa Prins, Dawn Van Dam

**Please stand, if able*



LESSONS
AND
Carols

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

December 22, 2024 - 6:00 p.m.