

Elder Assignments and Districts

Pastor Vern Swieringa - President

Lloyd Zoerhof	2020	Missions & Evangelism Liaison.....	A. Arendsen – L. Brower
Ken Hulst	2021	Youth Ministries Liaison, Worship Liaison,.....	M. Brower – G. Duimstra
Brian Kruithof	2022	Recording Clerk.....	T. Dykstra – D. Hulst
Mark Busscher	2022	Vice President, Search Committee.....	G Hulst – M. Myaard
Dennis Bosch	2021	Adult Ministries Liaison, Pulpit Supply.....	J. Nyhof – P. Van Dam
Tim Bauman	2020	Membership & Visitation Clerk, Fellowship & Service.....	W. Van Dam - T. Zoerhof

Deacon Assignments and Districts

Jason Nyhof	2020	Missions / Mercy Treasurer.....	A. Arendsen – L. Brower
Dave Duimstra	2021	Building & Grounds Liaison, Covenant Giving Plan.....	M. Brower – G. Duimstra
Ross Schreur	2022	Zeeland Diaconal / Growing Hope Globally.....	T. Dykstra – D. Hulst
George Engelsman	2022	Assistant to the Treasurer.....	G. Hulst – M. Myaard
Ryan Bosch	2021	General / Building Treasurer.....	J. Nyhof – P. Van Dam
Curt Schout	2020	Chairman of Deacons.....	W. Van Dam – T. Zoerhof

Ministries, Contact Persons, Schedules

Sunday Men’s Group	Dan Bosch.....	1 st and 3 rd Sundays at 7:30 AM
Children in Worship	Katie Baker.....	Sundays at 9:50 AM
Sunday School	Todd Zoerhof, 3 yrs. – 5 th Grade.....	Sundays at 10:40 AM
Catechism	Ken Hulst, Liaison, 6 th – 12 th Grade.....	Sundays at 10:45 AM
Adult Sunday School	Janice VerMerris.....	Sundays at 10:55 AM
Voices of Praise	Beth DeYoung, Dawn Van Dam.....	Sundays at 4:30 PM
Open Bible Study	Mike and Marcia Ver Beek.....	1 st Sunday at 7:15 PM
Fellowship Bible Study	Dick and Mary Hilbink.....	3 rd Sunday at 7:15 PM
Family Life Ministries	Allison Kruithof, Krista Schout.....	Sundays at 10:45 AM
Thrive	John and Heidi Dozeman.....	2 nd & 4 th Sundays at 5:45 PM
Ladies’ Bible Study	Rhonda Bosman.....	1 st and 3 rd Mondays at 7:00 PM
Office Bearers	Elders, Deacons, Council.....	Once a month respectively at 6:30, 7:00 and 8:30 PM
Ladies’ Project Day	Ruth Busscher, Jody Rietsma.....	2 nd Wednesdays at 10:30 AM
Men’s Bible Study	Pastor Vern.....	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays at 6:45 PM
Priscilla Circle	Pastor Vern.....	2 nd & 4 th Wednesdays at 9:30 AM
Oakland Oasis	Krista Schout.....	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays at 5:30 PM
Youth Group	Stacy and Susan Jones, Dave and Tobi Hoeker.....	2 nd & 4 th Wednesdays at 7:00 PM
Cadets	Tom Flokstra.....	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays at 6:30 PM
GEMS	Shanna Arendsen.....	1 st & 3 rd Wednesdays at 6:30 PM
Prime Timers	Judi Blauwkamp, Ruth Kruithof.....	As Announced
Power Point	Jordan Redder	
Sound	Ken Hibma	

General Information

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated the second Sunday of Feb., June, Sept., and Dec. and on Good Friday.
The sacrament of baptism is administered upon request. Contact the Elders.



— SECOND SUNDAY OF —
ADVENT

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, December 8, 2019

*“In the wilderness **prepare the way for the Lord.**” – Isaiah 40:3*

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	9:50 AM	Children in Worship
	10:40 AM	Christmas Program Practice
	10:45 AM	Family Life Ministries
	10:55 AM	Adult Sunday School
	4:30 PM	Voices of Praise
	5:45 PM	Thrive
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
	9:30 AM	Priscilla Circle
	10:30 AM	Ladies Project Day
	11:30 AM	Prime Timers Christmas Party
	6:30 PM	Elders Meeting
	7:00 PM	Deacons Meeting
	8:30 PM	Council Meeting
Thursday	6:30 PM	District Meetings (Mark Busscher)
Friday		Fellowship Bible Study Christmas Party
Saturday	9:00 AM	Christmas Program Practice
	5:30 PM	Youth Group Christmas Party

Preaching Pastors

December 8	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Vern Swieringa
December 15	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Vern Swieringa

Offerings

December 8

Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Covenant Giving Plan
Evening	Youth for Christ of West Michigan

December 15

Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Basement Renovation
Evening	Rest Haven

December Ushers

Morning	Ruth Busscher, Riley Brower, Larry Kruithof
Evening	Kyle Bauman, Glenn Dozeman, Mike Ver Beek
Substitute	Pres Heyboer

Community Announcements

Right to Life

Do you like to bake? The RTLHA needs desserts for our Annual Celebrate Life Holiday Auction. These desserts will be used for the dinner and to sell for Instant Buy items. If you are able to make something, please call the office at 616-396-1037 or email at rtlholland@egl.net.

Bulletin Wish List

- *Replacing Church Parsonage Landscaping – any donation amount accepted
- *Replacing Church Irrigation and Landscaping – any donation amount accepted

Volunteer Opportunities Continued...

Youth Group

Just to clarify... Stacy and Susan and Dave and Tobi are all leading Youth Group this year but it is Stacy and Susan's last year. We are looking for another couple to join us in planning and leading the wonderful students that we are blessed with this year (2019/2020). Our goal is to work with the new couple and teach them how Youth Group goes and eventually pass it on to them for the next school year (2020/2021). Any questions or if you are interested please see Stacy and Susan Jones or Ken Hulst.

Group Announcements

Sunday School Schedule

December 8 – Christmas Program Practice in the Sanctuary

December 14 – Christmas Program Practice (Saturday Practice)

December 15 – Christmas Program Practice / Christmas Program – 6:00 PM

December 22 – Sunday School as scheduled

December 29 – Off for Christmas Break

Youth Group

There is NO meeting this Wednesday. We will see you Saturday night for our Christmas party at Craig's Cruisers in Grand Rapids. Please meet at church at 5:30 PM. We will eat supper at Craig's Cruisers. Remember the small group with the most "Christmas Spirit" will win 100 team points and extra money for the arcade. We will bring you home afterwards if you do not drive.

Priscilla Circle

We will be meeting this Wednesday at 9:30 AM. We will be pondering Proverbs 5. Please read, reflect and bring your comments and questions. Women of all ages are invited!

Ladies Project Day

We will be meeting this Wednesday, December 11th at 9:30 AM. Ladies of all ages are welcome! We will be having a potluck lunch. **There is a sign up sheet located in the narthex. Please sign up to bring a dish to pass and plan on bringing a project to work on.** Any questions see Jody Rietsma.

Prime Timers Christmas Party

We will be having our Christmas Party this Wednesday, December 11 at 11:30 AM in the Branch. We look forward to celebrating this time of season with good food, friends and fellowship. Any questions see Judi or Ruth. We hope to see you there!

Greeters

December 8 Tim and Jody Rietsma
December 15 Jerry and Rachael Rush

Safety Team Volunteer

December 8 Mike Ver Beek
December 15 Mike Arendsen

Coffee Servers

December 8 Lee and Bette Ver Beek
December 15 Lloyd and Carol Zoerhof

Custodians

Monday - Friday Randy and Barb Ver Beek – 616-218-9956
December 7/8 Matt and Randi Prins
December 14/15 Ken and Barbara Hibma

Nursery

December 8

Morning Kelli Kruithof, Taylor Kruithof, Jordan Redder Noelle Christiansen
Evening Julie Duimstra, Tanya Van Dyke, Annika Kruithof

December 15

Morning Mindy Hulst, Casey Schrottenboer, Kaylee DeJonge
Evening Carrie Bosch, Ruth Kruithof, Mandie Compagner

Sunday School Snack

December 8 Off for Christmas Program Practice
December 15 Off for Christmas Program Practice

Children in Worship Teacher/Helper

December 8 Marcia Hoeksema, Krista Schout, Erika Kruithof
December 15 Shanna Arendsen, Katie Brower, Jacob Schout

Sunday School Hall Monitors

December 8 Off for Christmas Program Practice
December 15 Off for Christmas Program Practice

Transportation Team

December 15 Herk & Judi Blauwkamp

Please Pray For...

Our Missionaries: Navy Chann-Chhay & Ly Chhay, Scott Geurink, Steve Holtrop, Dr. Mike Johnson, Sandi Nyboer, Tom Post, Jordan & Rebecca Roeda, Rev. Guillermo Serrano and Ricardo Tranquini

Our Home Bound Members: Carole Engelsman, Bob Lampen and Arlyene Wolters

College Students: Marissa Compagner, Megan Compagner, Ben Duimstra, Drew Flokstra, Jennie Hibma, Sarah Hibma, Jordan Hoeve, Mikayla Hoeve, Kacie Kruithof, Brandon Schreur, Josie Tanis and Jada VandenBosch

Continue to Pray For...

Continue to pray for healing for Will Hemmeke. He is currently in rehab at Mary Free Bed. Will's release date has been set for December 12. We thank the Lord for his healing touch on Will. Will attends our Cadet program.

Please pray for your Elders and Deacons who will be meeting this Wednesday evening. (Note the date change.)

Continue to pray for Jim (Jay Allen) Swieringa. Pray that they may get his magnesium under control. It was up a couple of points this week, thank the Lord!

Continue to pray for Wayne Van Dam as he recovers from his bypass surgery.

Pray for all of those in need of physical, emotional or spiritual healing.

Congregational Announcements

The Lord's Supper

This morning we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper. Everyone who trusts in Jesus Christ as their Savior and has made a public profession of their faith are invited to participate in the Supper.

Christmas Program Practice

This morning the Sunday school kids will be practicing for their Christmas Program in the sanctuary during the Sunday school hour. Please plan on meeting upstairs immediately following the service. We ask that teachers stay for the practice as well to help with the kids. We will also be practicing next Saturday morning at 9:00 AM. Thank you!

Reminder

Material for the January Oakleaf is due to Jordan no later than next Sunday, December 15th. Thank you!

Children in Worship

Parents, please plan on picking your kids up from Children in Worship immediately following this morning's service. Kids that are in Sunday school will be meeting in the sanctuary following the morning service for Christmas Program practice.

Transportation Needs

If you would like to have transportation to and from our morning worship services, please sign up on the sheet located in the narthex. Any questions see Jordan. Thank you!

District Family Visits

Household visits are being arranged for members in Mark Busscher and Brian Kruithof's districts. Pastor Vern will be visiting with the families as well if they so choose. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. Please make sure you get your visit with Mark or Brian scheduled soon.

Profession of Faith

If you want to make profession of faith, please contact Pastor Vern.

Volunteer Opportunities

Weekend Janitors

If there is anyone in the congregation that is interested in volunteering to be a weekend janitor, there is a calendar located in the narthex to choose a weekend. The Christian School Society will be meeting at a later date to sign-up for the remaining weekends. Thank you!

Meal Train

We are updating our meal train list. If you would like to be included on the list for making a meal when there is a birth, sickness, surgery, etc. please sign your name on the sheet located in the back of church and include your phone number and email. Most of this is done on the computer now, but if you do not have Internet access we can still get you signed up. Contact Brenda Flokstra with any questions, 616-994-3420. Thank you and we appreciate your help!

Nursery Volunteers

We are looking for more volunteers for nursery. If you are interested or have any questions please see Tanya Van Dyke or Jordan Redder. Thank you!

Thrive Leaders

We are looking for Thrive leaders for next year. If you have any interest or questions please see John or Heidi Dozeman or Ken Hulst. Thank you!