

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, February 25, 2018

“This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.” – 1 John 4:10

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	9:50 AM	Children in Worship
	10:40 AM	Sunday School
	10:45 AM	Family Life Ministries
	10:55 AM	Adult Sunday School
	5:45 PM	Thrive
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Wednesday	9:30 AM	Priscilla Circle
Saturday	1:00 PM	Youth Group Serve N’ Sleepover

Preaching Pastors

February 25	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Vern Swieringa
March 4	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Vern Swieringa

Offerings

February 25

Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Foods Resource Bank
Evening	Providence Nursing Home

March 4

Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Building Fund
Evening	Audio Scripture Ministries

February Ushers

Morning	Ryan Bosch, Larry Myaard, Mitch Van Dyk
Evening	Bob Baker, Gary Hulst, Neil Karp
Substitute	Pres Heyboer

March Ushers

Morning	Riley Arendsen, Herk Blauwkamp, Tom Flokstra
Evening	Duane Arendsen, Dennis Bosch, Steve Bosman
Substitute	Andy Krommendyk

Outreach Opportunities

Work Service Opportunity

Help build a home in West Virginia! Jimmy, who has serious health problems, has been living in a camper since a flood demolished his home in 2016. Volunteers from churches of Holland – Zeeland, in collaboration with World Renew Disaster Response Services and their partner in West Virginia, have committed to building a new home for Jimmy. More volunteers, whether skilled or not yet skilled, are needed for a week or more beginning April 21 – May 11. For more information, or to sign up, contact Dale Compagner at icomp1949@gmail.com or 616-893-5750.

Christian Reformed Conference Grounds

The Christian Reformed Conference Grounds would like to invite you to attend our “Journey On” fundraising dinner and concert on **Saturday, April 28**. This evening of fellowship, food, and worship will begin at 6 pm with punch bowl, then a delicious dinner of braised BBQ beef and chicken will begin at 6:30 with the concert to follow. The concert will feature dueling pianos by local favorites Kristin Bredeweg and Kurt VanderSchoor, along with the vocal talent of MacKenzie Segard and Casey Huls. This fundraiser is an effort to get our director, Mike Perton, who has committed to walk the Appalachian Trail in an effort to raise funds for debt reduction, out on the trail! The dinner is sponsored by two anonymous donors, which means EVERY dollar that is pledged and donated will go 100% toward debt reduction. If you would like to host a table please contact our office at 616-842-4478. Or, you may simply call, and we will be happy to put you at a table. Seating is limited and will fill up fast so call today! To learn more about this concert or Mike’s hike please visit our web site – www.creg.org

The **Christian Reformed Conference Grounds** is accepting applications for full time lifeguards for summer of 2018. Candidates must be graduated from high school, and willing to get their lifeguard certification to be considered for this job. Housing, compensation, and working in a fun, faith-based environment are just a few of the reasons to apply for this job! Email us at ministry@creg.org if you would like an application or have any questions.

Group Announcements

Sunday School

The Sunday school classes will be collecting pancake mix and syrup for the month of March.

Youth Group

Please arrive at the Branch between 12:45 and 1:00 PM on Saturday for our SERVE n' SLEEPOVER weekend! We will drop off our overnight stuff and then head out to SERVE in two groups, one group at the Holland Police Station (thanks so much to Dave Duimstra for chaperoning us!) and the other group will head to the Holland Fire Station on Waverly. We will have supper and a couple of activities at BAM in the evening and then will head back to church for our SLEEPOVER.

We are having a MIDNIGHT SNACK ATTACK CHALLENGE! If you are a night owl or just cannot sleep on Saturday night, come by the Branch at midnight. We are in need of a few taste testers to help us judge the youth grouper's creations. There will be a prize for the best dessert and the best appetizer.

We will be sitting together for the service in Sunday morning. We look forward to a fun weekend!

Priscilla Circle

We will be meeting this Wednesday at 9:30 AM in the Branch. Please read and reflect on 1 Corinthians 8 in preparation.

Volunteer Opportunities

Hall Monitors

There is a need for two adults (one male, one female, NO spouses) to help children during the Sunday school hour should they need to leave their class. There is a schedule in the narthex for volunteers to sign-up.

Bulletin Wish List

*(4) New chairs for the narthex - \$700.00 / chair

*(1) Smart TV and Computer for classrooms in Branch - \$1,100.00

Church Office Hours

Monday: 9 AM – 11 AM

Thursday: 9 AM – 1 PM

Friday: 9 AM – 3 PM

Coffee Servers

February 25

Julie and Jordan Hoeve

March 4

Dale and Isla Compagner

Greeters

February 25

Chase Van Dam

March 4

Ken and Lucille Van Dam

Safety Team Volunteer

February 25

Ryan Kruithof

March 4

Matt Brower

Custodians

Monday – Friday

Randy and Barb Ver Beek – 616-218-9956

February 24/25

Ken and Barbara Hibma

March 3/4

Dave and Julie Hoeve

Children in Worship Teacher/Helpers

February 25

Kacie Kruithof, Taylor Kruithof, Joe Hilbink

March 4

Katie Baker, Randi Prins, Cassie Helder

Sunday School Snack Helper

February 25

Shanna Arendsen

March 4

Katie Brower

Nursery

February 25

Morning

Susan Jones, Jordan Redder, Sophie Jones, Megyn Schout

Evening

Alma Myaard, Krista Schout, Kaylee DeJonge

March 4

Morning

Ruth Busscher, Mindy Hulst, Amelia Christiansen, Kirstyn Kruithof

Evening

Jordan Redder, Casey Schrottenboer, Erika Kruithof

Transportation Team

February 25

Jerry Compagner

March 4

Lee Ver Beek

Happy Birthday

February 25

Amy Kroll, Shirley Ver Beek (84)

February 27

Jodi Eckwielen

March 1

Matt Hertz, Jordan Redder

March 2

Clayton Dozeman (11), Charley Redder (3)

Happy Anniversary

February 28 Dean and Deb Brower (15)

March 1 Tim and Kay Bauman (33)

Keep in your prayers...

Keep all our members who have had recent surgeries and illnesses in your prayers, asking the Great Physician to grant His healing touch!

Pray for Janice VerMerris, as she will be having a biopsy on her liver on Monday to determine how her autoimmune hepatitis has affected her liver. Pray that the doctors can provide treatments that will effectively manage her hepatitis.

Pray for Dale and Shirley Van Omen in the passing of their brother-in-law, Clinton Nyhuis. May the Lord surround you with this comfort during this difficult time.

Pray for the group of men from Oakland that are currently in Florida on a service project. May God use them to bring relief to those who lost so much during the recent hurricanes.

Please Pray For

Our Missionaries: Rev. Troy Bierma, Navy & Ly Chann-Chhay, Scott Geurink, Steve Holtrop, Mark & April Homkes, Dr. Mike Johnson, Sandi Nyboer, Tom Post, and Rev. Guillermo Serrano

Our Home Bound Members: Carole Engelsman, Lavina Schipper, and Arlyene Wolters

College Students: Jacob Busscher, Megan Compagner, Melanie Compagner, Ben Duimstra, Jennie Hibma, Rebecca Hibma, Jordan Hoeve, Shawn Kroll, Taylor Kruithof, Brandon Schreur, Derek VerMerris and Josie Zoerhof

Thank You

Thank you for the many cards and expressions of sympathy in the passing of mom. And thank you to Pastor Vern for his message and song it was greatly appreciated. Thanks to the ladies who served lunch. Again, thank you very much!

-The Brower Family

Member Update

Marcia Boerman

Phone: 616-566-8344

Congregational Announcements

Christian School Society

The Christian School Society has started a new fundraiser TODAY! We will be selling Little Caesars Pizza Kits. You are now able to order your kits online. Please use ID #346907 when placing an order online. There are also order sheets located in the back of church if you prefer to place your order that way. Please submit your payment when placing your order. Orders can be placed through March 14 and will be available for pickup on March 21. If you have any questions please see Jane DeJonge, Julie Hoeve or Kelli Kruithof.

Church Bus Update

As a congregation we have raised \$6,950.00 for the new church bus. Any questions or to donate please see a deacon.

Vacation Bible School 2018

It's that time of year! We are starting to think about 2018 VBS and we need your help! We are looking for volunteers to plan crafts, games or snacks. If you would be interested, even if it's just for one evening, or if you have any questions please see Brenda Flokstra. Thank you!

Youth Group Midnight Snack Attack

If you are a night owl or just cannot sleep, this coming Saturday night the Youth Group invites you to the Branch for a MIDNIGHT SNACK ATTACK. They need taste testers to help judge the youth grouper's creations. Come on out for a fun time!

Chicken BBQ Committee

The Chicken BBQ Committee needs two additional couples to organize and assist in the annual Chicken BBQ for this summer. Please contact Dave Duimstra, Dean Brower, or Arlyn Schreur if you are able to help out with this event.