

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, April 1, 2018

“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” – 2 Corinthians 5:21

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Combined Evening Worship
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Cadets
	6:45 PM	Men’s Bible Study
	8:00 PM	OLT Meeting

Preaching Pastors

April 1	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Vern Swieringa
April 8	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Vern Swieringa

Offerings

April 1	
Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Building Fund
Evening	Bethany Christian Services

April 8	
Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Covenant Giving Plan
Evening	Allendale Family Life Center

April Ushers

Morning	Dean Brower, Riley Brower, Brian Kruithof
Evening	Dick Hilbink, Arlyn Schreur, Greg VerMerris
Substitute	Gene Compagner

Coffee Servers

April 1	Jody Rietsma and Ashley Rietsma
April 8	Justin and Jane DeJonge

Greeters

April 1	Mitch and Sara Van Dyk
April 8	Greg and Tanya Van Dyke

Safety Team Volunteer

April 1	Troy Rietsma
April 8	Brian Kruithof

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.

Zeeland Women’s Division Bible League International Spring Luncheon

You are invited to attend the annual Spring Luncheon of the Zeeland Women’s Division / Bible League International on Thursday, April 26 at 11:30 AM at North Street CRC in Zeeland. Our guest speakers are Pastor Phil and his wife Sonnet Quinn of Trinity Reformed Church in Holland, with a dramatic retelling of the story of “Ruth” as she journeys to the land of her mother-in-law and the situations she encounters when they arrive. The luncheon event is a suggested donation of \$7.50. An offering will be received for our “Latin America” project. For reservations please call Alma Heyboer or Arla Zoerhof.

Right to Life

Annual Walk / Run

The Annual Right to Life Walk/Run is scheduled for Saturday, April 21st at 10 AM at Lawrence Street Park in Zeeland. You can pick up a pledge sheet from our office or download one from www.rtolofholland.org.

Bulletin and Oakleaf Material

Announcements and material for the bulletin now need to be turned in to Jordan no later than **9 AM on Thursdays** to OaklandCRC@gmail.com or you may place it in my mailbox. Anything turned in later than that will be included in the next week’s bulletin. Material for the Oakleaf is due **no later than the 3rd Sunday** of the month. Anything received after the 3rd Sunday will not be included in the Oakleaf. Thank you!

Bulletin Wish List

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

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

Office Hours

Monday: 9-11

Thursday: 9-1

Friday: 9-3

Group Announcements

Sunday School Schedule

April 1 – Off for Easter

April 8 – Off for Spring Break

Hand 2 Hand

For the month of April we will be collecting “snack size” treats. Individually wrapped fruit snacks, Rice Krispy treats, snack size crackers, etc. Whatever is your favorite might be a Hand 2 Hand favorite too!

Ladies Bible Study

For the month of April we will be meeting on the **2nd and 4th** Mondays, April 9 and April 23. Thank you!

Men’s Bible Study

We will be meeting this Wednesday at 6:45 PM. Please read and reflect on 1 Corinthians 10 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.

Power Point

We are looking for one or two more people to join the power point team. This is usually a once a month commitment, with the occasional two Sundays per month. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Jordan.

Community Center Clean Up

Join the fun and help clean up the Oakland Community Center on Saturday, April 14th at 9 AM. Donuts and hot coffee will be provided. Bring a shovel and/or a rake if you have one.

Custodians

Monday – Friday Randy and Barb Ver Beek – 616-218-9956

March 31/April 1 Dan and Carrie Bosch

April 7/8 Cris and Julie Compagner

Children in Worship Teacher/Helpers

April 1 Off for Easter

April 8 Katie Baker, Allison Kruithof, Kirstyn Kruithof

Sunday School Snack Helper

April 1 Off for Easter

April 8 Off for Spring Break

Nursery

April 1

Morning Katie Brower, Taylor Kruithof, Noelle Christiansen, Sarah Hibma

Evening Cindy Dozeman, Barbara Hibma, Kirstyn Kruithof

April 8

Morning Marissa Compagner, Tara Kruithof, Kellie Brower, Alyssa DeJonge

Evening Ruth Kruithof, Pat Van Dam, Brian Flokstra

Transportation Team

April 1 Jerry Compagner

April 8 Larry Kruithof

Happy Birthday

April 2 Ryan Bosch

April 3 Judi Blauwkamp

April 4 Harper Brouwer (1), Grady Engelsman (10)

April 7 Cade Arendsen (11)

Happy Anniversary

April 6 Andy & Joyce Krommendyk (57)

Recipe Correction

Please correct the following item in April’s Oakleaf:

Recipe: Graham Bread

Add: 1 cup of buttermilk

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

Continue to pray for...

Pray for Ross and Kelli Kruithof as they are in China with Lydia. Pray for safe travels and smooth adjustments for Lydia as she spends time with her new forever parents!

Continue praying for those who have lost loved ones. May they be comforted with the gospel, which promises eternal life with our risen Lord!

Thank You

The Bosch family wants to thank the congregation for all the cards, food and prayers. We will miss Dan's dad a lot but we know he is with Jesus in Heaven. Your love and support have been a source of comfort to our family. We are so thankful to be a part of our loving church family.

-Dan & Carrie, Ryan, Jackie & Haley

Thank you for all the cards and prayers that were given to me following the loss of my brother. It's nice to be remembered in a time like that.

-Fran Schreur

Congregational Announcements

Easter Sunday

He is risen! Those three words are the absolute foundation of our faith! Share them, shout them, and keep them in your heart!

Combined Worship

This evening will be our combined worship service with Bentheim Reformed and Drenthe CRC here at Oakland at 6 PM.

Easter Flowers

Thank you for helping to decorate the church this Easter season! You may pick up your flowers after the evening service today. Thank you in advance for not taking flowers if you did not purchase any.

-The Decorating Committee

Welcome Our Refugee Family

The Shanano family wants to say thank you to Oakland! They are so thankful and praising God for everything. In their country their church was praying the same prayers we were praying and they are so happy that God answered their prayers. They would love to have visitors. If you are able to visit please use the code word: Oakland. They know this word to mean friends and love. They are eager to learn English so anytime you can spend with them is greatly appreciated, be it a cup of tea, baking or cooking with them, anything. We are so grateful to everyone here at Oakland for all of your support, time given and items donated! This church has such a huge heart for serving others. Thank you again!

Oasis

Thank you to everyone for all the help, food donations and for supporting Oakland Oasis this past year! Without all of your help we couldn't have done it. Thank you to Kristen Thomas for your help on the committee the last 2 years. We are looking for someone to help going forward for next year with planning and making meals. If you would be interested please see Krista Schout.

Church Bus

As you can see, the bus is here! There are some items that still need to happen to the bus to make it legal to use as well as a little sprucing up to do. We are working as fast as we can to make that all happen. We are also currently working on gathering information concerning the requirements necessary to become a driver. We appreciate your patience. Thank you!

Golf League

Attention Oakland Golfers!! Spring is just around the corner and that means it's time to start thinking about joining our annual Golf League for 2018. There is a sign up sheet in the narthex so grab a partner, sign up, and plan on having a great time! More details will come. Any questions see Dean Brower.

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!

Chicken BBQ Committee

We are still looking for volunteers for the Oakland Chicken Barbecue Committee. If we're unable to find additional help we may have to discontinue this annual event. Please see Arlyn Schreur, Dean Brower or Dave Duimstra if you are interested and able.