

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	Steve and Rhonda Bosman.....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	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.



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Morning Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:40 AM Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Missionaries Supported by the Oakland Christian Reformed Church		
Dr. Mike Johnson Ascending Leaders 3947 Field Crossing Sugar Land, TX 77498	Steve Holtrop Resonate Global Missions APDO Postal 1076 Managua, Nicaragua Central America	Sandi Nyboer Teen Life on Campus 4275 132 nd Avenue Hamilton, MI 49419
Navy Chann-Chhay & Ly Chhay #C46 Street 42TB Boeung Tompon Khan Meanchey Phnom Penh Cambodia	Ricardo Tranquini 1317 56 th Street Fennville, MI 49408	Rev. Guillermo Serrano Back to God Ministries International 211 S. Michigan Villa Park, IL 60181
Scott and Marcia Geurink 11195 Rich Street West Olive, MI 49460		Jordan & Rebecca Roeda Resonate Global Missions Uganda

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, May 24, 2020

*“Jesus said, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. **The one who believes in me will live, even though they die.**’” (John 11:25)*

Calendar

Today 10:30 AM Drive-In Worship

*The links will be available on our website and our Facebook page prior to the Worship services.

Next Sunday 10:30 AM Morning Worship - @ Oakland

Preaching Pastors

May 24 AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa

May 31 AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa

Offering Causes

May 24

Morning Oakland CRC Ministries / Growing Hope Globally

Evening No Offering

May 31

Morning Oakland CRC Ministries / Missionary Support

Evening Luke Society

Happy Birthday

May 25 Kyle Bauman, Marcia Boerman

May 28 Judy Hoekstra (80)

May 30 Hailley Nelson (11)

Happy Anniversary

May 29 Glenn and Carol Dozeman (33)

Congregational announcements continued...

Kitchen Team

We are forming a “Kitchen Team” and are looking for 5 or 6 volunteers that would be willing to join our kitchen team. We will be discussing health department guidelines for serving food, using the kitchen and any supplies that are needed. The team would meet two times this year and then 1 time per year after that. If interested please see Krista Schout.

Bulletin Announcements / Oakleaf

Due to church being closed the bulletin will be available online and if requested, by mail. Announcements may still be submitted by 9:00 AM on Thursdays to Jordan.

Church Cross

The Church cross has been placed in the parking lot. We encourage members to come to church to pray in front of the cross in their cars. Indeed, we can and do pray at home, but coming to church reminds us that we are part of the family of God. This is an opportunity for families to show their children that the church is a very important part of our lives.

Volunteer Opportunities

Family Life Center

Thank you to everyone that has been donating to supplies to the Family Life Center in Allendale. Your donations are greatly appreciated! They are still in need of diapers size 2-6, any size pull-ups, baby shampoo and baby lotion. The box is still located outside of the Branch if you would like to donate. Again, thank you so much for all that has been given thus far.

June Oakleaf

Material for the June Oakleaf is due today. Thank you!

Returning to Worship

Sunday, May 31st will mark the day we can return to worship in our sanctuary. For the time being indoor worship is going to look a little different.

- Seating arrangements will be 6’ spacing between families, every other pew.
- Overflow will be in the basement, balcony, cry rooms, or in your car in the parking lot listening to the FM transmitter.
- Live stream will still be available for those who wish to remain home.
- It will be up to individuals as to whether or not they want to wear masks and gloves.
- DVD’s will try to be developed for our shut-ins.
- There will be no nursery available until further notice.
- The elders will be stationed at the double doors on the east end of church to open doors for members.
- Until further notice there will only be a morning service.
- Offerings will be received via a receptacle by each of the double doors on the east end of church for when members exit the service.
- Until further notice Sunday morning worship times will be at 10:30 AM.
- Elders will act as ushers for the first few Sundays to facilitate social distance seating.

We thank you for your understanding as we navigate through these different times.

Congregational Announcements

Congregational Meeting

Our congregational meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 1st at 7:00 PM. We will be gathering in church using the social distancing guidelines. You should have or will be receiving a copy of the agenda, 2020/2021 proposed budget, nomination list and absentee ballots in the mail. There are copies of the absentee ballot in there if you are unable to make it to the congregational meeting. Please make sure you write your name on the outside of your envelope and either mail it back to church or you may send it with someone who is attending the meeting. Thank you!

Congregational Needs

If you have any needs (financial, spiritual, emotional) please contact your district elder, deacon or Pastor Vern. They are there to help!

Graduates

If you are graduating from college or high school this year, please contact Jordan so I can get your information into the June Oakleaf. Thank you!

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School is going to be July 27-30 and we are looking for volunteers! Right now we are looking for volunteers to plan the games, crafts and snacks for the week. If you are interested in helping with one of these please contact Jordan. Your help is greatly appreciated and very much needed to help make this week run smooth. Thank you!

Branch and Church

All church meetings and activities have been cancelled through May 30. Worship services will continue to be held outside (weather permitting) at 10:30 and will also be live streamed. Worship in the sanctuary will return on Pentecost Sunday, May 31st. More details will be published on our web page and our Facebook page.

Church Offerings

During this time that church is shut down, we wanted to let you know we are still accepting offerings if you feel the need to give. You may mail them directly to church. Please designate which funds you would like your offering to go to as normal. If you have any questions you may contact your district deacon.

Please Pray For...

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

Our Home Bound Members: Carole Engelsman and Bob Lampen

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

Continue to Pray For...

Continue to pray for all those providing essential services during this pandemic. May God protect them from contracting the coronavirus and spreading it to others!

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

Please continue to pray for your elders and deacons as they provide care for their districts.

Pray for John Wiersma who was admitted to Zeeland Hospital with fluid retention.

Pray for Mingi Shindano who is at St. Mary’s for treatments.

Annual Congregational Meeting

The annual congregational meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 1st at 7:00 PM. Included on the agenda for this year: 1) Voting on 6 deacons and 6 elders from the slate below to replace Lloyd Zoerhof, Tim Bauman, Jason Nyhof and Curt Schout, 2) Approval of the 2020/2021 annual budget, 3) Vote on purchasing live streaming equipment. A packet was mailed out this week with a letter explaining our congregational meeting and social distancing guidelines, and it also included absentee ballots. Any questions you may contact your district elder. Thank you!

Consistory Nominations

Elder	Deacon
Steve Bosman	Mike Arendsen
Mike Hoeksema	Mitch Brouwer
Scott Prins	Justin DeJonge
Tim Rietsma	Randy Dozeman
Paul Van Dam	John Dozeman (Glenn’s Son)
Wayne Van Dam	Andy Helder
Al Vander Lugt	Stacy Jones
Greg VerMerris	Ross Kruithof
Todd Zoerhof	Jerry Rush
	Neil Tanis
	Chase Van Dam
	Cody Van Dam
	Mitch Van Dyke

At the congregational meeting, the congregation will be asked to vote for 6 elders and 6 deacons from this slate. The 6 elders and 6 deacons with the most votes will then be used for the casting of lots to choose 2 elders and 3 deacons as the new office bearers. If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact a member of the council. Absentee ballots were mailed out. If you are unable to make the meeting please fill one out and mail in to church or you may give it to someone that will be attending the meeting. Please make sure that your name/s are on the outside of the envelopes. Thank you!

Oakland Christian Reformed Church
Drive-In Morning Worship Service
May 24, 2020 – 10:30 AM

Coming into God’s Presence to Worship

Prelude	
Call to Worship	Psalm 47:5-9
Hymn of Praise	LUYH 492 “Come, Thou Almighty King”
The Lord’s Greeting	

Time of Confession

Call to Confession	Romans 5:6-11
Prayer of Confession	
Song of Assurance	LUYH 693 “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

Pastoral Prayer

Hearing and Responding to God’s Word

Song of Preparation	LUYH 762 “Ancient Words”
Scripture	Revelation 1:9-18
Message	“Alive Forever”
Applicatory Prayer	

Song of Commitment	LUYH 224 “Rejoice, the Lord Is King”
The Lord’s Blessing	
Doxology	LUYH 938 “My Friends, May You Grow in Grace”
Postlude	

*Your gifts and offerings will be received as you leave the parking lot.
Offering Causes Oakland CRC Ministries / Growing Hope Globally

Pastor: Rev. Vern Swieringa
Pianist: Jacob Busscher

Oakland Christian Reformed Church
Morning Worship Outline
May 24, 2020 – 10:30 AM

Scripture: **Revelation 1:9-18**

Message: **“Alive Forever”**

Introduction:

Sermon Body:

Conclusion: