

Elder Assignments and Districts

Pastor Vern Swieringa - President

Lloyd Zoerhof	2020	Missions & Evangelism Liaison.....	A. Arendsen – L. Brower
Ken Hulst	2021	Youth Ministries Liaison.....	M. Brower – G. Duimstra
Bob Dozeman	2019	Recording Clerk, Search Committee.....	T. Dykstra – D. Hulst
Jim Vellenga	2019	Vice President, Adult Ministries Liaison.....	G Hulst – M. Myaard
Dennis Bosch	2021	Worship Liaison, Pulpit Supply.....	K. Perry – P. Van Dam
Tim Bauman	2020	Membership & Visitation Clerk, Fellowship & Service.....	L. VandenBosch - T. Zoerhof

Deacon Assignments and Districts

Rob Hilbink	2020	Assistant to the Treasurer.....	A. Arendsen – L. Brower
Dave Duimstra	2021	Building & Grounds Liaison, Covenant Giving Plan.....	M. Brower – G. Duimstra
Ryan Kruithof	2019	Chairman of Deacons/ Kingdom Ministries.....	T. Dykstra – D. Hulst
Matt Brower	2019	General / Building Treasurer.....	G. Hulst – M. Myaard
Ryan Bosch	2021	Missions / Mercy Treasurer.....	K. Perry – P. Van Dam
Curt Schout	2020	Zeeland Diaconal / Foods Resource Bank.....	L. VandenBosch – 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	Ken Hulst, Liaison, 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
Adult Bible Study	Pres & Alma Heyboer.....	1 st Sunday at 7:15 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	Tom and Brenda Flokstra, 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.....	2 nd Monday 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.



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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

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CRWRC / Asia Team Leader
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Teen Life on Campus
4275 132nd Avenue
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Scott and Marcia Geurink
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West Olive, MI 49460

Rev. Guillermo Serrano
Back to God Ministries International
211 S. Michigan
Villa Park, IL 60181

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, September 2, 2018

“Jesus answered. ‘The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent.’”

-John 6:29

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	6:00 PM	Combined Evening Worship
Wednesday	8:00 PM	OLT Meeting

Preaching Pastors

September 2	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Vern Swieringa
September 9	AM – Rev. Roger Kleinheksel	PM – Rev. Roger Kleinheksel

Offerings

September 2

Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Building Fund
Evening	Resonate Global Mission

September 9

Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Covenant Giving Plan
Evening	Bible League International

September Ushers

Morning	Riley Arendsen, Herk Blauwkamp, Ross Kruithof
Evening	Glenn Dozeman, Gary Hulst, Larry Van Dam
Substitute	Andy Krommendyk

Coffee Servers

September 2	Ron and Jean Meyaard
September 9	Tara, Taylor and Kacie Kruithof

Greeters

September 2	Herk and Judi Blauwkamp
September 9	Marcia Boerman

Safety Team Volunteer

September 2	Dave Hoeve
September 9	Josh Schrottenboer

Community Announcements

Right to Life

Mark your calendars! Our annual fundraising dinner for RLM Education Fund will be on Tuesday, October 23rd at The Pinnacle Center in Hudsonville. Guest speakers for this year are Alan and Lisa Robertson from Duck Dynasty. Tickets are \$50 per person with a 10% discount when you purchase an entire table.

Life Chain 2018

Sunday, October 7th from 2-3 PM, Right to Life of Holland Area will be on 16th Street by Langeland-Sternberg Funeral Home. What is life chain? It is a peaceful, QUIET, and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing and praying for our nation to end abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death! You'll be a light in a darkened world as you help put an end to abortion through prayer.

Celebrate Life Annual Holiday Auction

The annual Holiday auction will be held on Thursday, November 29th from 4-8 PM with dinner served at 5:30 PM. We are taking donations until October 27th. You can make a donation of a hand crafted item, service you do or donate a gift card (restaurants, oil changes, gas gift cards all make GREAT Christmas presents) or the money for a gift card (the staff will purchase the gift cards).

Christian Reformed Conference Grounds

Reservations are now being taken for the *Christmas Celebration Dinner Concert* that will be taking place at the **CRCG** on Friday December 7 and Saturday, December 8. Doors to the Worship Center will open at 6pm for punch. Dinner will begin at 6:30, during dessert the Christmas Praise will begin! We will be blessed by Dawn Bouman and Marilyn DeMann and their dueling pianos as well as a variety of local vocalists and gifted musicians. Tickets are \$18.00 per person or a table for 10 is \$170.00. Seating is by reservation only and is limited so call (616-842-4478) or email (ministry@crcg.org) to make your reservations.

Office Hours

Monday: 8-11
Tuesday: 9-3
Thursday: 9-3

Bulletin and Oakleaf Material

Bulletin Announcements Due: Thursdays by 9 AM
Oakleaf Material Due: Third Sunday of the Month

Group Announcements

Prime Timers – Save the Date

September 23 – October 14: Rise-N-Roll

September 27: Blue Gate Lunch and “Stolen” Play

October 31: Pig-in-the-Blanket Day

December 6: Christmas Luncheon

Youth Group

We are excited about this coming year! Our kick off is planned for Wednesday, September 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Nick Hilbink’s house! We will have supper together and swim. (Rain plan: meet at the church for supper and games).

Our first meeting will be Wednesday, October 10 at The Branch at 7:00 p.m. There were schedules placed in your mailbox last week. See Dave, Tobi, Stacy or Susan with any questions.

Ladies Bible Study

We will begin Monday, October 1! We meet on the first and third Mondays from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at The Branch. Please join us as we continue our study of women of the Bible, entitled: “Twelve More Women of The Bible” by Sherry Harney. Each video session is led by women authors and speakers who look at spiritual lessons learned from 12 biblical women and what they mean for today’s women. Come and get inspired and find joy in the hope that Jesus provided! There will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex beginning today through September 9, then Study Guides will be ordered. Please see Rhonda Bosman if you have any questions!

Family Life Ministries

Family Life will have our kick off on Saturday, September 15th. More details will be coming. Please RSVP to Allison Kruithof or Krista Schout if you are planning on attending.

Bulletin Wish List

New Sound Board - \$3,800.00

Custodians

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

September 1/2 Greg and Janice Ver Merris

September 8/9 Ken and Barbara Hibma

Nursery

September 2

Morning Ruth Busscher, Julie Duimstra, Kaylee DeJonge, Megyn Schout

Evening Cindy Dozeman, Ruth Kruithof, Sarah Hibma

September 9

Morning Bonnie Arendsen, Kelli Kruithof, Mandie Compagner, Alyssa DeJonge

Evening Abby Busscher, Barbara Hibma, Kirstyn Kruithof

Happy Birthday

September 6 Justin DeJonge, Marcia Hoeksema, Donna Lampen (82)

September 7 Hayden Redder (1), Carol Zoerhof (77)

September 8 Abigail Busscher, Melvin Myaard (94), Troy Rietsma

Happy Anniversary

September 3 Terry & Shirley Dykstra (53)

September 4 Gary & Bev Hulst (48)

September 6 Jerry & Gerene Compagner (50)

Please Pray For

Our Missionaries: Rev. Troy Bierma, Navy & Ly Chann-Chhay, Scott Geurink, Steve Holtrop, Dr. Mike Johnson, Sandi Nyboer, Tom Post, and Rev. Guillermo Serrano
Our Home Bound Members: Carole Engelsman, Bob Lampen, Lavina Schipper, and Arlyene Wolters

College Students: Marissa Compagner, Megan Compagner, Ben Duimstra, Andrew Flokstra, Jennie Hibma, Jordan Hoeve, Shawn Kroll, Kacie Kruithof, Taylor Kruithof, Brandon Schreur, and Josie Zoerhof

Continue to pray for...

Pray for Rebecca Hibma as she begins her missionary work.

Thank You

I am very grateful and humbled by all the prayers, support, food, cards and every act of kindness I have received. I am amazed and more thankful than I know how to express for all the mercies God does. He took a devastating situation and even something the doctors said probably wouldn't be successful, and He made it successful, showing myself and others that He is in control and that He rules over everything. I am blessed by God and all of you!

Thanks again!

-Jeff Machiela

Congregational Announcements

Labor Day

We thank God for the good work that He has prepared in advance for us to do! On this Labor Day Weekend, we give God all the praise for His plan for our lives!

Combined Service

Tonight is our annual combined Labor Day service here at Oakland at 6 PM with Drenthe CRC and Bentheim Reformed.

Vacation

Pastor Vern will be taking next weekend off. Therefore, we are moving our celebration of the Lord's Supper to September 16.

Profession of Faith

Dylan Helder will be making his public profession of faith during the morning service on September 16.

Household District Visits

Household visits are being arranged for members in Dennis Bosch and Ken Hulst's districts. This year Pastor Vern will be visiting with families if they so choose. There is a sign up sheet located in the narthex. Make sure you get your visit with Ken or Dennis scheduled soon.

Shindano Celebration

The congregation is invited to a 6-month celebration party for the Shindano family. It will be on Saturday, September 29th starting at 4 PM at Terry and Shirley Dykstra's home. BBQ and drinks will be provided. If your last name starts with A-M we ask that you bring a salad to share, if your last name starts with N-Z we ask that you bring a dessert. In case of rain, the party will be held at the Branch. There is a sign up sheet located in the back of church. Please sign up if you plan on attending. We hope to see you there!

Bus Information Reminder

In order to schedule the bus, please contact **Jordan**, who will then give you a list of drivers eligible for you to contact for your event. As the ministry year is starting the bus is going to be used quite a bit so if you have an event coming up that you know about please contact Jordan soon so we can get you scheduled so we aren't double booking the bus. Thank you!

Volunteer Opportunities

Oakland Kids Choir

We are looking for someone to lead our Oakland Kids Choir! Sunday school starts next Sunday, September 9 and we **still need** this position filled before that! If you are interested please contact Jordan Redder or Ken Hulst.

Kids Hope

The kids are back in school and we are gearing up for another year of Kids Hope mentoring at Bentheim Elementary. We would love for Oakland to come on board again and welcome anyone who would like to mentor an at risk student at Bentheim. We are anticipating about 10 students and are in need of about 4 more mentors to make sure every student is covered. Mentors meet once a week for 1 hour with the same student from October to the middle of May. There are also 3 or 4 after school events throughout the year. If you would be interested in volunteering please contact Renee Breuker at renee@bentheim.org or call her at 616-218-7772.