

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.



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Morning Worship 9:30 AM

Sunday School 10:40 AM

Evening Worship 6:00 PM

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Jordan & Rebecca Roeda
Resonate Global Missions
Uganda

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, September 29, 2019

“As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, my God.”

– Psalm 42:1

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
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Wednesday	5:30 PM	Oakland Oasis
	6:30 PM	Cadets Kick-Off
	6:30 PM	GEMS
	6:45 PM	Men’s Bible Study
	8:00 PM	OLT Meeting
Thursday	6:30 PM	District Visits – Mark Busscher

Preaching Pastors

September 29	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Vern Swieringa
October 6	AM – Rev. Vern Swieringa	PM – Rev. Terry Slachter

Offerings

September 29

Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Missionary Support
Evening	Food Drive

October 6

Morning	Oakland CRC Ministries / Building Fund
Evening	Back to God Hour

September Ushers

Morning	Matt Brower, Herk Blauwkamp, Ross Kruithof
Evening	Dan Bosch, Neil Karp, Arlyn Schreur
Substitute	Andy Krommendyk

October Ushers

Morning	Carter Brower, Dave Hoeve, Nick Zoerhof
Evening	Bob Baker, Ron Meyaard, Greg VerMerris
Substitute	Ruth Kruithof

Volunteer Opportunities

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, a 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!

Youth Group

Just to clarify... Stacy and Susan and Dave and Tobi will both be leading Youth Group this fall but it will be 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.

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!

Oakland Oasis

Oasis will be starting the first Wednesday of October and we will need some volunteers again. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for setting up, serving, as well as clean up. Also, if there is anyone available the Tuesday night before to help set up tables and chairs that would be great. Any questions please see Stacy Engelsman or Krista Schout.

Community Announcements

Right to Life – Life Chain 2019

Join us on Sunday, October 6th from 2 – 3 PM along 16th street for the annual Right to Life of Holland Area Life Chain. You may pick up signs at Langeland – Sterenberg Funeral Home. You may also create your own sign, please NO HONK messages, etc. This is a QUIET time for prayer to end abortion in America.

Bulletin Wish List

*Replacing Church Parsonage Landscaping – any donation amount accepted

*Replacing Church Irrigation and Landscaping – any donation amount accepted

Group Announcements

Cadet Kick-Off

Our Cadet kick-off will be this Wednesday, October 2nd at 6:30 PM. Bring your favorite fishing pole for a little fishing competition and some fun. We will also be having a campfire with s'mores and some outside activities. We can't wait to get this year started!

Cadet Heritage Council Kick-Off

October 9th will be the Heritage Council kick-off at First Reformed in Zeeland. A speaker on International sports is planned. We will meet at Oakland and ride together. We will be leaving at 6:30 PM so please arrive shortly before that time. Any questions see Tom.

Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday school has begun. We meet following the morning worship service at 10:55 AM in the sanctuary. We are doing a series on church history. All are welcome to join us!

Prime Timers – Save the Date

Friday, October 11: Dinner & Collingsworth Concert

Tuesday, November 5: Pig in the Blanket Day

Thursday, November 21: Rise-N-Roll Delivery

Wednesday, December 11: Christmas Dinner

Prime Timers Upcoming Events

We will be attending the Collingsworth Concert on Friday, October 11. The concert begins at 7:00 PM at the Jenison Art Center and is \$15/person. Please make checks payable to “Prime Timers” or you may pay cash and place it in Ruthie’s mailbox. **Payment is due as soon as possible! There are only 2 tickets left. Sign up soon if you would like to attend!** Plan on meeting at church at 4:30 PM. We will go for dinner before the concert (dinner is not included in the cost). **Please sign up on the sheet located in the narthex by today!** If you have any questions see Judi or Ruthie.

Priscilla Circle

We will be having our first gathering on Wednesday, October 9 at 9:30 AM with light refreshments before the Bible study.

Men’s Bible Study

We will have our first meeting this Wednesday, October 2 at 6:45 PM. We will be meeting in the church basement this year. We will be pondering Proverbs 1. Please read, reflect and bring your comments and questions. Men of all ages are invited!

Greeters

September 29 Ross and Kelli Kruithof

October 6 Ruth Kruithof

Safety Team Volunteer

September 29 Tim Bauman

October 6 Lloyd Zoerhof

Coffee Servers

September 29 Jody Rietsma & Tanya Van Dyke

October 6 Ruth Busscher

Custodians

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

September 28/29 Cris and Julie Compagner

October 5/6 Matt and Randi Prins

Nursery

September 29

Morning Taylor Kruithof, Randi Prins, Sarah Hibma, Megyn Schout

Evening Melanie Compagner, Pat Van Dam, Erika Kruithof

October 6

Morning Johanna Nelson, Casey Schrottenboer, Alyssa DeJonge, Erika Kruithof

Evening Barb Ver Beek, Marcia Ver Beek, Chelsea Kruithof

Sunday School Snack

September 29 Heidi Dozeman

October 6 Randi Prins

Children in Worship Teacher/Helper

September 29 Shanna Arendsen, Taylor Kruithof, Erika Kruithof

October 6 Ellie Duimstra, Jordan Redder, Cassie Helder

Happy Birthday

September 30 Brian Kruithof

October 1 Gabby Brouwer, Kaylee DeJonge (9)

October 2 Rebecca Hibma

October 3 Johanna Nelson

Happy Anniversary

September 29 Rog and Elaine Brower (60)

October 2 Greg and Janice VerMerris (27)

October 4 John and Heidi Dozeman (17)

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, Lavina Schipper, 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 Al Engelsman. May God grant him and Cindy His comfort and grace while Al is under hospice care at Vista Springs.

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

Congratulations

Congratulations to Mitch and Gabby Brouwer on the birth of Cooper Lee, born on Friday, September 20 at 8:58 AM. May God bless your newest addition!

Congregational Announcements

Classis

Classis Zeeland and the Zeeland Deacons Conference will be meeting this week. Pray for our united work to promote the kingdom of God!

Pulpit Exchange

Next Sunday evening, Terry Slochter from Lamont CRC will be leading our evening worship for our Classis pulpit exchange.

Rise-N-Roll

Prime Timers is doing their Rise-N-Roll Fundraiser. The brochure of items available was placed in your mailboxes last Sunday, September 22nd. Orders and payment (check payable to Prime Timers or cash) are due no later than **October 6** to Ruth Kruithof's mailbox. Product will be delivered on Thursday, November 21 at the Branch.

Profession of Faith

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

Meal Train Sign Up

There is a meal train for Jay and Lisa Swieringa. If you would like to sign up to provide a meal please do so on the sheet located in the narthex. Krista Schout will be in touch with you about a date. Any questions see Krista.

Pig-in-the-Blankets

Prime Timers will be making Pig-in-the-Blankets on Tuesday, November 5th. There are order forms located in the narthex. **All orders must be in no later than Sunday, October 6th**. Pick-up information will be available the closer we get to the date. Payment will be due upon pick-up. Any questions see Judi or Ruthie.

Oakland Oasis

Oasis begins this Wednesday, October 2 at 5:30 PM! We will be having breakfast and we need your help! We need the congregation to sign up to bring breads or muffins. If you are able please sign up on the sheet located in the narthex. Any questions see Krista Schout. 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.

Year-End Financial Statements

Copies of the fiscal year-end financial statements are available in the back of church for anyone that would like a copy. If there are any questions please see one of the deacons. Also, the deacons would like to say thank you for your generous giving. Because of this, we were able to pay off the Branch early and get a head start on the basement renovation project. We are thankful and blessed!

Abuse Prevention Guidelines

If you are involved in a Youth Ministry here at Oakland CRC the 2019/2020 Abuse Prevention Guidelines were placed in your mailboxes on Sunday, September 15th. Please read them and sign the sheet **located on the back page of the packet** and return to Jordan as soon as possible. Thank you!

Parents of College Students

Please put your students name, their college address and if they are commuting or living home in Hazel Compagner's mailbox by Sunday, October 6. This will help me so much. Thank you!

Church Bus

Due to the concern of the lack of number of bus drivers we currently have, the council has decided that if a minimum of 4 members do not come forward by September 30, to give Oakland a total of 5 bus drivers, the bus will be replaced by 2 passenger vans. Just a reminder that church does pay for the training and testing for our drivers. Any questions please see Ken Hulst. Thank you!