Thrive would like to invite the congregation to join them for a night of fun, following the evening service on November 8! Anyone who is interested in attending an evening together filled with dinner, dessert, and games can sign up in the back of church. Please sign up by October 25. See Melanie or Heidi with any questions.

GEMS will be collecting food for kids food basket until November 4h. There are flyers in the narthex for what food items are needed.

Ladies: Join us for a 5-week Women's Bible study called ALIVE. In a world full of confusing beliefs and persuasive voices, it's vital to understand and embrace our full identity in Christ. It's an invitation to deepen our understanding of what it means to live out our faith on our own and as part of the church. We'll learn how the gospel affects who we are, our relationships with others, the choices we make today, and where we place our hope for tomorrow.
A sample ALIVE lesson book is in the Narthex, along with a sign-up sheet. Based on interest, books will be ordered and distributed toward the end of October. All ages are welcome to join! We will meet Tuesdays at 7pm, November - January, every other week. Any questions - reach out to Tara.

Right to Life Supper will be held October 20 at the Pinnacle Center in Hudsonville. Doors open at 6:30 and dinner at 7:00. The guest speaker is Lydia Taylor Davis. Lydia is a national spokesperson for Students for Life National. She is also a pro-life social media influencer. See Jody Rietsma TODAY for tickets there are 4 left.

Prime Timers: Reserve October 23. We will be meeting at the Branch at 11:30 for a pizza party and then will be taking the church bus on a bit of a color tour. Sign-up sheet is available in the narthex.

Help Families Affected by Hurricane Isaias – On October 9, Hurricane Isaias made landfall along the Florida panhandle, causing strong winds, flooding, power outages, and widespread damage in multiple states. World Renew Disaster Response Services (DRS) is preparing to respond and walk alongside communities as they recover and rebuild in the months ahead. You can share Christ's hope with vulnerable families by giving to this response at worldrenew.org/fallhurricanes or by calling 1-800-552-7972.

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Morning Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM
Evening Worship 5:00 PM

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Oakland Christian Reformed Church
Sunday, October 18, 2026
Psalm 100:2a, "Worship the LORD with gladness;"

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Catechism Sunday School
	5:00 PM	Evening Worship
	6:15 PM	Fellowship Bible Study Wayne and Jill
Tuesday	6:30 PM	Elders/Deacons Meetings
	8:00 PM	Full Council
Wednesday	5:15-6:30	Oasis Supper
	6:30-8:30	GEMS/Cadets
Thursday	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting at The Branch
Next Sunday	9:30 AM	Scripture: Philippians 4:10-19
		Title: ***The Strength to Do Anything***
		Offering: OCRC Ministries and Renovation Fund
	5:00 PM	Scripture: Zephaniah 1-3
		Title: ***Going All In***
		Offering: City on a Hill

Serving in Ministry	**Today 10/18**	**Next Sunday 10/25**
Nursery - AM	Ruth Busscher, Julie Duimstra, Shelby Nelson, Nella Prins	Jane DeJonge, Linda Kennell, Hailley Nelson, Piper Prins
Nursery - PM	Jody Rietsma, Johanna Nelson	Julie Hoeve, Melissa Prins
Safety and Security Team	Steve Bosman, Matt Prins, Chad Payne	Steve Bosman, Matt Prins, Chad Payne
Refreshments	Tara Kruithof	Marcia B. and Ruth K.
Weekend Custodians	Cris and Julie Compagner	Josh and Casey Schrotenboer
Sunday School Security	Johanna Nelson, Eric Paauwe	Jordan Redder, Jared Rosema
Sunday School Snack	Jessica McCarty	Kristen Paauwe
Children in Worship Leader	Katie Baker	Sadie Van Dam
Children in Worship Helpers	Jackie Bosch, Erin Brower	Kirstyn Kruithof, Leah Smit

Prayers for the week:

We give thanks for the successful nose surgery Riley Brower had to help him breathe better. Pray now that as Riley recovers at home, he will have a full and complete recovery.

Continue to pray for Rietta Ver Beek as she recovers at Freedom Inn from her bleeding ulcer. Pray that the rehab will give Rietta strength so that she can soon return to Royal Atrium Inn.

Continue to pray for Larry Kruithof as he remains at Mary Free Bed. If all goes as planned, Larry could come home by the end of the week. Pray for God's continued care for Larry and that Larry will continue to gain the strength and energy he needs.

Please pray for Bob and Cindy Dozeman and Mike and Marcia Ver Beek as they are in California volunteering their time with World Renew through October 10-24. They will be doing needs assessment for long term recovery due to the Palisades Fire. Pray that God will bless them with safe travels as they leave this week and pray that they will be able to assist the work of World Renew in a great way.

Our Christian sympathy is expressed to Dale and Isla Compagner on the passing of Isla's nephew Brian Vander Koioi. May God grant His comfort and peace to Brian's family.

Happy Birthday: 18th Jean Meyaard (88), Ike Schrotenboer (12), 19th Stephanie Smit, 20th Tara Kruithof, 21st Andy Helder, 22nd Susan Jones, 24th Tim Bauman, Carter Brower, Griffin Jones (14), Jesse Roseman (4)

Happy Anniversary: 22nd Harold and Barb Hulst (33)

Pastor Appreciation is the month of October. All cards or tokens of appreciation can be placed directly into Pastor Mark's mailbox.

Oakleaf deadline is today to Jody's mailbox and Monday to the church email.

Oasis: Please join us on Wednesday for food and fellowship at Oasis! Dinner will be served from 5:15-6:30. We will be having baked pasta dishes, garlic bread, caesar salad, applesauce and dessert. We need help with serving and clean up along with desserts. Please sign up in the back of church if you are willing to help out!

Fundraising Opportunity: We are looking for groups within our church that would be interested in serving an Oasis meal this year. If your group serves, you will get all the donations given that night. If you are a leader and would like to sign up for a date, please talk to Jackie Bosch.

Morning Order of Worship
October 18, 2026 - 9:30 a.m.

REJOICING IN THE LORD

Prelude
Welcome and Call to Worship Revelation 15:3-4
*Opening Song of Praise *Worthy of it All/We Exalt Thee*
*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting
*Song of Worship *How Can I Keep From Singing*

APPROACHING THE LORD

God's Will for Our Lives 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
Prayer of Confession
Song of Assurance
LUYH #659, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 - *Nearer Still Nearer*
Congregational Prayer
Offerings for Oakland CRC Ministries/Parking Lot Renovation
Children in Worship Dismissal (3 - Kindergarten) - The Call of Moses

LISTENING TO THE LORD

*Song of Preparation *He Will Hold Me Fast*
Scripture: Matthew 26:1-16 (page 1542)
Message: ***Worship in the Whirlwind***
Prayer of Application
*Song of Application
Blue PH #328, vs. 1, 3, 5, 1 - *My God, How Wonderful Thou Art*

LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*God's Parting Blessing
*Doxology *Worthy of it All (chorus)*
*Postlude

Worship Participants
Worship Leader: Rev. Tom Pettinga
Worship Team

**Please stand, if able*

Morning Message Notes
Matthew 26:1-16
Worship in the Whirlwind

Evening Order of Worship
October 18, 2026 - 5:00 p.m.

A TIME OF PRAISE

Prelude, Welcome and Call to Worship
*Opening Song of Worship
LUYH #926, vs. 1, 2, 4 - *God of Grace and God of Glory*
*God's Greeting

A TIME OF FAITH

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:4-13 (page 1221
Hymns of Response
LUYH #440, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 - *He Leadeth Me*
(Refrain after 4th verse only)
LUYH #427, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 - *How Firm a Foundation*
*Apostles' Creed (page 813)
Congregational Prayer
Offerings for Calvin Seminary

A TIME OF LEARNING

*Hymn of Preparation
LUYH #755, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *Speak, O Lord*
Scripture: Joshua 1 (page 331)
Message: ***Strong and Courageous***
Prayer of Application
*Hymn of Application
LUYH #466 vs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 - *Abide with Me*

A TIME OF LIVING

*God's Parting Blessing
*Doxology
LUYH #932, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 - *Savior, Again to Your Dear Name…*
*Postlude

Worship Participants
Worship Leader: Rev. Gale Tien
Organist: Julie Compagner
Pianist: Ruth Busscher

**Please stand, if able*

Evening Message Outline
Joshua 1
Strong and Courageous

Most people would like to have more
_____ and _____

Our passage is helpful for the
_____ and _____ all of us have

The responsibility for leading the people _____ to _____

Deut. 34:12 – No one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

Joshua 1:5 – No one will be able to stand up against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will never leave you nor forsake you.

A clear _____ in the Bible

Genesis 28: 15, 1st Kings 8:57, Hebrews 13:5, Romans 8:38&39

God's "_____" to Joshua.

_____ order – lead the people into the Promised Land.

_____ order – Be strong and courageous.

Joshua's _____ (phrase describing the qualities of a person):

Israel served the Lord throughout the lifetime of Joshua.

Our comfort and challenge today:
God will never leave us nor forsake us.
Be strong and courageous.

We have two things Joshua didn't have.

The _____ and the _____ _____