

Membership Updates: At his request the membership of Drew Flokstra has been sent to Victory Life Church in Battle Creek, MI.
The membership of Kurt VanDyke has been released so he can affiliate with Vertical Church of Holland.

Oasis: There will be no Oasis supper this Wednesday and on Wednesday, January 7. The Oasis suppers will be returning on January 21.

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

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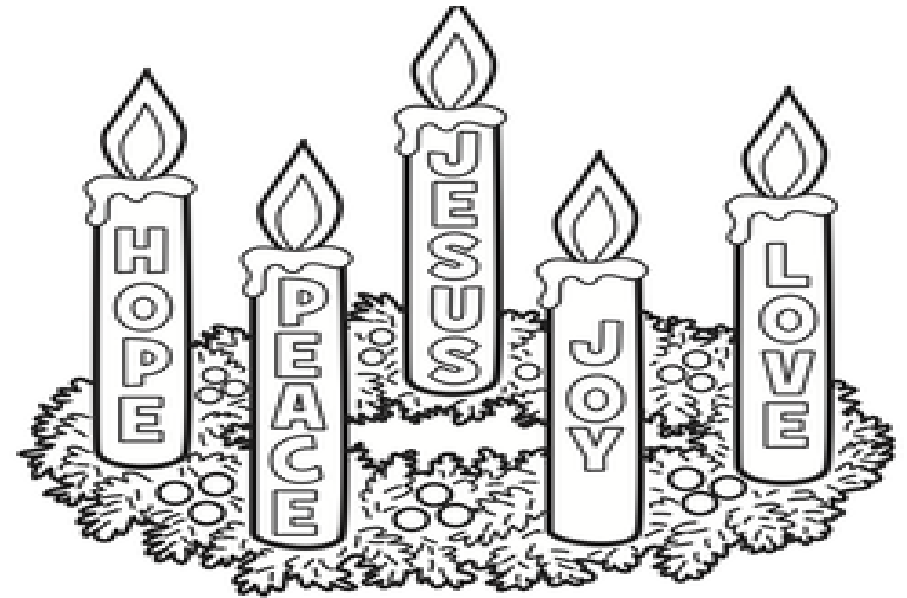
Morning Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM
Evening Worship 6:00 PM

Elder Assignments and Districts

Mike Ver Beek	2026	Education	D. Arendsen – N. Busscher
Bob Rynsburger	2027	Outreach Leadership Team	Cl. Compagner – A. Helder
Dave Duimstra	2028	Membership Clerk	D. Helder-K. Kroll
Greg VerMerris	2028	Clerk	A. Krommendyk-T. Rietsma
Matt Brower	2027	Covenant Giving, Fellowship/Service	J. Rush – L. Van Dam
Mike Hoeksema	2026	Vice President, Worship	P. Van Dam - T. Zoerhof

Deacon Assignments and Districts

Anthony Nelson	2026	Building & Grounds	D. Arendsen – N. Busscher
Chase Van Dam	2027	Chair of the Deacons	Cl. Compagner – A. Helder
McKenzie Prins	2028	Co-Treasurer	D. Helder – K. Kroll
Dave Hoeker	2028	Missions/Mercy Treasurer	A. Krommendyk- T. Rietsma
Greg Van Dyke	2026	Asst. Treasurer	J. Rush – L. Van Dam
		Kingdom Ministries, Zeeland Diaconal Rep.	
Mitch Redder	2027	Co-Treasurer	P. Van Dam - T. Zoerhof



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Oakland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, December 14, 2025

Psalm 122:1 "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD.'"

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	9:50 AM	Children in Worship
	10:45 AM	Sunday School, Catechism and Adult Sunday
	10:45 AM	Christian School Society Meeting
	5:00 PM	Voices of Praise
	5:45 PM	THRIVE
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Tuesday	6:30 PM	Elders/Deacons Meetings
	8:00 PM	Full Council
Wednesday	6:30-8:30	GEMS/Cadets Christmas Parties
Thursday	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting at Branch
Saturday	9:30 PM	Christmas Program Practice
Next Sunday	9:30 AM	Scripture: Luke 2:1-20 Title: The Sounds of Christmas Offering: OCRC Ministries and Parking Lot Renovation
	6:00 PM	Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:15 Title: The Indescribable Gift Offering: Harvest Stand Ministries

Serving in Ministry	Today 12/7	Next Sunday 12/21
Nursery - AM	Melissa Prins, Josie Tanis, Mackenzie DeJonge Joslyn Rush, Carly Slenk	Kacie Kruithof, Sadie Van Dam, Danika DeJonge, Chelsea Kruithof, Piper Prins
Nursery - PM	Melanie Groenheide, Ellery Smit	No Nursery due to Christmas Program
Safety and Security Team	Stacy Jones, Chad Payne, Tony Nelson	Larry Kruithof, Matt Prins, Tim Volkers
Refreshments	Jody and Tanya	Tara Kruithof
Weekend Custodians	Brad and Katie Slenk	Ryan and Allison Kruithof
Sunday School Snack	Jackie Bosch	Sara Van Dyk
Children in Worship Leader	Shanna Arendsen	Kim Vande Zande
Children in Worship Helpers	Kirstyn Kruithof, Zoey Van Dyke	Jackie Bosch, Carly Slenk

Happy Birthday: 14th Carly Slenk (13), 15th Brenda Baker, 16th Noelle Taylor (4), 18th Jennie Hibma

Prayers for the week:

Bill Hill will begin a new treatment regimen on Monday to combat his Hodgkin's Lymphoma. Bill will have 1 treatment every 3 weeks for a total of 3 treatments. Pray that these treatments will be effective to eradicate the cancer Bill has.

We thank the Lord that the doctors might have an answer for Jeff Machiela. They believe Jeff has been dealing with severe sleep apnea. Pray that Jeff can soon be fitted for a CPAP machine and that this will help him get the rest he needs.

Adele Rukerintwar remains at Harbor Post Acute Center as she recovers and receives therapy after her recent back surgery. Pray that Adele will have the strength she needs as she recovers and pray that she will have a full and complete recovery.

Please pray for Wayne and Jill Van Dam's 10-month-old great grandson, Foster Gruppen as he goes through chemotherapy treatments for his neuroblastoma. Foster will have three days of treatment every 3 weeks for the next 8 months. Please pray for Foster, for his parents, Tristan and Erica and the whole family as they walk through this very challenging and difficult journey.

We give thanks that McKenzie Prins and Morgan Kornstadt's dad, Tom Prins is now home from the hospital and has received some good news lately. His blood counts are up and he is gaining strength.

Please pray for McKenzie Prins and Morgan Kornstadt's grandfather, Russ Genzink, who fell while in rehab and is now back at Zeeland Hospital. Pray that God will protect Russ from anymore falls and pray for strength for Russ.

From the Christian School Society: If you would like to help support and sign up for weekend janitor duty for 2026, please see the calendar in the narthex. The calendar will be available TODAY until after the morning service. If you have questions of what this entails, please see Ryan or Jackie Bosch. Thank you for your continued support! Christian School Society will be meeting after the morning service in the church basement to sign up for janitor duties.

Sunday School children - we will practice today during the Sunday School hour. We will also be practicing on Saturday, the 20th at 9:30 & Sunday, the 21st during the Sunday School. If your child has a speaking part, please have them bring their notecards to each practice.

Morning Order of Worship
December 14, 2025 - 9:30 a.m.

REJOICING IN THE LORD

Prelude, Welcome and Call to Worship - Luke 1:68-75
*Opening Song of Praise *Crown Him (Christmas)*
*God's Greeting
Children's Message - We light the candles of Hope, Peace and Joy
Children in Worship Dismissal (3 - Kind.) - The Good Samaritan
Congregational Prayer
Offerings for Oakland CRC / Covenant Giving Plan

LISTENING TO THE LORD

*Song of Preparation *Away in a Manger (Forever Amen)*
Scripture: Matthew 26:17-30 (page 1543)
Message: ***The Tastes of Christmas***
(Series: The Senses of Christmas)
Prayer of Application
*Song of Application *Manger Throne*

CELEBRATING THE WORK OF THE LORD

The Lord's Supper
During the distribution of the Bread
Congregation Sings *Goodness of God*
During the distribution of the Juice
Ministry of Music *What Love My God*
Prayer of Thanksgiving

LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*God's Parting Blessing
*Doxology *Away in a Manger (Forever Amen)*
*Postlude

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande
Worship Team

**Please stand, if able*

Morning Message Outline
Matthew 26:17-30

The Tastes of Christmas (Series: The Senses of Christmas)

Introduction

1. The Taste of _____
*A _____ of the _____ of _____

2. The Taste of _____
*A _____ of the _____ of _____

3. The _____ of Tasting the _____ and _____
 - A. We Get to _____ a Special _____

 - B. We Get to Be _____

 - C. We Get to _____ and _____ that the
_____ Is _____

 - D. We Get to _____ a Meal _____

Conclusion

A SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS
December 14, 2025 – 6:00 p.m.

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship - Colossians 3:15

*Opening Song of Praise

LUYH #80, vs. 1, 3 - *Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

*God's Greeting

First Lesson – The World Begins in Peace

Lesson Genesis 1-2:3 (read by Dave Duimstra)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Carol:

LUYH #19, vs. 1, 2, 4, 5 - *For the Beauty of the Earth*

Second Lesson – Peace is Lost

Scripture: Genesis 3 (Read by Tara Kruithof)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Carol:

LUYH #61, vs. 1, 6, 7 - *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

Third Lesson – Peace Is Promised

Lesson: Micah 5:1-5a (read by Cris Compagner)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Carol

LUYH #56, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 - *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

Fourth Lesson – Peace Is Born

Lesson: Isaiah 9:1-7 (Read by Marcia Hoeksema)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Carol

Voices of Praise - *Noel*

Fifth Lesson – Peace Is Celebrated

Lesson: Luke 2:1-20 (Read by Marcia Boerman)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Offering for ReFrame Ministries

Carols during the offering:

LUYH #81, vs. 1, 2, 5 - *Angels, from the Realms of Glory*

LUYH #82, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *Angels We Have Heard on High*

Sixth Lesson – Peace Is Threatened

Lesson: Matthew 2:1-18 (Read by Julie Compagner)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Carol

Voices of Praise - *Three Kings Came Riding from Afar*

Seventh Lesson – Peace Is Regained

Lesson: Ephesians 2:11-22 (read by Bob Dozeman)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

*Carol

LUYH #93, vs. 1, 2 - *Go, Tell It on the Mountain*

Eighth Lesson – Peace Is Given

Lesson: John 14:15-27 (Read by Isla Compagner)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Carol:

LUYH #191, vs. 1, 3, 4 - *Praise the Savior, Now and Ever*

Ninth Lesson – Peace Will Reign Forever

Lesson: Isaiah 11:6-9 (Read by Amber Vande Zande)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Message: ***Perfect Peace Is Coming***

1. True Peace Will Be Reflected in _____
2. True Peace Will Be Reflected in the _____
3. True Peace Is _____ Reflected in _____

Prayer of Application

*Carols

LUYH #451, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 - *When Peace Like a River*

LUYH #92, vs. 1 - *Joy to the World*

LUYH #76, vs. 1 - *O Come, All Ye Faithful*

LUYH #88, vs. 1 - *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

LUYH #86, vs. 1 - *Away in a Manger*

Voices of Praise *Peace, Peace*

*God's Parting Blessing - Number 6:23-24

*Doxology

WHM #69, vs. 1, 4 - *O Come, Let Us Adore Him*

*Postlude

**Please stand, if able*

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande

Organist: Julie Compagner; Pianists: Marissa Hoeve, Dawn Van Dam



LESSONS
AND
Carols

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