

Oakland Christian Reformed Church

4460 38th Street, Hamilton, MI 49419

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

Custodian Randy Ver Beek – (616) 930-1335
Secretary Jody Rietsma – (616) 688-5290

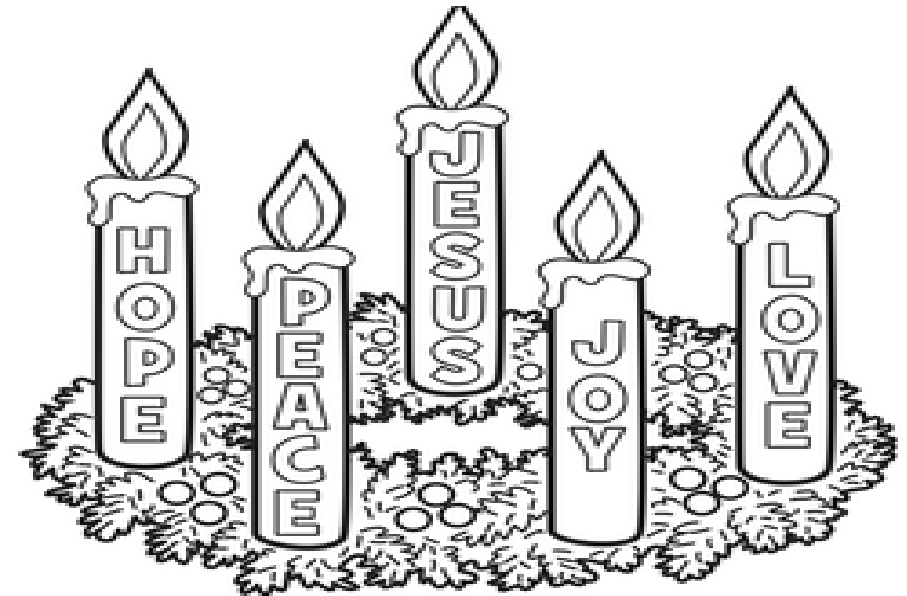
General Information

The Lord's Supper is celebrated on the second Sunday of Feb., June, Sept., and Dec., and on Good Friday.

The sacrament of baptism is administered upon request.

Missionaries

Navy Chann-Chhay & Ly Chhay – Resonate Global Mission (Cambodia)
Rev. Huascar de la Cruz – ReFrame Ministries (Mexico)
Scott and Marcia Geurink – Resonate Global Mission (Michigan)
Steve Michmerhuizen – Resonate Global Mission (Hungary)
Steve and Kim Holtrop – Resonate Global Mission (Nicaragua)
Rev. Dr. Mike Johnson – Ascending Leaders (Texas)
Ricardo Tranquini – My Father's House Christian Community (Fennville, MI)
Sovann Neth – World Renew (Cambodia)



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Oakland Christian Reformed Church

Sunday, December 7, 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
	5:00 PM	Voices of Praise
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship
Monday	11:30 AM	Prime Timer Holiday Dinner
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Senior Women's Bible Study Coffee (Jody)
	9:30 AM	Senior Women's Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Youth Group
	7:00 PM	Outreach Leadership Team Meeting
Thursday	5-9	Project Night Potluck Dinner at 6
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting at Branch
Friday		Fellowship Bible Study Christmas Party
Next Sunday	9:30 AM	Scripture: Matthew 26:1-30 Title: The Tastes of Christmas
		Offering: OCRC Ministries and Covenant Giving Plan
	6:00 PM	Scripture: Isaiah 11:6-9 Title: Perfect Peace is Coming Offering: Reframe Ministries

Happy Birthday: 7th Emily Vande Zande, Pastor Mark, 9th Glenn Dozeman, Chelsea Kruithof (14), 13th Jerald Engelsman (80), Leah Smit (15)

Missionary Christmas Cards: If you would like to send Christmas cards to our missionaries, please have them to Jody's mailbox TODAY. See on the back of the bulletin for a listing of our missionaries.

Prime Timers: We will be meeting tomorrow for a holiday lunch at 11:30 in the Branch. There is a signup sheet in the narthex. Any questions see Linda or Ruth.

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 until December 14 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 on December 14 in the church basement to sign up for janitor duties.

Serving in Ministry	Today 12/7	Next Sunday 12/14
Nursery - AM	Taylor Payne, Megyn Schout, Alyssa DeJonge, Nicolette Nelson, Jasmine Rush	Melissa Prins, Josie Tanis, Mackenzie DeJonge Joslyn Rush, Carly Slenk
Nursery - PM	Ruth Kruithof, Kim Vande Zande	Julie Duimstra, Ellery Smit
Safety and Security Team	Ken Hulst, Josh Schrotenboer, Chase Van Dam	Stacy Jones, Chad Payne, Tony Nelson
Refreshments	Pastor Mark and Kim	Jody and Tanya
Weekend Custodians	Brad and Katie Slenk	Mitch and Sara Van Dyk
Sunday School Snack	Tanya Van Dyke	Jackie Bosch
Sunday School Security	None	None
Children in Worship Leader	Katie Baker	Shanna Arendsen
Children in Worship Helpers	Chantel Taylor, Erin Brower	Kirstyn Kruithof, Zoey Van Dyke

Ushers for December AM Tim Bauman, Andrew Bosch, Brian Kruithof
PM Dan Bosch

Prayers for the week:

We thank the Lord that Jeff Machiela is now home from the hospital, but unfortunately, Jeff still does not have any answers as to why he keeps fainting. Pray that the doctors will be able to figure out why Jeff has been fainting so frequently and pray that God will give Jeff the patience he needs as he waits for the doctors to come up with a definitive answer.

Adele Rukerintwar has been transferred to Harbor Post Acute Center in Wyoming, MI to continue to recover and to receive therapy after her recent back surgery. Pray that Adele will have the strength she needs and pray that she will have a full and complete recovery.

Continue to pray for Junior Schreur as he recovers from his recent stroke.

Bobbijo Zoerhof went through another chemotherapy treatment this past Friday. Pray that this treatment will work to keep any cancer from coming back to Bobbijo.

Refreshments: Please join Pastor Mark and Kim for cake in the basement to celebrate Pastor Mark's birthday.

Morning Order of Worship
December 7, 2025 - 9:30 a.m.

REJOICING IN THE LORD

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship - Micah 5:1-5a

*Opening Hymn of Praise

LUYH #61, vs. 1, 4, 7 - *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

*God's Greeting

*Hymn of Worship - LUYH #85, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *Silent Night! Holy Night!*

Voices of Praise *Beautiful Star of Bethlehem*

APPROACHING THE LORD

Preparation for the Lord's Supper (page 976)

*Hymn of Assurance

LUYH #88, vs. 1, 3, 4 - *O Little Town of Bethlehem*

(During the last verse, the children are invited forward for a Children's Message)

Children's Message - We light the candles of Hope and Peace

Children in Worship Dismissal (3 - Kind.) - Jonah and the Great Fish

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for Oakland CRC / Building Fund

LISTENING TO THE LORD

*Hymn of Preparation - WHM #152, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *O Holy Night*

Scripture: Luke 2:1-7 (page 1590); Matthew 2:1-12 (page 1497)

Message: ***The Smells of Christmas***

(Series: The Senses of Christmas)

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application - Sing #790, vs. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 - *We Three Kings*

LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*God's Parting Blessing

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

*Postlude

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande

Organist: Lois Dozeman

Pianist: Melissa Prins

Flute: Kristen Paauwe, Katie, Morgan and Carly Slenk **Please stand, if able*

Morning Message Outline
Luke 2:1-7; Matthew 2:1-12

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

Introduction

1. The Smell of the _____ = _____

2. The Smell of a _____ = _____

3. The Smell of a Baby's _____ = _____

4. The Smell of _____ = _____

5. The Smell of _____ = _____

Conclusion

Evening Order of Worship
December 7, 2025 - 6:00 p.m.

A TIME OF PRAISE

Prelude, Welcome and Call to Worship - Psalm 42:1

*Opening Song of Worship

LUYH 859, vs. 1, 3, 4 - *Be Thou My Vision*

*God's Greeting

A TIME OF FAITH

Scripture: Romans 8:28-39 (page 1757)

Hymns of Response

LUYH #688, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *How Vast the Benefits Divine*

LUYH #863, vs. 1, 2, 5, 6 - *Take My Life and Let It Be*

LUYH #739, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *I Surrender All*

*Apostles' Creed (page 814)

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for Living Threads

A TIME OF LEARNING

*Hymn of Preparation

Sing #759, vs. 1, 2, 4, 5 - *Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne*

Scripture:

1 John 4:7-21 (page 1902)

Message:

Love Always Leaves a Significant Mark

Prayer of Application

*Hymn of Application

LUYH #727, vs. 1, 2, 3 - *Christian Hearts in Love United*

A TIME OF LIVING

*God's Parting Blessing

*Doxology

WHM #346, vs. 1, 2 - *The Bond of Love*

*Postlude

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande

Organist: Lois Dozeman

Pianist: Connie Duimstra

**Please stand, if able*

Evening Message Notes

1 John 4:7-21

Love Always Leaves a Significant Mark

Introduction

1. From the Perspective of Jesus

A. On Himself

B. On Others

2. From the Perspective of Our Own Lives

A. On Us

B. By Us

C. By Others

Conclusion