Calling all boys in 2nd - 8th grades to come join Cadets for fun, friendship, faith & adventure. Come to learn new skills, work on projects, take on challenges and most importantly grow together in our faith. We encourage you to invite your friends as well. Our first night is October 7th at 6:15 PM. For more information, please feel free to reach out to me. Scot Van Dam, 616-836-2173, scotvd@lakecustcab.com

Voices of Praise (Choir) will practice the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month from 6:15-6:45PM. Our first practice will be September 27. Anyone is welcome to join us! If you have questions, see Lois Dozeman or Dawn Van Dam.

Open Bible Study meets the 1st Sunday of each month, beginning October 4, after the evening service (6:15PM). We begin with a time of food and fellowship, followed by our lesson. We will be studying the book of Colossians this year. Anyone is welcome to join us! If you would like to come, please let Lois Dozeman know, so enough books can be ordered.

Game Night will be held September 24th instead of the 22nd due to a scheduling conflict. Any questions, see Jody.

Elders Assignments and Districts

Dave Hoeve	2029	Education	J. Admiraal-R. Brower
Bob Rynsburger	2027	Outreach Leadership and Life Team	A. Busscher-B. Flokstra
Dave Duimstra	2028	Vice President	T. Flokstra-C. Kornstadt
Greg VerMerris	2028	Clerk	E. Kroll-S. Prins
Matt Brower	2027	Covenant Giving, Fellowship/Service and Safety Team	M. Redder-Co. Van Dam
Brian Kruithof	2029	Worship	La. Van Dam - T. Zoerhof

Deacon Assignments and Districts

Justin DeJonge	2029	Kingdom Ministries, Zeeland Diaconal Rep.	J. Admiraal-R. Brower
Chase Van Dam	2027	Chair of the Deacons, Adoption Fund, Brokerage, Mission Trip and Mission Endowment	A. Busscher-B. Flokstra
McKenzie Prins	2028	Treasurer	T. Flokstra-C. Kornstadt
Dave Hoeker	2028	Building and Grounds and Bus Committee	E. Kroll-S. Prins
Jacob Busscher	2029	Missions and Mercy Fund	M. Redder-Co. Van Dam
Mitch Redder	2027	Assistant Treasurer	La. Van Dam - T. Zoerhof

Custodian (Church)	Randy Ver Beek – (616) 930-1335
Custodian (Branch)	Brad and Katie Slenk (616) 834-2155
Secretary	Jody Rietsma – (616) 688-5290

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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, September 6, 2026
Psalm 100:2a, "Worship the LORD with gladness;"

Calendar

Today	9:30 AM	Morning Worship
	10:45 AM	Sunday School Teachers Meeting
	6:00 PM	Combined Evening Worship at Drenthe CRC
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Senior Women's Bible Study Coffee
	9:30 AM	Senior Women's Bible Study
Thursday	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting at The Branch
Next Sunday	9:30 AM	Scripture: Philippians 3:1-11
		Title: ***Spreading Manure***
		Offering: OCRC Ministries and Building Fund
	10:45 AM	Catechism/ Sunday School
	5:00 PM	Scripture: Jonah 1-4
		Title: ***The Shortest Sermon Ever Preached***
		Offering: Audio Scripture Ministries

Serving in Ministry	**Today 9/6**	**Next Sunday 9/13**
Nursery - AM	Ruth Busscher, Ginger Hill, Alyssa DeJonge, Chelsea Kruithof	Julie Hoeve, Tara Kruithof, Kaylee DeJonge, Jasmine Rush
Nursery - PM	Combined at Drenthe CRC	Cindy Dozeman, Kristen and Hannah Paauwe
Safety and Security Team	Greg VerMerris, Chase Van Dam, Matt Prins	Mike Arendsen, Chad Payne, Josh Schrotenboer
Refreshments	Marcia B. and Ruth K.	Ruth Busscher
Weekend Custodians	Pastor Mark and Kim	Matt and Randi Prins
Sunday School Security		Gabby Brouwer, Ryan Bosch

Prayers for the week:
Please pray for Mindy Hulst who recently broke her right wrist. Pray for healing and a complete recovery.

Our Christian sympathy is expressed to Jeff Machiela as he mourns the loss of his sister, Pat Ponstein. Pat passed away last Sunday at the age of 73. Pray that God will give His comfort to Jeff and his family in this time of loss.

Happy Birthday: 6th Justin DeJonge, Marcia Hoeksema, 7th Hayden Redder (9), Carol Zoerhof (85), 8th Abby Busscher, 9th Keanan Weerstra, 10th Ruth Busscher, 12th Mackenzie Flokstra
Happy Anniversary: 6th Jerry and Gerene Compagner (58), Scot and Missy Van Dam (24)

Today:
We witness the public professions of faith of Kaylee DeJonge, Cassie Helder, and Leah Smit.
Drenthe CRC is hosting a combined worship service at 6:00 PM. Rev. Gary DeKoekkoek will lead the service, and the offering will be for the Lakeshore Pregnancy Center.

Sunday School Teachers: Please meet in the basement after the morning service today. We will distribute materials, class lists etc. We will begin lessons next Sunday. Any questions, please see Todd Zoerhof or Julie Duimstra.

Today there is a copy of the Education Booklet for the new education year. There is also a new contact list that was printed in the back of your directory. The change of time for the evening service was not accounted for in this new listing.

The Oakland congregation is invited to join the Drenthe and Bentheim congregations for a combined service this evening at 6PM, at Drenthe CRC. The offering will be for the Lakeshore Pregnancy Center.

Pastor Mark will be out of the office and attending the *Sing! Worship Conference* in Nashville, TN from Monday-Wednesday this week.

Youth Director/Pastor: Your feedback is needed! The Council is looking for your feedback as we look to God's leading and direction in considering a new hired position of a Youth Director/Pastor within our church! If you have feedback that you would like to offer, please reach out to one of our Education Committee members: Shanna Arendsen, Katie Baker, Heidi Dozeman, Julie Duimstra, Bill Hill, Dave Hoeve, Stephanie Smit, Pastor Mark Vande Zande or Todd Zoerhof. Please have your feedback brought forward by September 13. Thank you!

The Senior Women's Bible Study begins this Wednesday, in the BRANCH, with 9-9:30 AM coffee and cookie fellowship, and our study going from 9:30 to 10:30 AM. We will be looking at the book of First Samuel. Our first lesson will be an introduction along with verses 1:1-3. Everyone is welcome! If you have any questions, please contact Jill Van Dam at 616-886-9371.

Morning Order of Worship
September 6, 2026 - 9:30 a.m.

REJOICING IN THE LORD

Prelude
Welcome
Call to Worship - 1 John 4:7-10
*Opening Song of Praise *Love of God*
*God's Greeting and Mutual Greeting
*Song of Worship *In Christ Alone*

CELEBRATING THE WORK OF THE LORD

Preparation for the Lord's Supper (page 976)
Song of Response *All Sufficient Merit*
Professions of Faith
Kaylee DeJonge, Cassie Helder, and Leah Smit (page 964)
*Song of Response *I Will Follow*
Congregational Prayer
Offerings for Oakland CRC Ministries/Building Fund

LISTENING TO THE LORD

*Song of Preparation *He Will Hold Me Fast*
Scripture: Philippians 2:19-30 (page 1828)
Message: ***Having Great Examples in Life***
(Series: Being Christian and Living as Christians)
Prayer of Application
*Song of Application *Yet Not I, But Through Christ In Me*

LEAVING TO LOVE AND SERVE THE LORD

*God's Parting Blessing and Doxology *The Blessing*
*Postlude

Worship Participants
Worship Leader: Rev. Mark Vande Zande
Worship Team

**Please stand, if able*

Morning Message Outline
Philippians 2:19-30
Having Great Examples in Life
(Series: Being Christian and Living as Christians)

Introduction

1. They Are _____

2. They Are _____

3. They Are Willing to _____

4. They Follow the _____

Conclusion