



**Mission Statement:**  
God's life-changing, never-giving-up,  
all-inclusive love transforms us into a  
multicultural community  
of hope.

**September 22, 2019**

## Welcome to worship at Oakdale!

We are glad that you have come to worship with us!

### Today we worship God through:

**God's Word:** 10:15 am Combined Worship Service:

Pastor Emmett Harrison will share, "Is There a Balm in Gilead?" from **Jeremiah 8:18-9:1**.

**Giving:** Missions—Ken & Chris VanWeerdhuizen

**Ministry to children:** Nursery care is available for infants and toddlers (thru age 2) downstairs during the entire service. Kids are dismissed after the offering for Children's Worship (age 3—1st gr.) and Discover the Bible Class (2nd-5th gr.).

**Responding:** Prayer team members will be available to pray with you after the worship service.

### Today

9:40 am Kids Choir Rehearsal  
12:30 pm Kinyarwanda Service  
5:00 pm HSYG/DIVE

### This Week at Oakdale

**Monday:**  
5:00 pm Oakdale Support & AA Group

**Tuesday:**  
6:00 am Lectio Divina (If coming, text Jayne 947-4198)  
12:00 pm 70x7

**Wednesday:**  
6:30 pm Kids Clubs  
7:00 pm Lifetree Cafe

**Thursday:**  
11:00 am CLEAR

**Saturday:**  
10:00 am Kinyarwanda Choir

**Sunday, September 29, 2019**  
9:40 am Kids Choir Rehearsal  
10:15 am Pastor Emmett Harrison will bring the message, "Promise of Restoration", from Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15. Children's Worship/Discover the Bible classes meet during service.  
5:00 pm HSYG

### For Your Personal and Family Prayers

**Alice Menninga-Richards** remains hospitalized. Pray for wise decisions for her care and peace for Alice and her family.

**Cyndi Grady** has been suffering with breathing difficulties and pain this week. Pray for effective treatment and healing.

We praise God for the marriage of **Liza (Fongers) & Mark VanWoerkom** on September 14.

Pray for comfort for **Pastor James & Denise Jones** and family in the sudden passing of his aunt this past week.

Continue to pray for strength and healing for our friends: **Aljean Holtrop, Rita Gray, Victoria Gibbs, Kock-seng Chee, Jess Kuizema, Roger & Doris Van't Hof, Marilyn Bazuin, Diane DeHaan, John & Luann Pastoor, Bill VanderKodde, John & Joan Nidefski, & Joanne Ruis.**

### Oakdale Opportunities

Join us in prayer for the ministry year as we have a prayer **walk** through the church building. This will be a time of prayer to dedicate the ministries of this year, as well as pray for pastors, staff, council, worship, youth and for all the needs of the coming year. **We will meet TONIGHT (9/22), 5-6 pm.**

It starts **TONIGHT! Dive** (Middle School) and **HSYG** (High School) from **5:00-6:45 pm**. Be there or be square.

We seek to enfold our Kinyarwandan students by eliminating barriers to attending ministry programming. One **large barrier** for Middle Schoolers is transportation home from DIVE on Sunday nights. **Could you offer an hour of driving once a month?** (Up to date clearance is required). One person has offered but a second would lighten the load. Talk to Sammy today!



**CRITICAL UPDATE: Some of these positions are REQUIRED to begin our Fall Ministries:**

Wednesdays at 6:30 pm

**CREW (K—3rd gr.) —1 to 2 small group guides** to build relationships with students and lead them to various activity stations (which are led by others). Guides can be high school (h.s.) age or adult.

**Cadets (Boys 4-8th gr.) — need men (h.s. or adult)** to support this ministry on a flexible basis.

**GEMS (Girls 4-8th gr.) — need women (h.s. or adult)** to support this ministry on a flexible basis

**Where can you help?**

We need your help! **Volunteers are needed to prepare, serve, and clean up after meals for youth group.** The food is provided but willing hands are needed. **Can you spare some time on a Sunday (4:15—6:30p)? Visit:** <http://bit.ly/2kz9w1t>

**Men & women** are invited to join a **Bible Study** on **Sundays** at **8:45 am** starting on 9/29. Led by Bridget Goodin, we will be studying "Discerning the Voice of God" by Priscilla Shirer.

**Thank you** to those who planned and helped at the **Carnival!** It was a great time and we appreciate your efforts!

## Oakdale Park Church

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Community Requests Compassion Deacon.....Tracy Anderson

Secondary Compassion Deacon..... Emma Jones

\*Oakdale family compassion requests, please contact your district deacon. Sermon podcasts at: [www.oakdaleparkchurch.org](http://www.oakdaleparkchurch.org) Hearing Loop System & Devices available - please speak with an usher.

Discover the Bible class (grades 2-5) meets **TODAY (9/22)** and **9/29** during class time!

Every fall, **HSYG** attends **WhereUA?!**, a retreat at **TimberWolf Lake Camp** on **October 18-20**, with area churches and ministries. Any high schooler is welcome to attend. Registration paperwork and information is at the Kids Korner or with Sammy. You should come! It's an excellent weekend!

**Youth Ministries communicates by e-newsletter**, once a month, including dates for HSYG and DIVE along with prayer requests. **Go to this link to sign up:** <http://eepurl.com/c3Fflr>

Ladies: Looking to grow in your faith alongside other women at OPC? **We would love for you to join us on Wednesdays from 9:30-11am!** This is a time of fellowship, encouragement, prayer, bible-based study, and spiritual development. We will continue to learn about women of the Bible and how their lives are deeply connected to our own lives. We will begin on **Wed., Oct. 2**. If you need childcare, contact Mandy Vander Meyden (450-0783) Looking forward to seeing you there!

**Children's Choir (age 3—3rd grade) will practice today (9/22) at 9:40 am.** (also, 9/29, 10/6, and singing on 10/13). Contact: Heidi Krosschell at [hkro@hotmail.com](mailto:hkro@hotmail.com) or (text) 616-550-5814 with questions or if you need the schedule or songs.

**Security Cameras:** As announced earlier, Oakdale's Security Team contracted with Nexus Systems of GR to install security cameras inside and outside for the benefit and protection of all. Motion activated security cameras have now been installed at OPC downstairs, throughout the main floor, on the 2nd floor, and outside covering all entrances. Thank you.

**In September, please pray for our missionaries, Ken & Chris VanWeerdhuizen, JAARS. Waxhaw, NC**

**Have you ever had a desire to walk in the footsteps of Jesus in the Holy Land?** Our 1st trip filled quickly so we are offering another pilgrimage, March 2-14, 2020. It would be a joy if some of our OPC family would go with us. Prayerfully consider if now might be the time for you to go! Brochures are on the Info Table. Call Pastor Bill & Lyn w/ ?s: (616-826-1927).

	<b>THIS WEEK September 22</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK September 29</b>
<b>OFFERING</b>	Missions: Ken & Chris VanWeerdhuizen	Oakdale Ministry
<b>OFFERTORY PRAYER</b>	Greg DeWeerd	Tom Bobo
<b>LOBBY DUTY</b>	Bridget Goodin Marcus Krosschell	Aaron Jonker Greg DeWeerd
<b>GREETERS</b>	Deb Armstrong Peggy Moore Paul & Wanda Nederveld	Lou & Sue Ellis Emma Jones
<b>INFO CTR.</b>	Vera Spicer	Judy Dekker
<b>CRAWLER NURSERY</b>	Karen Ruis Chris Reinsma Jayla Reinsma	Aaron Winkle Cathie VanderSteen Annie Winkle
<b>WALKER NURSERY</b>	Kristin Visser Matt Watrous Luke deVries Lilly Kate DeVries	Scott Krosschell Lakesha Mays Quincy Winkle Lydia VerBeek
<b>NURS. ASST.</b>	Keith VerBeek	Heidi Krosschell
<b>COFFEE PREP.</b>	Don & Mars VandenBos	Dianne DeVries

### Community Opportunities

**All One Body** invites you to listen to a dialog about **"Pastoral Perspectives on LGBT Inclusion"**. Rev. Thea Leunk (Eastern Ave. CRC), Rev. Dr. Gordon Wiersma (Hope Reformed, Holland), and Jack Reiffer (former CRC pastor) will discuss inclusion and exclusion of persons who identify as LGBTQ in the CRC and RCA. **Thurs., Oct. 3, 7:00 PM, Sherman Street CRC.** Admission is free.

**Volunteers in Service (VIS) is hiring for Director of Operations & Training.** We are praying that God will provide a person who is passionate about the mission of VIS and building Christ's kingdom. Job description is posted at [www.visgr.org](http://www.visgr.org). Email resume and cover letter to [info@visgr.org](mailto:info@visgr.org) by Oct. 9. Contact Bernita at [btuinenga@visgr.org](mailto:btuinenga@visgr.org) with questions.