



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

June 21, 2020

We will be joining each other in worship from our homes.

God's Word: Pastor John Rozeboom will bring a message, Sabbath: Holiness, from **Exodus 20:8-11**.

Oakdale Park Church will be streaming worship services at **10:00 a.m.** on **Sunday mornings**, until we can meet again, on the OPC YouTube channel: <https://bit.ly/opcworship> or OPC website <https://oakdaleparkchurch.org/live/>. Through YouTube, you may also watch the service at a later time.

Offering: Oakdale Ministry

This supports the ongoing monthly expenses of our church. You may give electronically at <https://oakdaleparkchurch.org/give-online/> or by mail: 961 Temple St. SE, GR, MI 49507.

Responding: Please contact the prayer team, your elder, or a pastor with any prayer requests.

Virtual Coffee Hour: You will have the opportunity to connect with others immediately following worship. Join a coffee hour by clicking on one of the Google Hangout links, posted below the service stream on YouTube or the OPC website.

Today

10:00 am	Worship Service - virtual (Links above)
10:45 am	Join us for online coffee hour! (Info above)
1:00 pm	Kinyarwanda worship—streamed on YouTube.

For Your Personal & Family Prayers

Our sympathies to **Maria & Tim Gruppen** in the loss of Maria's mother. May God provide comfort during this difficult time.

Continue to pray for babies, **Nora Jones** and **Carina-Mae Han-nink**. Pray for health and strength for the babies and for their families—pray, also, for those who care for them.

Continue to pray for **Marilyn Bazuin**—that her vision loss would stop and that her eye would be healed. The doctor believes it will resolve without treatment. Pray for **Duke** as he cares for her.

Pray for strength and encouragement for friends: **Harold & Jessica Kuizema, Roger & Doris Van't Hof, Diane DeHaan, Sid Lautenbach, John & Luann Pastoor, Bill (&Lee) Vander-Kodde, John & Joan Nidefski, Alexis Coger, & Joanne Ruis**.

Continue to pray for all those affected by the pandemic, in so many different ways, big and small. Pray for an end to the sickness and disruptions the pandemic has caused.

Pray for peace in our neighborhoods, cities, states, country, and world. Pray for an end to violence and for everyone to show the love of Christ, and to experience the love of Christ, in a way that is new and amazing and reaches to all the ends of the earth.

Pray for all of the unspoken requests and for anyone who is going through an especially difficult or sad journey right now. God knows all of these things and hears all of our prayers.

This information was adapted from the OPC Prayer Line. If you would like to receive these emails, please contact Marcy or Jill.

The Oakdale Park Council is accepting applications for a part-time position (20 hours/week) of Administrative Coordinator (formerly Administrative Assistant). The position will serve as the face of Oakdale by greeting and serving visitors and congregants with a positive demeanor and servant's heart to ensure that Oakdale continues to be a welcoming, diverse place to serve and be served. Oakdale's Administrative Coordinator will become the recognized "go to person" for information about Oakdale's ministry and events in our facility. This position will begin on July 20. Qualified applicants will be those who love Jesus, love people, love administrative work, and love Oakdale. **A full position description is available to interested applicants from John Carman (jcarman20@yahoo.com) by July 5, 2020.**



At-Home Vacation Bible School (VBS) coming soon! OPC invites all children ages 5 through (entering) 6th grade to the Quest for the King's Armor at Knights of North Castle VBS! This noble adventure will come to your home and will include exciting new music, amazing science, creative crafts, memorable Bible stories and

much more that will help children experience God's amazing strength. This adventure runs from **July 20-24**. Child registration will give you online VBS access and information on VBS packet pick-up times. **We need your help!** Register your child(ren) here: <https://bit.ly/OPCVBS> **ASAP** to ensure we have enough supplies and materials for each Knight (child).

Help Needed! We are looking for a couple of volunteers to help with streaming services on Sunday mornings. If you have slightly above average computer skills and would like to learn the new video system, please contact George Visser at georgeandkris.vis@gmail.com, or 630-456-6743.



Still have all of those cans and bottles piling up at your house? The **Christian Education Committee** would **LOVE** to take them off your hands! Stop by the church parking lot from **10am—12 noon** on **Saturday, June 27** and we will unload them for you. All proceeds go to helping families send their kids to Christian schools. Contact Shannon JH with questions.

Neighborhood Clean-up - Did you see how quickly downtown was cleaned up after the riot? Can we show that kind of love for our church neighborhood? **Boston Square Neighborhood Association invites Oakdale to join in a community clean-up on Sat, June 27 from 10a-12p.** This is a great chance to have some casual conversations with church neighbors! Contact: Jazmyne Fuentes, 616-258-9553. **Let's show up big with at least 20 people!** Wear masks & gloves and join us at the pop-up park on Kalamazoo across from Modern Hardware.

We encourage you to join us on a 13-week journey of re-discovering the concept of Sabbath this summer. In order to cultivate our ongoing spiritual growth, we are offering Sabbath devotional reflections five days a week—sign up at: <http://opcsabbath.weebly.com>.

Oakdale Park Church

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Phone: 452-5764 ~ www.oakdaleparkchurch.org

Ministry Staff

The Lead Pastor position is currently vacant.

Contact your Elder, Deacon, or Church Office with concerns.

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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 Hearing Loop System & Devices available - please speak with an usher.

Let's Pray Together!

Tuesday morning prayer (6:00-7:00 am)

All are invited to a time of prayer and intercession for Oakdale, using a conference call. To join, call: 701-802-5015 and then enter this Access Code: **234826#** Please announce yourself when connected. Questions? Call Cindy (616) 421-5874.

The prayer team is available to pray with you by phone—text or call to set up a time to pray with **Cindy Plantenga** (616-421-5874), **Gen Riekema** (616-204-0918), **Jayne Ver Beek** (616-947-4198), **Lisa DeYoung** (616-818-8512) **Deanna Stout** (616-206-4860) or **Cal DeVries** (616-245-3863). Elders and Pastoral staff are also available to pray with you.

Community Announcements

Seeking God in Suffering is a 4-week, inspirational devotion-al series from *Today*. How do we respond when faced with difficulties? Let stories of grief, healing, & community inspire you to seek God in trials at: todaydevotional.com/seekinggodd.

Grand Rapids residents planning a project to help reestablish community and relationships may be eligible for funding through Neighborhood Match Fund (NMF). We will award contracts ranging from \$2,000-\$10,000 that focus on COVID community resiliency and projects that bring the community together to advance equity and address the impact of structural racism. **Apply by 7/12 at: <https://bit.ly/37vdY5I>**

Disability Concerns Leadership Training Event 2020 - Join us August 5th and 6th for our annual leadership training event. This year we will be hosting it online! The theme for our conference this year is agility. To find out more about the event, and to register please visit <https://network.crcna.org/disability-concerns/save-date-disability-concerns-annual-conference>.

Loving Your Neighbor Conference (LYN2020)- Calvin Theological Seminary, July 6-8. www.calvinseminary.edu/lyn2020

Church of the Servant is looking to hire a full time (36 hrs/wk) person to join our staff team and be responsible for our building's operation and maintenance needs. Strong Facility Management experience preferred. See: www.coscrc.org/ employment. Please send letter of interest and resume to: lori.wiersma@coscrc.org by July 17. **Start date: August 17.**

Calvin Academy for Lifelong Learning is collaborating for a series of dynamic classes for fall. We will offer distancing in larger venues and many of our classes will also be online. The Passport Travel films will begin in October. Info available mid-July. Email us at call@calvin.edu to request a mailing.

In June, pray for Ken & Chris VanWeerdhuizen (JAARS)

Resources

Struggling to afford food, rent, or childcare during COVID-19? 2-1-1 can help! Call, text, or email to get referrals to resources in Kent County. Visit: <https://www.hwmuw.org/211>.

Food Pantries: <http://accessofwestmichigan.org/covid-19>

Counseling Services: As a member of OPC, each member of your household is able to access up to 3 free confidential counseling sessions at Pine Rest through the Church Assistance Program (CAP). **Find info at: <https://bit.ly/2Yq711Q>** Call 616-455-6210 to arrange a telehealth visit.

Employment: Visit: <https://www.mitalent.org/> for local companies that are hiring. Also, Hex Armor is seeking light assembly for PPE—see: <https://bit.ly/2KkeJ6t>.

OPC Office: During this time, Oakdale Park office is closed and staff are primarily working from home, with limited persons in the office each day. The OPC voicemail is checked regularly—please leave phone messages at 616-452-5764 or email: adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org. Please contact Pastor James or your Elder for pastoral care concerns.

At-Home Faith Formation Tip (crcna.org/FaithFormation): While our earthly fathers aren't perfect, God's love is perfect and unconditional. Read Psalm 23 today and celebrate the many ways that God guides, protects, provides for, and comforts us.