

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

June 28, 2020

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

<u>God's Word:</u> Elder Nate deVries will bring a message, <u>Sabbath: World</u> from Leviticus 25:1-7.

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: <u>https://bit.ly/opcworship</u> or OPC website <u>https://oakdaleparkchurch.org/live/</u>. Through YouTube, you may also watch the service at a later time.

Offering: Missions: Ken & Chris VanWeerdhuizen

<u>Responding:</u> 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.

<u>Today</u>

10:00 amWorship Service - virtual (Links above)11:15 amJoin us for online coffee hour! (Info above)1:00 pmKinyarwanda worship—streamed on YouTube.

For Your Personal & Family Prayers

Congratulations to **Yolanda VanderPloeg** and **Elias Moumouni** in the birth of their daughter, **Camille Elizabeth**, on June 21!

Jenny LeMahieu & **Josh Gela** had planned to be married on June 27 in PNG but it has needed to be postponed, again, due to the unexpected death of Josh's uncle, Rev. Samson Lowa. Pray for Jenny & Josh and family as they mourn his death and for clarity and peace in rescheduling their wedding.

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

Pray for encouragement and strength 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.

Notes from our Church Family

Harold & Jessica Kuizema praise God for 71 years of marriage on June 28, 2020. Harold & Jessica have been members of Oakdale Park their entire married life and they thank God for his faithfulness to their faith community and the mutual love they share in Jesus.

A special thank you to the OPC pastors and congregation for their prayers, love, and support following the loss of Christian Ngabo. We appreciate all that you have done. Elie & Aline, Pastor Claude & Florence, and the entire family

From **Rose Marshall**: I want you all to know that my cataract surgery went well. I am recovering. I have my follow up appointment next Tuesday. Thank you for the prayers.

Announcements



Help Needed! We need volunteers to help with streaming services on Sundays. If you have slightly above average computer skills and would like to learn the new video system, contact George at georgeandkris.vis@gmail.com, or 630-456-6743.



Register your child(ren) here: https://bit.ly/OPCVBS ASAP to ensure we have enough supplies and materials for each Knight (child). See full announcement inside bulletin.

GRILU, a HS leadership program for Juniors and Seniors, is now accepting applications for the 20/21 team. Interested students would be willing to commit to weekly meetings, HSYG participation, and some volunteer time. Participants often build self-knowledge and capacity to affect their futures and their communities for the better. Interested? Have a question? Want an application? Contact Sammy ASAP.

Despite the uncertainty of our future months, Youth Ministry is faithfully trying to prepare for a 20/21 ministry season. Part of the preparation is the recruiting of men and women to walk alongside Middle and High School students as they engage with God and each other during youth group and in life. Our students are funny, insightful, creative, curious and fun. Wondering if you could be part of the team? High School is looking for 1-2 males and 1 female and Middle School is looking for 2-3 males and 2-3 females. Call/email Sammy for a ministry job description or questions.

Mission130, a Middle-school mission trip in the Oakdale neighborhood is a GO for this summer! Any middle school student is welcome to attend (and there's no cost involved). It takes place Sun, July 19-Thurs, July 24. Additional details will be available next week; contact Sammy w/ ???s

Cathy Peless, Oakdale's janitor of 8.5 years, desires to retire from her job this summer. Cathy's diligence, her cheerful, loving spirit in consistently performing her janitorial ministry, have been very much appreciated. Cathy commented that her OPC job stands out to her for the many positive, grateful comments she has received. **Oakdale is receiving applications for the church janitorial position, half-time, (about 20 hours/ week), to start in August.** The goal of the position is that OPC's ministry spaces continue as welcoming for our diverse groups, clean, orderly and attractive for ministry, as possible. Interested persons may review a complete job description and pay information, or explore the job in conversation by contacting Pastor John Rozeboom, Ministry Administrator, johnrozeboom@oakdaleparkchurch.org or Ken VanIddekinge, Facilities, kvaniddekinge@hotmail.com).

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Ministry Staff

The Lead Pastor position is currently vacant. Contact your Elder, Deacon, or Church Office with concerns. Pastor James Jones, Pastor of Congregational Care and Outreach pastoriamesiones@oakdaleparkchurch.org -- Cell: 808-9371 Pastor John Rozeboom, Ministry Administrator johnrozeboom@oakdaleparkchurch.org —Cell: 560-3698 Pastor Claude Ngendahayo, Pastor of Kinyarwandan congregation bishopmaseka@gmail.com—Cell: 432-8231 Maurice Townsend, Worship Director worshipdirector@oakdaleparkchurch.org ---Cell: 885-3815 Karen Bobo, Children's Ministry Director childrendirector@oakdaleparkchurch.org -- Cell: 560-7341 Sammy Beuker, Youth Ministry Director OPCyouthdirector@gmail.com—Cell: 581-5014 Cathy Peless, Building Maintenance janitor@oakdaleparkchurch.org —Cell: 265-8836 (new) Marcy Emmelkamp, Administrative Assistant adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org -- Office: 452-5764

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*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.



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: <u>https://bit.ly/OPCVBS</u> **ASAP** to ensure we have enough supplies and materials for each Knight (child).

We encourage you to join us on a 13-week journey of rediscovering 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.

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 applicants interested John from Carman (jcarman20@yahoo.com) by July 5, 2020.

Community Announcements

From Mel Trotter Ministries: As supplies dwindle and numbers of children and families needing help this summer escalate, donations are a blessing! Most needed: Bottled Water, Ice Packs, Sunblock, Towels, Sheets, Hand Sanitizer, and Summer Clothing (shorts and tank tops). Email: info@meltrotter.org or call: 616-454-8249 to donate.

Volunteers in Service (VIS) is able to provide for a variety of furniture and household requests by acquiring gently used items from local resources. Many of our VIS friends lack transportation, due to age or circumstance, or have limited support systems that can assist with a furniture pick up. If you are able bodied, have a somewhat flexible schedule and a vehicle that can be used for larger furniture items, we **NEED** you! **Please** consider adding your name to our list as a resource to call when opportunities arise: **Tracey at tmaguffee@visgr.org**

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.

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.

Mission Spotlight

Ken and Chris Van Weerdhuizen serve with Wycliffe Bible Translators (http://www.wycliffe.org) and JAARS (http:// www.jaars.org). They served 20 years in the Philippines and 1 year in Cameroon. Since 2013, Ken and Chris have been working in Aviation & Member Care at the JAARS Center in North Carolina as part of the home support team for those serving overseas. Chris is a Resource Coordinator, providing member care for Wycliffe members around the world. Member care is an important part of retaining valuable workers. Ken continues to serve with JAARS aviation, filling some key administrative and logistical roles and sharing stories of what God is doing through Bible Translation.

At-Home Faith Formation Tip (crcna.org/FaithFormation): The Examen is a helpful daily prayer tool that Christians have used for hundreds of years to review their day in a godly way. This is a great bedtime practice for people of all ages. A simplified Examen looks like this: First, pray that God will give you insight. Then ask yourself two questions: "What was I most grateful for today?" and "What was I least grateful for today?" Close in prayer, thanking God for the blessings of the day, and asking God's help with your shortcomings.