



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

**August 16, 2020**

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

**God's Word:** Seminarian Nicole Romero will bring a message, **Sabbath: Healing** from **Luke 14:1-6.**

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.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper: We will share together (from home) in the joyful feast of our Lord, remembering the forgiveness of sins that we receive through Jesus Christ.

**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)  
 11:15 am Join us for online coffee hour! (Info above)  
 1:00 pm Kinyarwanda worship—streamed on YouTube.

**This Week at Oakdale**

**Tuesday:**  
 6:00-7:00 am Prayer Time; Call 701-802-5015 Code 234826#

**Thursday:** CLEAR (small group meeting)

**Sunday, August 16:** Online worship

10:00 am Worship (English)  
 11:15 am Virtual coffee hour  
 1:00 pm Worship (Kinyarwandan)

**For Your Personal & Family Prayers**

Continue to pray for **Jessica Hannink** as they continue to do testing. Pray that she may have a relief from her joint pain and that the medicine will help.

Continue to pray for healing for **Rose Marshall's** eyes and that she may have relief from her discomfort and discouragement.

Pray for **Julie Veeneman** as she has undergone surgery after tests showed some issues with her kidney's. Pray that she may have quick healing from this surgery and that her upcoming treatments may be effective.

Continue to pray for **Aljean Holtrop's** upcoming eye appointment and that it may be successful.

Pray for **Denise Jones** and her upcoming ablation procedure (Aug. 20th) for her heart — pray that the procedure will help fix her heart rhythm and that she will be healed.

**Paul and Wander Nederveld's** daughter will likely have to be induced into labor a few weeks early — pray that all will go well for mom, baby, and family.

**Jeff and Kathy DeJong's** son **Nate** has been able to return home after a hospital stay for heart and kidney failure. Continue to pray for Nate, for his medical team in deciding treatments, and for comfort for his family in this time.

Continue to pray for health and strength for **Nora Jones and Carina Mae Hannink** – pray for **Nora Jones** as she is currently battling a cough, and that it may diminish with steroids.

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

**Oakdale Opportunities**

Come support **Oakdale's Christian Education Committee** by shopping every Friday in August at New 2 You thrift store from 4-7 pm. The committee will get a percentage of all sales that evening during that time. Fridays in August are the 14th, 21st & 28th. We appreciate your support!

**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.

## Oakdale Park Church

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### 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](http://www.oakdaleparkchurch.org) Hearing Loop System & Devices available - please speak with an usher.

In August, please pray for James and Barbarita Lee (Mexico)

### Community Announcements

#### From Back to God Ministries International

- **GROUNDWORK: LAMENT: A FAITHFUL RESPONSE TO TRAGEDY** - We all encounter difficult seasons in life. Join Groundwork as we study Psalm 13, Psalm 55, and Romans 14:7 to let scripture guide us in lament, an appropriate response to difficult times that engages our faith and acknowledges our reality. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.
- **NEW SCHOOL** - Check out our children's programs at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). In this week's episode "New School", a new school means new friends, new teachers, and a new challenge—figuring out how they can serve God in this new place. Listen now at [kidscorner.net](http://kidscorner.net) and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download **Power Tools: Taking a Stand Against Bullying**, an eBook to help kids and parents talk about bullying. [kidscorner.net/activities](http://kidscorner.net/activities)

#### From the CRCNA

*Blessing of the Students* - Please plan to join us online for this year's Blessing of the Students event, Sunday August 16, at 6 p.m. Every year, we invite students, families, faculty, and leaders from around the Grand Rapids area to begin the new school year with worship and inspiration. While we typically gather in person, this year we will gather online to hear words of encouragement and to lift up the new year in prayer. Join us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/Blessing-of-the-Students-112016297252230>) or YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCLbS1W7hyPc3eJEhc-9mgjQ>). You'll see messages from leaders of public, Christian, and Catholic schools; local families; clergy from area churches; and city leaders from Grand Rapids and Kentwood, including CRCNA Executive Director Colin Watson, to name a few. We look forward to having you join us!

Please submit all announcements for the 8/23 bulletin to [adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org](mailto:adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org) by **9 am on Thursday, 8/20** Thank you!

### Community Announcements

#### From Resonate Global Mission

*Heading off to campus?* - As you study, experience a multitude of perspectives and worldviews, and develop new relationships, why not also be part of a diverse community that gathers together to grow in faith and to engage God's world? There are over 35 CRC Campus Ministries on campuses across North America, comprised of students, faculty and staff. To find out if there is one on your campus please check this map: [resonateglobalmission.org/campusmap](http://resonateglobalmission.org/campusmap). No campus ministry at your school? You can also locate a nearby CRC at [crcna.org/church-finder](http://crcna.org/church-finder). For more information about our unique ministries, please contact us at [campusministry@crcna.org](mailto:campusministry@crcna.org)

#### From Safe Church Ministry

*August Safe Church Webinar with Boz Tchividjian* - Join Safe Church on August 26 at 12 pm EDT for a Zoom call with Boz Tchividjian, founder of GRACE (Godly Response to Abuse in the Christian Environment). Boz will speak to us about his many years of experience empowering Christian communities to recognize, prevent and respond to abuse. Learn more at [network.crcna.org/safe-church/august-safe-church-webinar-boz-tchividjian](http://network.crcna.org/safe-church/august-safe-church-webinar-boz-tchividjian)

#### At-Home Faith Formation Tip ([crcna.org/FaithFormation](http://crcna.org/FaithFormation)):

As the start of the school year draws near, many kids feel fearful and anxious. It's a good time to gently remind them that their identity lies not in their accomplishments, their popularity, or what others think of them. Their identity comes from being beloved children of a loving God. "See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"—1 John 3:1