



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

**September 13, 2020**

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

**God's Word:** **Pastor Dave Sieplinga** will bring a message, **Turning the World Right** from **Matthew 5:1-12**

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)  
 11:15 am      Join us for online coffee hour! (Info above)  
 11:30 am      Meet the Pastor (A-COGER)  
 1:00 pm        Kinyarwanda worship—streamed on YouTube.  
 5:30-7:00 pm   HSYG

**This Week at Oakdale**

**Monday**

7:00 pm Congregational Meeting (Outdoor—Mask Required);  
 Brief Council Meeting to Follow

**Tuesday:**

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

**Sunday, September 20:**

Online worship

10:00 am      Worship (English)  
 11:15 am      Virtual coffee hour  
 11:30 am      Meet the Pastor (COK-FOSTER)  
 1:00 pm        Worship (Kinyarwanda)  
 3:45-5:00 pm   DIVE  
 5:30-7:00 pm   HSYG

**For Your Personal & Family Prayers**

Pray for **Rose Marshall** as she had an eye appointment on Tuesday for doctors to try and reduce her eye pain. Pray that the treatment they performed will work and she will have relief from her pain and full healing.

Continue to pray for **Marilyn Ashley** and that she may feel better after having severe abdominal pain. Pray that she may have relief and healing.

Continue to pray for **Baby Nora** and **Arianna Jones** as Nora is now home. Pray for discernment on the next steps for her and for good guidance from the doctors.

Continue to pray for **Aljean Holtrop** and that her eye exercised and medication will be helpful and give relief.

Continue to pray for **Denise Jones** following her heart procedure a few weeks ago. She is doing better, but is still not at full strength. Pray for healing and energy.

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

**Praises for the gift of encouragement and how we can lift one another up in our OPC family.** A big thank you from Jessica and Harold Kuizema with their family for "flooding" her mailbox with cards for her 93rd birthday, Sunday, September 6th. All the personal notes and words of kindness brightened her day and will for the days to come. You truly blessed them and encouraged them. They know that Oakdale is remembering them in these unusual times where isolation and loneliness can often be felt. Thanks again Oakdale for bringing Jesus into lonely places!

**Oakdale Opportunities**

**High School Youth Group starts this week!** We will meet 5:30-7 in the Church courtyard. Masks are required. Please bring a camp chair.

Think back to your high school years. What adults in your life made an impact? **Youth Ministry** is still in need of adult men & women to participate in the lives of students. **Dive** needs 2 men & 2 women. **HSYG** needs 1 woman & 2 men. We are also seeking adults to form relationships with students OUTSIDE of a traditional youth group format. Contact Sammy for more information at [opcyouthdirector@gmail.com](mailto:opcyouthdirector@gmail.com).

Please submit all announcements for the 9/20 bulletin to [adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org](mailto:adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org) by 9am on 9/17.  
 Thanks!

## Oakdale Park Church

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## Oakdale Opportunities Continued

**Oakdale's Children's Ministry** season will look a lot different this year because of the pandemic. We want to continue to love on your kids. We desire that they continue to grow in their personal faith and relationship with God during this time apart. It is also important that they feel connected to and cared for by Oakdale Park Church through meaningful relationships.

Children's Ministry has adapted this ministry season and created **Faithline Nine61**. We are working on gathering Faithline Nine61 Friends. These Oakdale Park Church adults will be matched with your children 1st grade through 5th grade who have attended any of Oakdale's programming, preferably based on current relationships. They will support your child going through this uncertain time. Faithline Friends will contact the child they are matched with by phone calls, mailing notes, and distanced visits. To learn more about the FaithLine Nine61 Ministry and sign up your child(ren), go to <http://bit.ly/FaithLineNine61>

We also are in need to at least 27 volunteers to be **FaithLine Nine61 Friends** who will be appropriately matched with 2 children, preferably based on current relationships. FaithLine Friends will be encouraged to call, mail notes, have distanced visits, support 2 children going through this uncertain time, and check in via other ways. Adults who would like to get involved in supporting the FaithLine Nine61 Ministry can get more information at <http://bit.ly/FaithLineNine61Volunteer> and should contact Karen Bobo (childrendirector@oakdaleparkchurch.org) with any questions or to get involved.

**WORSHIP NEWS:** Pastor Dave is kicking off a sermon series on the Sermon on the Mount this Sunday. We will be hosting one Google Hangout Room (the first link listed) for Fellowship after each service, and one Google Hangout Room (the second link listed every week) for discussing the sermon. Feel free to hop into either room after the service. Let Pastor Shannon (616.432.1720 or sjammalhollemans@gmail.com) know if you have questions.

**In September, please pray for Jenny LeMahieu (Papau, New Guinea)**

## Oakdale Opportunities Continued

**Meet the Pastor!** You are invited to meet Pastor Dave Sieplinga, Oakdale's interim pastor, over ice cream bars on a Sunday morning after worship this fall. We'll meet, grouped by last name, at 11:30 a.m. on the plaza outside church. We will have the opportunity to hear from Pastor Dave and ask him questions. Pastor Dave will also be asking us some questions.

You are invited to join one of these events based on your last name. Please wear a mask and maintain an appropriate distance from others. We will have a microphone and speaker outside so that everyone can hear from Pastor Dave.

Sept 13 A-COGER  
September 20 COK-FOSTER  
September 27 FUENTES-JAGER  
October 4 JONES-MOORE  
October 11 NAUTA-SMITH  
October 18 SPICER-VANDERPLOEG  
October 25 VANDERSTEEN-Z

Call the Church Office (616) 452-5764 or email adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org with any questions.

## Community Announcements

**Introducing the Faith Practices Project!** - Faith Formation Ministries invites you to take a dive into transformational Christian practices (also called "spiritual disciplines") with the Faith Practices Project. Each month, find new resources for a particular practice at [crcna.org/faithformation/practices](http://crcna.org/faithformation/practices). Join us as we start with the practice of Sabbath. We hope these resources will provide new insights for how to engage with God and open ourselves to God's work in our hearts.

**At-Home Faith Formation Tip (crcna.org/FaithFormation):** "God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done." List all the things you "created" last week: work projects, meals, social media posts, family schedules, clean clothes, conversations.... Which of your creations were "very good"? Which helped others flourish? Which did not? Take some time to bring your list to God in prayer.