

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

# **September 20, 2020**

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

<u>God's Word:</u> Pastor Dave Sieplinga will bring a message, <u>A Flavorful and Favorable Righteousness</u> from Matthew 5:27-48

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: <a href="https://bit.ly/opcworship">https://bit.ly/opcworship</a> or OPC website <a href="https://oakdaleparkchurch.org/live/">https://oakdaleparkchurch.org/live/</a>. 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.

<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.

#### **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 (COK-FOSTER)
1:00 pm	Kinyarwanda worship—streamed on YouTube.
3:45-5:00 pm	DIVE
5:30-7:00 pm	HSYG

#### This Week at Oakdale

Thursday	
11:00 am	CLEAR (Small Group Meeting)

#### Sunday, September 27:

Online worship

10:00 am	Worship (English)
11:15 am	Virtual coffee hour
11:30 am	Meet the Pastor (FUENTES-JAGER)
1:00 pm	Worship (Kinyarwandan)
5:30-7:00 pm	HSYG

# For Your Personal & Family Prayers

Pray for **Jeff and Kathy DeJong's** son, **Nate DeJong**, as he had his second port put in for dialysis. Pray that he may have relief from pain around the port and for his family as they support him in this time.

Pray for **Cathy Peless's** brother, **Jerry** as he is having more heart challenges and has been meeting with doctors. Pray for wisdom for the doctors and peace for Jerry.

Pray for **Carina-Mae Hannink** (and her parents) as she has a doctor's appointment today with the pulmonologist in which they will determine if she can get off of the nasal cannula. Please pray that the appointment goes well and a next step plan is figured out. Praises for her continued progress!

Continue to pray for **Baby Nora Jones** as she grows and develops and continues to work through her health challenges.

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.

Special Thanks—"Recognizing Oakdale ministries during last Monday night's congregational meeting, I forgot to mention a ministry that is at the heart of everything that goes on at Oakdale -- that really keeps us going -- the Oakdale Prayer Line email updates from Jill Bergsma. Thank you, Jill! We really benefit from your spiritual encouragement, your reports on our needs and our thanks." - Pastor John Rozeboom

Today is Bless Our Schools Sunday, a call to prayer for our schools from Moms in Prayer International. Let us be in prayer for all of our schools, teachers, administrators, students, and those children and families doing school from home.

# **Oakdale Opportunities**

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.

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 programing, 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** 

If you would like watch the **Congregational Meeting** from this past Monday, you can view it by going to OPC's Youtube channel, or by going to <a href="https://m.youtube.com/watch?">https://m.youtube.com/watch?</a> feature=youtu.be&v=hlwAIJ7N\_P8

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Community Requests Compassion Deacon.....Tracy Anderson Secondary Compassion Deacon..... Emma Jones

### **Oakdale Opportunities Continued**

Bible Study on the Sermon on the Mount—Pastor Shannon will be leading a bible study on Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. to discuss Sunday's text and sermon each week. We started meeting on September 6 and will meet through the end of October (weather permitting) in Yoli VanderPloeg's yard, 1437 Hall St SE 49506. Bring your own bible, lawn chair, and mask. Contact Pastor Shannon if you have any questions.

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**

Oakdale Neighbors is a Christian community development organization. We work to create a neighborhood of vitality and grace by discovering, developing, and connecting neighbors' skills and resources. We're currently looking to add members from Oakdale Park who would be interested in serving on the board of directors. If this is interesting to you or you'd like more information, contact Deb Van Duinen at 773-0442 or email at dvanduinen1@gmail.com.

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

## **Community Announcements**

From Grand Rapids Christian School- The Eagles varsity Co-Op hockey team, from schools Grand Rapids Christian, West Catholic, Coopersville, and Cedar Springs, is once again sponsoring a scrap metal drive: Friday & Saturday, October 2 and 3. There will be a drop off container in the parking lot of the Eagle Ice Center which is located behind the scoreboard of Eagle Stadium (2600 Village Dr. SE). Players will be there to assist you from 3 PM until 7 PM on Friday, and from 8 AM until 5 PM on Saturday. We are collecting returnable cans and bottles too!

The team will thankfully accept anything with metal on it, in it, or around it. Appliances, golf clubs, bicycles, grills, fans, cell phones, laptops, computer towers, car parts, car batteries, marine batteries, stainless steel, metal ladders, metal tools, air conditioners, gutters, coat hangers, vacuum cleaners, etc. We cannot accept TVs or computer monitors, or anything with fuel or chemicals still left in it. Thanks for supporting our varsity hockey team!

If you have items too large to haul yourself, please contact Rachel VanSchepen (rvanschepen@grcs.org), to schedule a time for the team to pick-up your item. PLEASE NOTE: The item(s) for pick-up need to be placed OUTSIDE of your home-either in the garage or the yard. You may also bring your scrap metal to any of the PADNOS locations to drop off. Our account is GRA3360.

At-Home Faith Formation Tip (crcna.org/FaithFormation): In Keeping the Sabbath Wholly, Marva J. Dawn writes, "A great benefit of Sabbath keeping is that we learn to let God take care of us—not by becoming passive and lazy, but in the freedom of giving up our feeble attempts to be God in our own lives." Set aside some time today to reflect on the specific ups and downs of the past week, and recognize times when you attempted to be God in your own life. Then invite God to take care of you in the sorrows and joys you and those close to you experienced during the week

<sup>\*</sup>Oakdale family compassion requests, please contact your district deacon.