

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

November 22, 2020

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

<u>God's Word:</u> Pastor Shannon Jammal-Hollemans will bring a message, "I Myself Am Stepping In" from Ezekiel 34:11-24

Oakdale Park Church will be streaming worship services at **10:00 a.m**. on **Sunday mornings**, until we can meet again, on the OPC website <u>https://oakdaleparkchurch.org/live/</u>.

Offering:

Missions: Mark and Kristen Van Andel

<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 the OPC website.

Today

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

This Week at Oakdale

Thursday

10:00 amThanksgiving Service (online)After the ServiceThanksgiving Challenge (in place
of the Turkey Bowl)

Sunday, November 29:Online wor-ship10:00 amOnline Worship1:00 pmKinyarwanda Service

For Your Personal & Family Prayers

John Pastoor has moved to a different room at the home he lives in to keep him protected from COVID. As these changes are sudden and can be unsettling, pray that John will have a comfortable adjustment to his new room. If you would like to call or send a card, his new address and number are below.

SKLD Attn: John Pastoor (Room 203) 1700 Leonard NE Grand Rapids, MI 49505 (616) 931-8042

Dave Holtrop's surgery has been cancelled as his doctors have decided to perform a biopsy of his growth first. Pray that the biopsy will reveal all is well, and for both him and Aljean as they await this next procedure.

Continue to pray for **Greg and Kayla DeWeerd's** son **Maxwell** as he broke the tibia in his leg this past week and is adjusting to wearing a cast.

Denise Jones is continuing to wear her heart monitor so that the doctors can evaluate how her heart is doing. Please pray for Denise through this process. Also, pray for her as she has not been feeling well and awaits results of a COVID test.

Pray for **Rita Gray, John Nidefski, and Mike Wisneski** as they are all going through difficult health challenges. Pray for healing and restoration.

Praises that **Carina-Mae Hannink** continues to make wonderful progress and is doing well. Her pulmonologist said that she looks great and she will eventually be having another sleep study to see if she can be done with additional oxygen in the evening.

Praises that **Kelsi Jones** received a call to a church in the Chicago area. Prayers for Kelsi as she begins this next chapter of her life; for God to bless her and use her to reach others.

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.

Pray for people struggling with anxiety, depression and other mental health issues. Our church partners with Pine Rest in the CAP program. 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).

Directory Update: **Mary Browneye** has recently moved. Her new address is: Mary Browneye 2105 Raybrook St SE, Apt. 1031 Grand Rapids, MI 49546

Oakdale Announcements & Opportunities

Please join us this upcoming week for a **special Thanksgiving service.** We will be meeting online on **Thanksgiving morning at 10:00 am** to celebrate together all we have to be thankful for.

- Praises for our wonderful **Missions Committee** at OPC and all the missionaries we support and encourage. **Do you have gifts that would bless this committee at our church?** Is this an area you are passionate about? **The Missions Committee Team, led by Cathie VanderSteen, would love to talk to you to see if this is a group you could be a part of and help with.** Please prayerfully consider this opportunity and reach out to Cathie via email (cathievdsteen@gmail.com) with questions and your interest.

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In compliance with the MDHHS Public Safety Order, and upon recommendation of OPC's Administrative Team, Oakdale Park Church Staff will be working from home until 12/8/2020. While we cannot meet in person, the Body of Christ is still active. If you would like assistance or to get involved at Oakdale in any way, please reach out to us at the numbers listed below! If you would like to get ahold of an Oakdale Park Church staff member, messages can be left at (616)452-5764 and will be checked Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. You can also always contact us at adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org. If you have immediate Pastoral concerns, please reach out to Pastor Dave (231) 670-2397, Pastor James (616) 808-9371, or Pastor John (616) 560-3698.

Giving Statement: If you desire a year-to-date giving statement, please call deacon Deb Jager 723-6344 or deacon Greg DeWeerd 890-3469. They have been placed in mailboxes in past years, but will only be given upon request this year. End-of-year giving statements will be sent out in January.

You're invited to a Virtual Women's Christmas Gathering (online, not in person) on Sat. December 12, 9-10 am or Sunday, December 13, 6-7 pm. You can choose one that best suits your schedule. Our theme will be "Celebrating the Prince of Peace". We will have a time of sharing, connecting, devotions, and encouragement. Please sign up by Friday, December 4 since we have a small blessing to drop off to you before the event. To sign up: Click on this Sign Up Genius link: https://bit.ly/VirtualChristmasGathering Choose which date you would like to sign up for. Enter your name and email. Once you sign up here, we will be in touch with you by email to give further instructions. Questions? Call Cindy Plantenga (616-421-5874) or Jayne Ver Beek (616-947-4198). Hope you can join us! In November, please pray for Mark and Kristen VanAndel

NO BAKE Cinnamon Roll Fundraiser: Due to COVID-19 Gerry's Famous Cinnamon Roll fundraiser will look a little different this year. While we cannot sell and share cinnamon rolls like normal, the need to support the Christian Education Fund is still there. Please consider making a donation to the Christian Education Fund in the amount you would have spend on Cinnamon Rolls.

Youth Ministry Announcements

HSYG—Our planned gathering to practice football on Sunday afternoon is CANCELLED because of COVID and crummy weather. Sammy will contact you with alternate plans.

Thanksgiving Challenge? Are you Team HSYG or Team Council? Or are you A House Divided? Regardless, **The Virtual Turkey Bowl** needs you to take a side and propel them to victory. Because COVID restrictions keep us from gathering to play football, we're going to compete virtually. From where ever you are and who ever you're with, you can play in this year's competition. All you need to be part of the fun? A smartphone to take pictures and upload them to a Google drive folder. Ready to play? Ready to help your favorite high schoolers win? I thought so. "See" you on Thursday!

At-Home Faith Formation Tip (crcna.org/ FaithFormation):

"The Practice of Generosity — We often associate generosity with financial giving, but we can also cultivate a generous spirit in our relationships. Ponder how you might practice this in daily life, perhaps by focusing on refraining from mental criticism, attributing the best motives to people's actions, being "present" and attentive when spending time with others (especially children), or doing acts of random kindness."