



November 29, 2020

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

God's Word: Pastor Dave Sieplinga will bring a message, **Christmas Prayer** from **Isaiah 64:1-9**.

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 <https://oakdaleparkchurch.org/live/>.

Offering: Oakdale Ministry

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 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

Thursday
11 am CLEAR (small group)

Saturday
8 am Men's Zoom Breakfast

Sunday, December 6: *Online worship*
10:00 am Online Worship
1:00 pm Kinyarwanda Service

For Your Personal & Family Prayers

-**Dave Holtrop's** surgery was canceled following the results of his Cat Scan as they have decided to do a biopsy first which will take place in two weeks. Pray for peace for him and **Aljean** as they await this next procedure.

-Praises that **Denise Jones'** COVID test results were negative!

-Praises that **Mike Wisneski** is doing well!

-Pray for our **council** and the **Discernment Team** who will begin working together very soon. **Sherri Reinsma and Joel Hill** will be co-chairing the committee and others will be added to the team as well. Pray for clarity and guidance for everyone when they begin discussing numerous aspects of our church and its future and seek what God's will is in each area.

-Pray for all those grieving the loss of loved ones due to the pandemic. We think especially of **Rita Gray** and her family. Pray for peace and comfort for them following the death of Rita's cousin, **Honestie Hodges**.

-Pray for all those who are sick with COVID. Pray for full healing. Pray for the medical staff caring for those who are ill. Pray for our grocery store workers during this Thanksgiving rush to the stores and all the frontline workers. Praises for these people!

-**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 Pas-toor, Bill (&Lee) VanderKodde, John & Joan Nidefski, Alexis Coger, & Joanne Ruis.

-Congratulations to **Abraham Irakiza** and his wife **Jacqueline** as they welcomed a baby boy, **Israel**, into their family last week!

- **Congrats to our second service for celebrating their 5th anniversary of worshipping together as a church.** We give thanks that they have been able to worship together for the past 5 years and we pray that they will be blessed in the years to come.

Oakdale Announcements & Opportunities

-Save the date for the **Men's Zoom Breakfast** on December 5th (next Saturday) at 8:00AM. Looking forward to catching up with you all.

-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). If you would like to utilize this program we encourage you to reach out to your elder who will keep all information confidential.

- **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 adminassis-tant@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.

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Oakdale Opportunities & Announcements

-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.

- 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.

-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.

In November, please pray for Mark and Kristen VanAndel

- 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!**

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

"The Practice of Generosity: Our God is a generous God. Read Psalm 36:5-9, and spend some time thinking about the abundant gifts God has lavished on us in creation and in other ways. Make a list of everything you can think of that testifies to God's generosity. If there are kids in your home, invite them to draw pictures of those things. Hang your list where you can see it often!"