



**January 10, 2021**

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

**God's Word:** God's Word: **Pastor Dave Sieplinga** will bring a message, **Becoming Good Waiters** from **Psalms 122-123**.

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

Monday  
6:30 pm Council Meeting  
8:00 pm Elder/Deacon Meeting

Saturday  
8:00 am Men's Breakfast (Zoom)

**Sunday, January 17:** *Online worship*  
10:00 am Online Worship—Communion Sunday  
1:00 pm Kinyarwanda Service

### For Your Personal & Family Prayers

Please pray for peace and comfort for **Amy and Nate deVries** and their family and extended family as **Amy's mom, Gloria (Kingma) Moll**, who was residing in Ohio, passed away unexpectedly last Sunday.

**Cathy Postma** is having a second heart valve put in this week. Please pray that this procedure goes well and that she will be able to be back home by this evening. Pray for the medical staff caring for her as well.

**Denise Jones's** heart appointment was moved to this week Friday (Jan. 8). Please pray that it will go well and that she will get good guidance and answers about how to move forward and for great health.

Thank you for your prayers for the **Ruis Family** as they are continuing to grieve the loss of **Gerry's mom, Joanne**. They will be having a memorial service to celebrate her life this summer in Minnesota. Also, praises that **Karen's** back pain is better.

**John Pastoor** is still recovering from COVID. He is experiencing stomach pains and is having a difficult time concentrating. Please pray for relief for him and for peace for **Luann**.

**Pastor James' childhood friend**, who is paralyzed from the waist down, had to have surgery today due to a broken femur and tibia. Please pray for healing for him and give praises to God that the surgery went well.

**Praises for the outpouring of love and generosity that was shown to our missionaries!** From the Missions Committee, "We were so blessed with the generosity of the congregation in how they showed their love and appreciation for our missionaries. We collected nearly \$4000, so each missionary family received nearly a thousand dollars. We just praise the Lord for the gifts."

Praises for the gifts God has given to each person at our church! Praises for how God blesses our church and beyond through its members.

"Thank you for all the beautiful cards and notes that were sent to us for Christmas. They brought back many great memories from the past and were greatly appreciated. Thanks again!" - **John & Joan Nidefski**

"We would like to thank our Oakdale Family for all the cards, calls and goodies we received at Christmas. They made the holidays just a littler brighter this year. Please continue to pray for us as we journey into the unknown with the many health issues Marilyn has. The Lord has been good, and we trust that He will give us what we need for each new day." - **Duke & Marilyn Bazuin**

**Address Update:** Mars and Don VandenBos have moved. Their new address is 6747 16 Mile Rd. Cedar Springs, MI 49319.

Pray for our church as we are in transition. Pray for our **discernment team** as they seek God's guidance on next steps for our church in multiple areas. Pray that OPC will be clearly led to whoever God desires to be in the role of our next teaching pastor. Praises that God has blessed us with Pastor Dave's leadership and teaching during this time of transition.

**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.

## Oakdale Park Church

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## Oakdale Opportunities & Announcements

As you look ahead to 2021, you can also look forward to an updated church directory! **If you have moved within the last year, updated your phone number or your email and haven't informed the church office yet, please let us know.** You can submit your info to [adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org](mailto:adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org) or call the office. You are also welcomed to submit an updated family photo if you have one on hand for our photo directory to the email address above.

Next Saturday (January 16th) we will be hosting a Men's Breakfast over Zoom at 8 a.m. You can access the Zoom link by going to

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88995667226?pwd=eXFHUK0xS29hT1RoTzJUUVFpGZW1sQT09>

Meeting ID: 889 9566 7226

Passcode: 877428

**"Family Changes Everything!"** - Nationally there are 437,000 children in foster care. In Michigan there are 14,000. Have you ever thought about foster parenting? Well now is the perfect time more than ever. COVID-19 has rocked our communities leaving many children and youth vulnerable and in dire need of a loving foster family and home. This Sunday BeAnka Masefiade from Bethany Christian Services will be sharing about the need for foster families in Kent County and your local Grand Rapids community. If you would like more information before or after this talk you can contact BeAnka at [bmasefiade@bethany.org](mailto:bmasefiade@bethany.org)

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

"The Practice of Engaging Scripture: 'Visio divina' is the practice of meditating on Scripture using art or other images. Try it by reading the story of the Prodigal Son in Luke 15 and then meditating on the art in Calvin University's collection based on this story ([tinyurl.com/ProdigalArt](http://tinyurl.com/ProdigalArt))"

**In January please pray Jenny & Josh (LeMahieu) Gela (Papua New Guinea)**

**Providing Meals for the Homeless Community in Grand Rapids**—There is a small group of people working to provide hot meals, twice a day, to the unhoused community in Grand Rapids. They are currently preparing and serving an average of 30 meals at the camps around town, and are looking for people to help prepare hot food, or to help deliver the food, at lunch and dinner time every day. They can pick up food from your house and deliver it to their food distributors for you, but you need to package it separately for 30 people. Contact Pastor Shannon if you would like to sign up to prepare or deliver meals, [sjammalhollemans@gmail.com](mailto:sjammalhollemans@gmail.com) or 616.432.1720.

**Calvin University January Series** - Each year Calvin University provides a publicly accessible series of speakers on various topics related to the Christian life and worldview. This year the January Series runs from January 6 through 26, 2021 and because of COVID-19 is offered to us in the safety and comfort of our homes. They are offering an impressive lineup of speakers and topics. The series is free of charge, but you need to register to watch it. More information on the content, speakers list, and REGISTRATION details can be found at [www.calvin.edu/january](http://www.calvin.edu/january)

**From the CRCNA Back to God Ministries International** - Does Sabbath rest just mean taking a day off? Or is it more than that? Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 2:1-3, Exodus 20:8-11, Deuteronomy 5:12-15, and Hebrews 4:6-11 to better understand what God designed and intended the Sabbath for and how this spiritual discipline can draw us closer to God. Listen now at [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.