

For Your Personal & Family Prayers

We give thanks that one of our long time members, **Jessica Kuizema** had her 94th birthday this past week.

Continue to keep the **Chee family** in your prayers. A CaringBridge Site was created for **Kock-seng**. It's a caring social network to help people stay connected with family and friends during a health event. You can visit the page at <https://caringbridge.org/visit/kocksengchee> Site Name: kocksengchee

We pray for **Pastor Peter TeWinkle**, his wife **Julie**, and sons **Wil** and **Josh** who will be visiting Oakdale soon.

Pray for **Jayne VerBeek's** mom, **Bea Hoek** as she fell and fractured her pelvis. She is currently in a lot of pain and will have to have physical therapy as she heals so please keep her and their family in your prayers.

Larry Peavy has been diagnosed with COVID and is very sick. **Teresa** and **Larry JR.** also have COVID. Continue to keep Larry, Teresa, and Larry Jr. in your prayers.

Pray for **Shawn and Marie Bultsma** and their family as they have COVID. They have been teaching in Alaska and are home recovering.

Please pray for **Joel and Colleen Hill** and their family as Colleen's mom, **Judy Cook**, was diagnosed with a terminal illness. She is now on hospice care and is dealing with daily ups and downs. Also, pray for Colleen's brother-in-law **Eddie** who is recovering from COVID.

In September, please pray for **Ken & Chris VanWeerdhuizen** (Wycliffe/JAARS)

Pray for strength and encouragement for our friends: *Duke and Marilyn Bazuin, Harold & Jessica Kuizema, Roger Van't Hof, Diane DeHaan, John & Luann Pastoor, Lee VanderKodde, Jean Hoskins, Carl Welmers, John & Joan Nidefski, Betty Diemer and Alexis Coger.* **Consider sending one or more of them a note of encouragement.**

*Please send any prayer requests to be included on the prayer line to **Lisa DeYoung** at lisyady75@gmail.com or leave a voicemail or text me at 616-818-8512. If you have something of an urgent nature, just mark it "urgent prayer request".*

Invitation to Prayer

There is much to pray for at Oakdale and in our community and world today. Beyond your personal prayer times, you are invited to join on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Please let Jayne VerBeek or Cindy Plantenga know if you are planning to come.

At-Home Faith Formation—the Practice of Sabbath: Read Exodus 20:8-11 and ponder or discuss the following question: Sabbath rest is God's gift to us. How might you receive that gift with gratitude? (For more on faith practices from Faith Formation Ministries, visit crcna.org/FaithFormation/Practices.)"

Oakdale Announcements & Opportunities

Exciting news from the Discernment Team and Council:

We thank God for Pastor Peter TeWinkle as the final recommended candidate for the Teaching Pastor! He is currently the pastor at St. Croix Reformed Church, U.S. Virgin Islands. He has lived in Grand Rapids previously and is familiar with the Oakdale neighborhood. We are eager for the congregation to meet and interact with him and his family during their visit to Oakdale on September 23-26. Pastor TeWinkle will bring the message on Sunday, September 26. The discernment team feels confident about his excellent preaching skills, several years of experience as a teaching pastor, extensive training in social justice and reconciliation, commitment to urban neighborhood ministry, and his compassionate, enthusiastic leadership style. Please pray for this time of introduction to Pastor TeWinkle and an openness to see how God has led Oakdale to this place. You can find more information about Pastor TeWinkle in the office or in the email bulletin.

Oakdale Park Church - Women's Book Club

Oakdale Park Church's Women's Book Club (est.2002) will start meeting again this fall after a year off. We will meet at Oakdale, in the narthex or outdoors. Books and dates will be communicated here in the bulletin each month. Our first meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 21 to discuss *The Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley. It is a young adult novel so anyone over the age of 13 is welcome to participate! Contact Rachel (adminassistant@oakdaleparkchurch.org) if you want information about the other books and dates that are scheduled.

Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry will be starting next week!

9/19: HSYG Welcome Back BBQ (5:30-7:30 p.m.)

9/22: A New Middle School ministry begins (6:30-8 p.m.)

Parents and guardians, please fill out the registration form for your Middle School & High School students **before** they attend youth programming next week. You can access the form at <https://bit.ly/YMRegistration2021>. If you have any questions, talk to Sammy.

Women's Opportunity:

Are you interested in a Day Getaway filled with fun, fellowship & food plus time to fill ourselves with hope and encouragement? We will hear from different speakers on the topic of Hope including Crystal Woodman Miller who is a Columbine survivor. On Saturday, Oct. 9 from 9am - 3:30pm Moms In Prayer is sponsoring Awaken Hope in Holland, MI. Cost is \$40 which includes lunch, speakers and a book called Start with Praise. Scholarships are available and carpooling. Contact Cindy Plantenga 616 421 5874 or cplantenga@gmail.com.

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VANDERS-Z Terry Stokes (516-3771)

Community Requests: Ralph Mason (260-7352) & Peggy

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Incoming Deacons:

Deb VanBeek

Scott Krosschell

James DeYoung



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all-inclusive love transforms us into a
multicultural community
of hope.*

September 12, 2021

God's Word: Pastor Dave Sieplinga will bring a message under the title "**A Well Taught Tongue**" — from **Isaiah 50:4-9**.

Offering: Oakdale Ministry

Responding: Please contact the prayer team, your elder, or a pastor with any prayer requests.

Today

10:00 am Worship Service

1:00 pm Victory Fellowship at Oakdale—streamed on YouTube.

This Week At Oakdale

Monday

7:00 pm Admin. Team Mtg

Thursday

11:00 am CLEAR (small groups)

Tuesday

6:00-7:00 am Tuesday Prayer Time

Sunday

10:00 am Worship
1:00 pm Victory Fellowship

Wednesday

9:00-10:00 am Wednesday Prayer Time

Song 3/4

Song 1

Song 2

Song 3