

### NURSERY CARE FROM BIRTH TO 4 YEARS OLD

During the worship service we provide nursery care. If you need assistance, please ask an usher.

### CHILDREN'S CHURCH FOR AGES 5 TO 12 YEARS OLD

Following the children's message, children are invited to exit the sanctuary with a children's church team member and proceed upstairs (above nursery) for Children's Church. Parents, please pick up your child at this room following worship.

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

- To share** God's love with all people.
- To serve** the Lord with humility and kindness.
- To grow** with the Lord in wisdom and strength.

#### FOR PASTORAL ASSISTANCE

Pastor Jason Stump 757-630-6577 or Church 757-255-4353  
pastorstump@gmail.com or office@oaklanducc.com

*"Please no calls/texts after 8pm, or before 8am, unless it is a true emergency.  
Rev. Stump is typically off and unavailable on Friday and Saturday.  
Please consider if your contact can wait until a better time."*

#### Oakland Christian Church Staff

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Oakland Christian United Church of Christ *Est. 1872*  
Sunday, February 2, 2025



*Whoever you are or wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here!*

## Contributing to Worship Today

Minister .....Rev. Jason Stump  
 Minister of Music .....Paul Putnam  
 Liturgist ..... Rick Vroman

 Let us know you are here by signing the red pad on the back of the pew in front of you.

### ADULT SPIRITUAL FORMATION (Nursery Available)

Sunday 10am to 10:45am

Friendship Class - Sunday School Room - Godwin Building

Coffee & Company - Community Life Center

Sunday 11am - Worship Gathering in Sanctuary

### CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Feb 4 Loaves & Fishes meeting - Sanctuary Hall (10am)

Feb 5 Women's Bible Study - CLC (9:45am)

Feb 7 Friday Night Fellowship - CLC (6:30pm)

Feb 9 Church Conference - CLC (following worship) *lunch served*

Feb 12 Women's Bible Study - CLC (9:45am)

Feb 16 Orientation for new members - CLC (following worship)

Feb 18 Jewels - CLC ( 6pm) *Hostesses Sadie, Kirsten, and Carole*

Feb 18 Men's Fellowship - location to be advised (6pm)

*Choir & Bell rehearsals Thursday 6:30pm & 7:30pm respectively.*

*Minister of Music will communicate exceptions to practice.*

Attendance Last Sunday 102

\*Weekly Collection (1/20 -26) \$5,670.72 Year to Date: \$18,080.72

\*Collection to the General Fund - Includes online & mailed in offerings.

Giving: Call the office and Connie can get you set up online, or provide you with offering envelopes. 757-255-4353.



### Friday Night Fellowship

February 7th @ 6:30 pm

“Gather Around the Table” for good fellowship.  
 Coffee, Cocoa, & Cold drinks



### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9th - Following worship with lunch

Review of the previous year's reports and financial situation.



### New Member Sunday

What a celebration it will be!

The next New Member Sunday will be held on  
 Palm Sunday, April 13th

If you'd like to join the church in the covenant of membership, please reach out to Pastor Stump or the church office.

### Membership Classes

There will be two orientation sessions for you to pick from  
 February 16th or March 9th after worship.

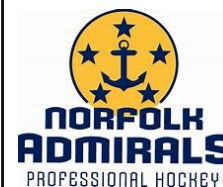
### CHURCH OUTING!

Norfolk Admirals Hockey Game Feb 23rd

Tickets \$17 | Game at 3:00 pm

Questions contact Samantha Fly

757-685-6647



Sign up online!

<https://forms.gle/DD3ChKBKSuqLYuJw5>



For More Information  
 757-685-6647





## IN OUR PRAYERS

### Home

Colen Hodgson	Rev. Mary Anne Biggs	Charles Johnson
Randy Rowell	Jackie Pierce	Anne Hodgson
Barbara Nelms	John Mellon	

### In the Hospital and Nursing Homes

Marguerite Butler - Accordius Health  
Chris Hathaway - Dockside Health - Locust Hill, VA

### Prayers for Friends and Family

DeAnne Price (Sadie & Dale Boyer's friend)	John Venzyl (Pastor Stump's friend)
Anonymous (Jean Keeling's friend)	Jason Pruss (Samantha Fly's brother)
Eileen Murphy (Mary Haddad's cousin)	Michael Schine (Karen Schine's husband)
Rob Johnson (Julie & John Johnson's son)	Joe Jackson (Yolanda Jackson's husband)
Charla Mathes (Samantha Fly's friend)	Kathy Duval (Laurel Johnson's friend)
Sidney Preedy (Sharon Winslow's father)	Tim Boyer (Babler family friend)
Karen Beck (Laurel Johnson's sister-in-law)	Loretta Overholt (Wilma Roth's sister)
Barb Howell (Pam & Paul Saunders' friend)	Jane Waller (Kim Waller's mother)
Heather Brookover (Kirsten Creely's friend)	Bobby Baker (Cherly Rudd's friend)
Naomi Shockley (June Felton's great niece)	Judy Shiers (Cheryl Rudd's friend)
Danny Perryman (Susie Eaton's uncle)	Anne Ducate (Sadie Boyer's sister)
Alexa Frey (Danna & Rick Vroman's great niece)	
Payton Vroman (Danna & Rick Vroman's granddaughter)	
Terry Wilburn (Denise & Frank Spady's friend)	
Sandy and Wally Fuchs (Laurel Johnson's sister and brother in-law)	
Greyson Culpepper (Rhonda Culpepper's grandson)	
Ronald Burton (Sharon and Rodger Burton's son)	
Jerry Richardson (Nancy Spady's son-in-law)	

## A GATHERING FOR WORSHIP FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

A GATHERING ALLELUIA                      *"Alleluia, Alleluia"*

THE WORDS OF GREETING

THE PRELUDE                      *"Shall We Gather at the River"*                      *arr. Owens*

\*HYMN OF GATHERING                      *"Let the Whole Creation Cry"*                      NO. 21

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Inspired by Psalm 71)

Liturgist: In the Holy One, we take refuge; let us never be put to shame. Our praise is continually of you.

**People: In your righteousness deliver us and hear our cries for justice and peace.**

Liturgist: In the Holy One, we draw strength; let us never be put to shame. Our praise is continually of you.

**People: Be a rock of refuge for the vulnerable, a strong fortress to save creation, for you are our rock and fortress.**

Liturgist: In the Holy One, we receive courage; let us never be put to shame. Our praise is continually of you.

**People: Rescue us, O my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of the unjust and cruel, for you, Holy One, are our hope and trust.**

\*THE GLORIA PATRI                      NO. 35

YOU MAY BE SEATED . . .

*\*Stand if you are able*



**INVOCATION**

**PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE (UNISON)**

**God Who Knows Us, we pray that you form and shape us anew. Remind us who we are and draw us back to you. Transform us in love, correct us with compassion, and lead us with clarity into the paths of righteousness, truth, and peace. Forgive us for the ways that we reject your presence, your guidance, and your will. Redeem and restore us as your beloved creation and active citizens of your kin-dom. In Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

**WORDS OF GRACE**

**LET THE CHILDREN COME**

*Children may head to Children's Church after the message.*

**THE ANTHEM**

*"After Giving Thanks, Remember Me" McDonald*

**THE MORNING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**THE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER RESPONSE**

*Open my eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,  
To reach out and touch him and say that we love him.  
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.  
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.*

**THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGES**

PSALM 71: 1-6 (OT PG. 532)  
1 CORINTHIANS 13: 1-13 (NT PG. 175)  
LUKE 4: 21-30 (NT PG. 61)

LITURGIST  
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PASTOR

**SERMON**

**"WHO IS GOD ROOTING FOR?"**

**COMMUNION HYMN**

*"I Come With Joy"*

No. 420

**THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Words of Invitation  
Words of Thanksgiving  
Words of Remembrance  
Words of Institution  
Words of Prayer

**THE WORSHIP OF OFFERING**

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY  
THE OFFERTORY  
\*THE DOXOLOGY  
\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

No. 46

**\*THE HYMN OF PARTING** *"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"* No. 453

**\*THE COMMISSIONING (UNISON)**

**Let us now go forth into the world in peace,  
to be of good courage, to hold fast to that which is good,  
to render to no one evil for evil, to strengthen the fainthearted,  
to support the weak, to help the afflicted,  
and to rejoice in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**\*THE CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

*Go in peace and the peace of God be with you this day,  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always,  
Celebrate and share the joy! Celebrate new life,  
Go in peace and the peace of God be with you always.*

**\*POSTLUDE**

*\*Stand if you are able*