

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, May 4, 2025



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

Contributing to Worship Today

Minister Rev. Jason Stump
Minster of Music Paul Putnam
Liturgist Helena Burgess

😊 *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

May 15 Loaves & Fishes Meeting and Food Distribution - CLC (10am)

May 15 Self Defense Course for Women—CLC (4pm)

May 20 Jewels - hostesses Dana M, Sandra J, Mary Jane - CLC (6pm)

May 20 Men's Fellowship - George's Steakhouse 1260 Holland Rd - 6pm

May 25 Deadline for Newsletter articles

May 28 Council Meeting - Little Kitchen (6pm)

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

Minister of Music will communicate exceptions to practice.

Attendance (Last Sunday): 100

Weekly General Fund Giving (April 21 - 27) \$5,355.67

Year-to-Date General Fund Giving (Jan 1–April 27) \$107,192.45

Includes in-person, online, and mailed offerings.

Want to set-up your giving? Call the office **757-255-4353** and Connie will be happy to help you get set up for **online giving** OR provide **offering envelopes**



Ages 3 to 5

The Isle of Wight Christian Outreach Program Food For Thought literacy initiative is in need of new and gently read books for distribution to Isle of Wight children, **ages 3-5!**

If you are able to donate books, please bring them to the church and place them in the donation box in the Sanctuary Hall.

THANK YOU for partnering with us to empower Isle of Wight children through the gift of literacy!

✝ Prayer List Update

Thank you for faithfully praying for those on our church prayer list. Your care and compassion mean so much.

If you have previously added someone to the list and feel they may no longer need to remain, please contact the church office so we can keep the list up to date.

If someone on the list **would be encouraged by a note from the church**, we'd be happy to send one. Just let us know their name and mailing address.

Thank you for being part of this ministry of prayer and encouragement.

— *Church Office*



"Beginning next Sunday we will have a collection box available **to recycle household alkaline batteries.** AAA, AA, C, D, and 9V only. You can also look at the bulletin board for additional collection sites."

 **IN OUR PRAYERS**

HOME

Sadie Boyer Mildred King Colen Hodgson Rev. Mary Anne Biggs
Charles Johnson

Randy Rowell Jackie Pierce Anne Hodgson John Mellon
Jean Jordan

IN THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOMES

Barbara Nelms - Sentara Norfolk General Hospital
Michael McNerny - Concordia Transitional Care - Nansemond Pointe Rm:331
Peggy Shackelford - Lake Prince Skilled Care Marguerite Butler - Accordius Health
Chris Hathaway - Dockside Health - Locust Hill, VA

PRAYERS FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Megan Perez (Pastor Stump's friend)
Eddie Mitchell (Sandra Johnston's brother)
Lori Staudy (Sandra Johnston's neighbor)
Christine Burgess (Jesse Burgess' mother)
Courtney Roggmann (Theresa and Robert Beale's daughter)
Darrell Mayo (Denise & Frank Spady's friend)
Hilda Mitchell (John Mitchell's mother)
Marie Walsh (Mary Haddad's cousin)
Michael Schine (Karen Schine's husband)
Ronald Burton (Sharon and Rodger Burton's son)
Karen Beck (Laurel Johnson's sister-in-law)
Charla Mathes (Samantha Fly's friend)
Naomi Shockley (June Felton's great niece)
Stasia and Danny Perryman (Susie Eaton's uncle)
Sandy and Wally Fuchs (Laurel Johnson's sister and brother in-law)
Kathy Duval (Laurel Johnson's friend)
Loretta & David Overholt (Wilma Roth's sister and brother-in-law)
Tim Boyer (Babler family friend)
Eileen Murphy (Mary Haddad's cousin)
Alexa Frey (Danna & Rick Vroman's great niece)

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

GATHERING SONG

"Alleluia, Alleluia"

THE WORDS OF GREETING

THE PRELUDE

"Dundee"

Lovelace

***HYMN OF GATHERING**

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

NO. 22

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP** (*After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he showed himself in this way...John 21:1*)

Liturgist: You'd think, by now, we would get used to him showing up like this.

People: Chuckatuck Side: Inviting us to cast the net deeper and wider.

Suffolk Side: Showing us the way to abundance is leaning into new possibilities

Liturgist: We are starting to open ourselves to these hauntings.

People: Chuckatuck Side: Encouraging us to share what we have and watch it multiply.

Suffolk Side: Showing us the way to flourishing is together.

Liturgist: We are learning to recognize Him asking about love.

People: Chuckatuck Side: Calling us to tend and nourish each other.

Suffolk Side: Showing us the way to new life is new solidarities.

Liturgist: You'd think, by now we would get used to Jesus in our midst.

People: Chuckatuck side: Welcoming us to the worship that is love in action.

Suffolk Side: Showing us the way to transformation is mutual belovedness.

All: Let us worship God, because we know in our bones, everywhere we turn, it is the Lord!

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

YOU MAY BE SEATED . . .

No. 35

INVOCATION

PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE (UNISON)

Generous Creator, forgive us when we believe the lies that scarcity tells us:

If they just worked harder...

I've earned everything I have...

There won't be enough if I share...

I have to protect what's mine...

Safety comes from holding on to what I have...

I can't count on anyone but myself...

Gracious Redeemer, teach us to cast our nets differently.

Time of Silent Reflection

WORDS OF GRACE

THE ANTHEM

"In Remembrance"

Red/Fettke

LET THE CHILDREN COME *(Children may head to Children's Church after the message.)*

***THE PRAYER HYMN**

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

No. 638

THE MORNING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

THE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER RESPONSE

Because he Lives, I can face tomorrow;

Because he lives, all fear is gone;

Because I know he holds the future,

And life is worth the living just because he lives.

THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

ACTS 9: 1-20 (NT PG. 127)

JOHN 21: 1-19 (NT PG. 115)

LITURGIST

PASTOR

SERMON

"RE-DISCIPLLED"

THE ORDER FOR HOLY COMMUNION

THE WORSHIP OF OFFERING

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

THE OFFERTORY

*THE DOXOLOGY

No. 46

*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

Pastor: For the bread broken and shared, for the nourishment of each other,

People: We dedicate ourselves and our offerings. Thanks be to God.

Pastor: For dignity and belovedness, for the blessing of together.

People: We dedicate ourselves and our offerings. Thanks be to God.

Leader: For the abundance of love that the world cannot take away.

People: We dedicate ourselves and our offerings. Thanks be to God.

***PARTING HYMN**

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

No. 234

***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.

**Stand if you are able*