#### 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.

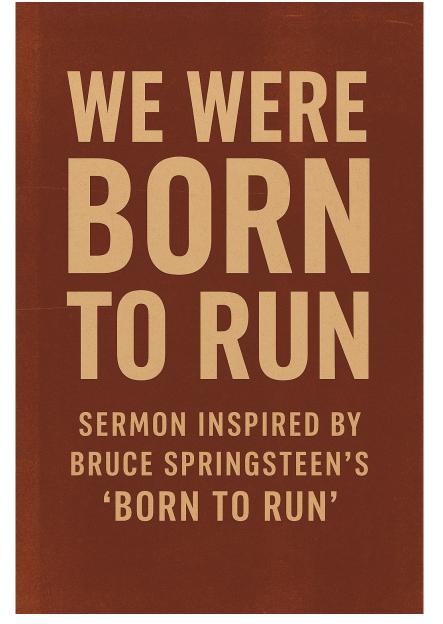
#### FOR PASTORAL ASSISTANCE

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."

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Oakland Christian United Church of Christ Est. 1872 Sunday, June 29, 2025



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

# Contributing to Worship Today

Minister	ev. Jason Sump
Minster of Music	. Paul Putnam
Liturgist	Julie Johnson



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

- June 29 Deacon Meeting CLC (after church)
- June 29 Trustee Meeting Little Kitchen (after church)
- July 2 Splash Bible Study Location TBA (10am)
- July 6-12 Housing Immanuel UCC from PA-Providing missionary work in our community.
- July 9 Splash Bible Study Location TBA (10am)
- Jul 14-19 Jason will be at John's River Valley Camp as Camp Chaplain.
- July 16 Splash Bible Study Location TBA (10am)
- July 17 Loaves & Fishes Food Distribution and Meeting CLC (10am)
- July 18 Friday Night Fellowship CLC (6:30pm)
- July 23 Council Meeting Little Kitchen (6pm)
- July 25 Deadline for Church Newsletter Articles

Attendance (Last Sunday): 89

Weekly General Fund Giving (June 16—June 22) \$4,744.38 Year-to-date General Fund Giving (Jan 1—June 22) \$144,090.54

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 to provide offering envelopes.

#### **WEEKLY REFLECTION**

This week, ask yourself:

- What are you running from?
- What are you running toward?
- Where do you see God along the way?

And then take one step:

- Reach out to someone who needs a running partner, someone who needs hope.
- Write down one thing you're hoping for—and pray it, boldly.
- Or just lace up your sneakers, go for a walk, and listen for God along the way.

Because this faith we live? It's not meant to stay still. We were born to run... but we're not running alone.



# Loaves and Fishes Ministry—CHRISTMAS IN JULY

We are collecting essential household supplies to share with our recipients—individuals and families in need of support. These items help maintain a clean and healthy living environment.



Please consider picking up a few items and bringing them to church. We will collect items through **Sunday**, **July 13th**. And Pastor Jason will offer a blessing over the donations before they are distributed.

Thank you for your continued generosity and care!

#### **ITEMS NEEDED**

Laundry Detergent	Dish Soap	Bath Soap
Toilet Paper	Paper Towels	Shampoo
Toothpaste	Toothbrushes	Tissues
Dental Floss	Trash Bags	Batteries



## **HOME**

Rev. Mary Anne Biggs Mildred King Colen Hodgson Charles Johnson Randy Rowell Jackie Pierce Anne Hodgson

## IN THE HOSPITAL AND NURSING HOMES

Marguerite Butler - Accordius Health

Chris Hathaway - Dockside Health - Locust Hill, VA

#### PRAYERS FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Eddie Mitchell (Sandra Johnston's brother)

Lori Staudy (Sandra Johnston's neighbor)

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)

Judy Shiers (Cheryl Rudd's friend)

Heather Brookover (Kirsten Creely's friend)

Anne Ducate (Sadie Boyer's sister)

# A GATHERING FOR WORSHIP THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**GATHERING SONG** 

"Alleluia, Alleluia"

THE WORDS OF GREETING

THE PRELUDE

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing" arr

arr. Hayes

\*HYMN OF GATHERING

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

No. 61

\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Come, weary travelers, dreamers, and seekers—

People: We are searching for something more, a place where hope is alive.

Liturgist: Come, all who feel restless, bound, or burdened—

People: We long to run toward freedom, love, and grace.

Liturgist: In Christ, the road opens before us.

People: This is the journey we were born for. Let us worship God.

\*THE GLORIA PATRI

No. 35

You May Be Seated . . .

**INVOCATION** 

PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE (UNISON)

Christ, have mercy on me. Lord, have mercy on us—and on all. We confess our sins. We cling to comfort. We resist change. We think of others as less than us. Have mercy on us—and on all. Gracious God, Strengthen us to offer grace. Stir us to care for your creation. Shape us to live your love. You love us. We love you. Let our lives show it. Amen.

WORDS OF GRACE

THE ANTHEM "Then Sings My Soul"

"' arr. McDonald

LET THE CHILDREN COME

Children are invited to attend Children's Church following the message.

\*THE PRAYER HYMN

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

No. 612

THE MORNING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

THE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER RESPONSE

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is peace.
Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is love.
There is comfort in life's darkest hour,
There is light and life,
There is help and power in the Spirit.
In the Spirit of the Lord.

THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

ISAIAH 40: 25-31 (OT PG. 668) ROMANS 8: 18-30 (NT PG. 158) LUKE 4: 16-30 (NT PG. 61) LITURGIST LITURGIST PASTOR **SERMON SERIES:** 

FAITH, HOPE, & ROCK N ROLL – SCRIPTURE IN THE KEY OF SPRINGSTEEN

**SERMON TITLE:** 

"WE WERE BORN TO RUN"

THE WORSHIP OF OFFERING

INVITATION TO GENEROSITY

THE OFFERTORY

\*THE DOXOLOGY

No. 46

\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

\*THE PARTING HYMN

"Precious Name"

No. 625

\*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.

Today's altar flowers are given by Pat Branche
to the honor and glory of our gracious God and in memory of
her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Mason Jones,
and her grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. H. O. Swanner and Mr. & Mrs. Mason Jones, Sr.