Nursery Care From Birth to 3 Years Old

During the worship service we provide nursery care. Please ask an usher for help.

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
pastorstump@gmail.com

Pastor Stump welcomes the opportunity to walk alongside you through the joys, questions, challenges, and transitions of life and faith.

He is available to meet in person by appointment *and may also be reached by phone, text, or email. For non-urgent matters, please call or text Monday through Thursday between* ***8am and 8pm*** *For pastoral emergencies, please reach out at any time.*

Noise-Cancelling Headphones Available

To help make worship welcoming and accessible for everyone, noise-cancelling headphones for both adults and children are available. If you or a family member would like to use a pair during worship, please see an usher before the service. We hope this resource helps everyone participate in worship comfortably.

Oakland Christian Church Staff

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Oakland Christian United Church of Christ *Est. 1872*

Sunday, October 4, 2026

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

Contributing to Worship Today

Minister . . . . . Rev. Jason Stump
Guest Minister . . . . . Rev. Kelly Brill
Minister of Music . . . . . .Paul Putnam

Please sign the red pad to let us know you're worshiping with us today

ADULT SPIRITUAL FORMATION (Nursery Available)
Sunday 10am to 10:45am
Friendship Class - Sunday School Room - Godwin Hall 1st Floor
Sunday 11am - Worship Gathering in the Sanctuary

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Tue	Oct 6	Candy Making - CLC - (10am)
Thur	Oct 8	Candy Making - CLC - (10am)
Mon	Oct 12	Office Closed - Columbus Day
Tue	Oct 13	Candy Making - CLC - (10am)
Wed	Oct 14	Council Meeting - Godwin Room (6pm)
Thur	Oct 15	Loaves & Fishes Meal Bag Distribution - CLC Portico (11am)

Bell Choir rehearsals 6:30pm and Chancel Choir rehearsals 7:30pm, every Thursday night.
Minister of Music will communicate exceptions to practice.

Attendance (Last Sunday) 81

Online Giving

Weekly General Fund Giving (Sept. 21 - Sept. 27) $ 5,577.00
Year-to-date General Fund Giving (Jan - Sept. 27) $237,621.29
Includes in-person, online, and mailed in offerings.

Offering Envelopes call the office **757-255-4353** and Connie will be happy to provide offering envelopes.

Invitation to Generosity

Please share your tithes and offerings by using the plates in the rear of the sanctuary.

October is Pastor Appreciation Month!

This is a special time when we can let Pastor Stump know how much we appreciate him. Reach out to him, give him a hug or handshake, and let him know how much we support and appreciate all that he does.

We always like to celebrate with cake, so on **October 11th**, we will celebrate together in the Fellowship Hall and show our love and support for our Pastor!

Calling Meals on Wheels Volunteers

Are you looking for a meaningful way to serve others in our community? **Meals on Wheels is always looking for new volunteers!**

If you are interested in helping with this important ministry, please contact Kitty at kbsalon@gmail.com or **757-377-6552** for more information.

Calling All Hands!

It's time for **Fall Candy Making!** Come join us for a wonderful time of **fellowship, fun, and great people** as we make our delicious fall candy.

Please mark your calendar and **come when you can—we need you!** Every helping hand makes a difference, and there's always plenty of laughter and good fellowship along the way.

Tuesdays: October 6, 13 & 20 **(10AM)** **Thursdays:** October 8, 15 & 22

Come for an hour, stay for the day—**we'd love to have you!**

"You can help standing or seated"

Hear Our Prayers

HOME

Linnie Jordan Roger Burton Colen Hodgson Mildred King
Charles Johnson Randy Rowell

IN THE HOSPITAL, NURSING HOMES, AND REHABILITATION

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

PRAYERS FOR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Michael Johnson (Susie Eaton's brother)
Michael Teague (Peggy and Eddie Walker's son in law)
David Martin (Susie's nephew) Young Veteran
Patricia Parker (Sharon Creekmore's sister)
Pam Nevin (Paul Putnam's sister)
Rick Rowlands (Cheryl Rowlands' husband)
Joe Jackson (Yolanda Jackson's husband)
Jeni McAllister (Doris Schompert's daughter, Mahjongg group)
Laura Haas (Rev. Stump's aunt) Lucas Roosa (Rev. Stump's friend)
Julio Cortez (Peyton Wise's Boyfriend) - Shepherd Center Rehab, Atlanta, Georgia
Judy Gayle (Part of our church family)
Debbie Williams (Roger and Sharon Burton's daughter)
Jean Ward (Sharon Winslow's sister)
Millie Taylor (Susie Eaton's friend)
John Byrum, Sr.. (Ginny Fly's father)
Eddie Mitchell (Sandra Johnston's brother) Lori Staudy
Jane Waller (Kim Waller's mother)
David Overholt (Wilma Roth's brother-in-law)
Tim Boyer (Cheri Babler's friend)
Eileen Murphy (Mary Haddad's cousin)
Alexa Frey (Danna & Rick Vroman's great-niece)
Judy Shiers (Cheryl Rudd's friend)
Anne Ducate (Sadie Boyer's sister)

A GATHERING FOR WORSHIP
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A GATHERING ALLELUIA *"Alleluia, Alleluia"*

THE WORDS OF GREETING

THE PRELUDE *"Prelude on Tallis' Canon"* *arr. Young*

***THE HYMN OF GATHERING** *"The Church's One Foundation"* NO. 272

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Liturgist: In a world that remains divided and in conflict, God is inviting us, to make us one.

People: Today we gather around one table, in answer to God's will.

Liturgist: What do we find at today's table?

People: God's love, which endures all things and connects all things.

Liturgist: What is not at today's table?

People: The many powers of the world, which seek to stand over others.

Liturgist: Let us repent, and give thanks to God's power to bring salvation to all who believe.

People: Thanks be to God! Make us witnesses of Your love.

All: Let us worship together the true God, who makes us one.

***GLORIA PATRI** NO. 35

YOU MAY BE SEATED . . .

**Stand if you are able*

INVOCATION

PRAYER FOR TRANSFORMATION AND NEW LIFE (UNISON)

Righteous God, you have given us blueprints to follow for living a faithful life. Your commandments are clear and your example considerable. Yet, we often drift away from loving you, loving our neighbor, and loving ourselves. Remind us that the path to flourishing, full life is love. Lead us back to that everlasting path so that we might be fruitful and give glory to your name. Amen.

WORDS OF GRACE

THE ANTHEM *"You Are Mine" arr. Hayes*

LET THE CHILDREN COME

Following the message, children (Pre-K through Grade 3) are welcome to join our youth teacher at the kids table near the little kitchen for a special time of learning and worship.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

THE CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER RESPONSE

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom

THE SCRIPTURE PASSAGES

EPHESIANS 4 - SELECTED VERSES

SERMON "BUILDING UP THE BODY OF CHRIST "

***THE COMMUNION HYMN** *"I Come With Joy"* No. 420

THE ORDER OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE WORSHIP OF OFFERING

OFFERING OF OURSELVES
***THE DOXOLOGY** NO. 46
***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING**

***THE PARTING HYMN** *"They'll Know We Are Christians"* NO. 494

***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 Lynn and Kirk Barrett
to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of their sons,
Michael and Blake

****Stand if you are able***