

## September – November at a Glance

**August 27-September 3:** Family Promise  
**September 3:** Sunday morning opportunities only. Happy Labor Day!  
**September 5:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM  
**September 7:** Lunch Bunch, 11:30; Thursday Night Bible Study, 8PM  
**September 10:** All Sunday opportunities (morning & evening)  
**September 11:** Men's Bible Study, 8PM  
**September 12:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM  
**September 13:** Wednesday Night Kick-Off, 5PM  
**September 14:** Thursday Night Bible Study, 8PM  
**September 16:** St. Anne's International Festival, 3:45PM  
**September 17:** All Sunday opportunities (morning & evening)  
**September 18:** Men's Bible Study, 8PM  
**September 19:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM  
**September 20:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM  
**September 21:** Thursday Night Bible Study, 8PM  
**September 24:** All Sunday opportunities (morning & evening)  
**September 25:** Men's Bible Study, 8PM  
**September 26:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM; Merry Makers Picnic  
**September 27:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM  
**September 28:** Thursday Night Bible Study, 8PM  
**September 30:** Women's Brunch, 10AM  
**October 1:** All Sunday opportunities (morning & evening)  
**October 2:** Men's Bible Study, 8PM  
**October 3:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM  
**October 4:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM  
**October 5:** Lunch Bunch, 11:30; Thursday Night Bible Study, 8PM  
**October 7:** NAMI Walk at Cherry Park, 8:45AM  
**October 8:** Sunday morning opportunities and adult music rehearsals. No Children or Youth activities.  
**October 9:** Men's Bible Study, 8PM  
**October 10:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 6:15PM  
**October 11:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM  
**October 15:** All Sunday opportunities (morning and evening)  
**October 16:** Men's Bible Study, 8PM  
**October 17:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM  
**October 18:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM  
**October 19:** Thursday Night Bible Study, 8PM  
**October 21:** Day of Service with Pleasant Ridge  
**October 22:** Men's Breakfast, 8AM; All Sunday opportunities (morning and evening)  
**October 23:** Men's Bible Study, 8PM  
**October 24:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM; Merry Makers, 12:30PM  
**October 25:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM  
**October 27-29:** Youth Fall Retreat  
**October 29:** All Sunday opportunities (morning and evening) except for afternoon Youth activities. All Saints Sunday.  
**October 30:** Men's Bible Study, 8PM  
**October 31:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM  
**November 1:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM  
**November 2:** Lunch Bunch, 11:30AM  
**November 3-5:** Women's Retreat  
**November 5:** All Sunday opportunities (morning and evening)  
**November 7:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM  
**November 8:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM  
**November 12:** All Sunday opportunities (morning and evening), Veteran's Lunch  
**November 14:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM  
**November 15:** Wednesday Night activities, 5PM  
**November 19:** Sunday morning opportunities and adult music rehearsals. No Children or Youth activities.  
**November 22:** NO Wednesday Night Activities. Happy Thanksgiving!  
**November 26:** All Sunday opportunities (morning and evening)  
**November 28:** Men's Bible Study, 8AM; Ladies Bible Study, 9AM & 6:15PM; Merry Makers, 12:30PM  
**November 29:** Wednesday Night Activities, 5PM

We are a church that values:

- Relationships
- Spiritual Growth in Christ
- Missions

## Stay Connected!

Check out our Weekly Update each Thursday for current events.

**If you do not currently receive electronic communication from us, contact Missy Snipes or Thereasa Crabb in the Church Office so you can begin receiving our Weekly Update, Prayer Guide, and other special announcements.**

**If you are not currently connected to Breeze, contact Missy or Thereasa.** Please keep your contact information up to date. If you move, get a new phone number, or new email address, let us know. \*\*Breeze allows you to update your own picture and contact information.\*\*

If you are traveling, take us with you! Join us online for our worship services at [youtube.com/obcrockhill](https://youtube.com/obcrockhill).

The Church Office will be closed on the following days in 2023-2024: **September 4, November 23-24, December 22, 25-26, January 1, January 15, April 1, May 27, July 4.**

Church Office hours are 8AM - 3PM, Monday - Friday. Should you need to speak to a minister after hours, please call 803-328-3864 and press 0 to leave a message for the on call minister. Your phone call will be returned quickly. **All of our ministers are available via their personal cell phone at anytime.**

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## Fall Ministry Guide September – November 2023

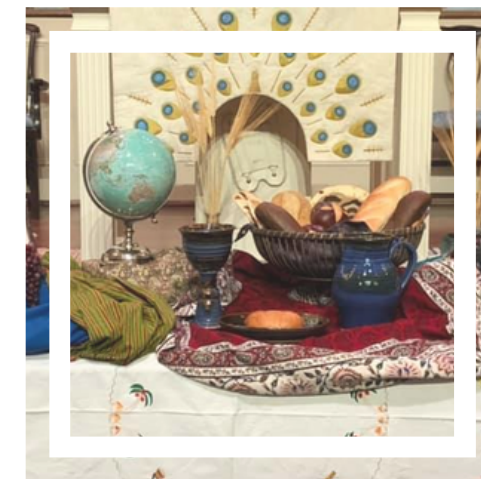
Worship, Sunday School, Choir, Youth Group, Mission Movers, Bells, and more! We look forward to #growingatOBC with you on Sundays this Fall. If you need help finding the right class to connect with or want to participate in any of the other activities and need more information, contact the Church Office. We would love to help you get more involved.

### Sundays at OBC

8:50AM-9:15AM: Coffee and Pastries in the Fellowship Hall  
 9:15AM-10:15AM: Sunday School  
 10:30AM-11:30AM: Worship

### All afternoon activities resume September 10

4PM-4:30PM: Children's Bells (4th & 5th Graders)  
 4:30PM-5:15PM: Youth Bells (6th -12th Graders)  
 4:30PM-5PM: Children's Choir (K - 5th Graders)  
 5:15PM-6PM: Youth Choir (6th -12th Graders)  
 5PM-6PM: Missions Movers (K - 5th Graders)  
 6PM-7:15 PM: Adult Choir (all adults are welcome!)  
 6PM-7:30PM: Youth Group (6th - 12th Graders)  
 7:15PM-8PM: Adult Bells (all adults are welcome!)



### Fall Worship Series

**September:**

Journeying through Exodus

**October:**

Missions Month

**November:**

Growing in Gratitude

### NEW Sunday School Class for Adults beginning September 10

Adults of all ages and stages are invited to our new intergenerational Sunday School class led by Leigh Reynolds. Whether you have not connected to a Sunday School class yet or it's been a long time and you're ready for a fresh start, this is the place for you! We will meet each Sunday at 9:15AM in the Chapel for a conversation based on the scripture being used in worship.

## September

### Associate Minister Call Weekend

September 9-10

Our Associate Minister Search Committee has been hard at work, and they are excited to present the candidate for Associate Minister for Children and Youth at OBC. Below is a list of opportunities to meet our candidate.

#### Saturday, September 9

**9AM-10AM:** Children and their parents are invited to come have a doughnut in the Fellowship Hall and meet the candidate.

**10AM-11:30AM:** Anyone from the congregation is invited to stop by the Fellowship Hall and meet the candidate.

**11:30AM-1PM:** Youth and their parents are invited to come have some pizza in the Fellowship Hall and meet the candidate.

#### Sunday, September 10

**8:30AM-9:15AM:** If you were not able to attend Saturday's meet and greets, the candidate will be in the Fellowship Hall before Sunday School.

**10:30AM-11:30AM:** The candidate will be in worship and will share part of their testimony. Following worship we will vote by secret, paper ballot to call this person as our Associate Minister of Children and Youth.



#### St. Anne's International Festival: September 16, 3:45PM

Join us for a fun time of fellowship as we, also, learn more about our neighbors. Meet in the church parking lot at 3:45PM to caravan. To sign up: oaklandchurch.com/sign-me-up.

#### Bethel Shelter Week of Love: September 24-30

You have to eat, so why not let the cost of your meal go to a good cause? A portion of all purchases at each of the restaurants on the days listed below will support the ministry of Bethel Shelter. For more information: bethelshelters.org

**September 24:** The Little Cafe, **September 25:** Sub Station II, **September 26:** El Cancun & Ay Papi, **September 27:** Showmars (Herlong), **September 28:** Pier 51, **September 29:** RoCo, **September 30:** BBQ Sale at Bethel.

#### Ladies Brunch: September 30, 10AM

Ladies, you are invited to join us for brunch at OBC with guest speaker Rev. Kelly Strum. Kelly was recently named the Baptist Women in Ministry Woman Minister of the Year. The cost is \$10 per person. Additionally, a love offering will be taken for Kononia and you are encouraged to bring new or gently used bras for the Ministry Center.



#### Say Cheese!

September 10, 17, 24



Help us update our digital Breeze directory by smiling for the camera on September 10th, 17th, or 24th. We will have people with cameras at each of the doors as you enter and exit church on those Sundays, taking pictures. This will be quick and painless! There will be no sales pitch, just a quick photo so we can update our digital directory.

## October

#### NAMI Walk: October 7

Join the Oakland Baptist Church Team at Cherry Park as we participate in this important event which serves as a fundraiser for NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness). We will meet in the Cherry Park parking lot at 8:45AM. This walk is good for your physical health and everyone's mental health. To sign up to walk or make a financial contribution, go to oaklandchurch.com/sign-me-up



#### Day of Service: October 21

We are joining with our friends from Pleasant Ridge for a day of service. We will meet at Pleasant Ridge for breakfast and a devotion before scattering around the city to help our neighbors in need. To sign up: oaklandchurch.com/sign-me-up.

#### Men's Breakfast: October 22, 8AM

Men, you are invited to join us for breakfast in the gym followed by an inspirational message. The morning will be full of food, fellowship, and faith. To sign up: oaklandchurch.com/sign-me-up.



#### Youth Fall Retreat: October 27-29

Our youth will be spending the weekend at Look Up Lodge, enjoying fellowship, Bible study, and all the great things at this retreat center.

## November

#### Women's Retreat: November 3-5

Women from OBC will be spending the weekend in Montreat, NC. It will be a weekend full of Bible study, worship, fellowship, rest, and renewal.

#### Fall Round-Up: November 12

Call your friends you haven't seen in a while and invite them to come back. Invite someone new to join you for worship. If you haven't been here in a while, make November 12 the day you return! If you need transportation, contact Eddie Ramsey (eddie056@gmail.com).



#### Veteran's Luncheon: November 12

We will gather in the gym for lunch following worship to show our gratitude to our Veterans. Tickets will be available beginning in October.



### Fall Bible Studies



#### NEW Men's Bible Study: Mondays at 8PM (Begins September 11)

Join Jimmy Williams on Zoom on Mondays at 8PM for a Bible study based on John MacArthur's book *Twelve Ordinary Men*. To sign up: oaklandchurch.com/sign-me-up.

#### Men's Prayer Breakfast: Tuesdays at 8AM (Resumes September 5)

Each Tuesday morning a group of men meet at Chandler Place for a delicious breakfast, fellowship, prayer, and a Bible study. For more information contact Gary Williams (gwilliams@wfcorp.com) or Jimmy Johnson (jimjohnson10@gmail.com).

#### Ladies Bible Study: Tuesdays at 9AM (Resumes September 5)

Each Tuesday morning a group of ladies meet in Room 206 for Bible study led by Leigh Reynolds. For more information, contact Leigh (lreynolds@oaklandchurch.com). This group will be studying the book of Hebrews.

#### Ladies Bible Study: Tuesdays at 6:15PM (Resumes September 12)

Join leaders Patti Robinette and Shirley Bailey for Bible study on Tuesday evenings from 6:15PM-7:30PM. This group meets in Room 206, but you may also join via Zoom. If you would like more information or are interested in participating, contact Patti (probinette1861@gmail.com) or Shirley (shholland@comporium.net). This group will be studying the book of Acts.

#### NEW Zoom Bible Study: Thursdays at 8PM (Begins September 7)

Join Leigh Reynolds on Zoom on Thursdays at 8PM for a Bible study based on the book of Hebrews. Men, women, young, and old - all are welcome! To sign up: oaklandchurch.com/sign-me-up

During the weeks leading up to each of these events check our *Weekly Update* and website (oaklandchurch.com) for more details.



### Wednesday Evenings at OBC

**5PM-5:45PM:** Dinner in the Gym

For dinner reservations: oaklandchurch.com/sign-me-up

**5PM-7PM:** English as a Second Language

**5:45PM-6:30PM:** Wednesdays Around the Table, Children's Bible Study

### Wednesdays Around the Table

Our youth and adults will gather around the tables in the gym for the conversations listed below. Our children will meet in Room 141 for Bible Study. There are also opportunities to be an ESL volunteer.

**September 13:** Wednesday Night Kick-off! Join us in the Gym for dinner and fellowship followed by a trivia game that you do not want to miss! There will be laughter and prizes galore as you get to know OBC and the staff better.

**September 20:** Join us for inspirational stories about the ministry of Miracle Park.

**September 27:** Katie Durkee, from NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) will lead us in a conversation about mental health.

**October 4:** Rev. Emily Sutton, Pastor of Bethel United Methodist Church, will lead us in a conversation about the ministry of Bethel Shelter.

**October 11, 18, & 25:** It's Missions Month! Leigh Reynolds and Jeff Hayes will lead us in conversations about the mission and ministries of CBF Field Personnel around the world.

**November 1:** Rev. Dr. Ginger Barfield, ordained minister and sister of Judy Mobley, will share about her journey as a Baptist woman called to ministry.

**November 8:** Rev. Lee Ann Livingston, Chaplain at Wayne T. Patrick Hospice House, will lead us in a conversation about coping with grief during the holidays.

**November 15:** Our Finance Committee will lead us in a conversation about the 2024 proposed budget in preparation of voting to approve it on November 19.

**November 22:** NO Wednesday Night Meal or Activities. Happy Thanksgiving!

**November 29:** Jeff Hayes and Leigh Reynolds will lead us in a conversation about Advent.

### SAVE THE DATE

#### Christmas Cantata:

December 17, 10:30AM

#### Children's Christmas Pageant:

December 17, 5:30PM

#### Marriage Enrichment Weekend:

Early 2024

#### Pleasant Ridge at OBC with Rev. Dr. Paul Baxley preaching:

February 4

#### OBC at Pleasant Ridge with Rev. Dr. Eliabeth Nance-Coker preaching:

April 7

#### Children's Sunday:

April 14, 10:30AM

#### Youth Sunday:

May 12, 10:30AM

#### Growing Young Seminar with consultant Rev. Dr. Andy Jung:

May 18-19

#### Baccalaureate Worship:

May 26,

#### Vacation Bible School:

June 23-27