

WELCOME TO OAKLAND!

Our church family is delighted that you have joined us for worship today! If you are a first time worshipper with us today, thank you for being here! Please help us connect with you by completing this info card and placing it in one of the contribution boxes located on tables at each exit. That way we can hear your story, tell you ours, and seek to do life together. You will find Oakland to be a welcoming church that seeks to provide an encouraging place for you to discover what it means to be a follower of Jesus. Whether you are just beginning to ask questions about faith or you have been following Jesus longer than you can remember, you will find a home here at Oakland. Our doors are wide open to people of every background and circumstance; and we already consider you family!



Please help us get to know you better:

Today's Date: _____

Your Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Status: Single Married

Age Group: 11-19 20-29 30-39
40-49 50-59 60+

Children (Name and Age): _____

Please check the applicable boxes:

- First-time worshipper
- Returning worshipper
- New to the area

Would like to know more about

- Oakland Baptist Church
- Being a Christian

SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP OF THE CHURCH

For a complete listing of events, please visit our website

www.oaklandchurch.com/news/weekly-update



To sign-up for any opportunity below, visit oaklandchurch.com/sign-me-up or use the QR code above.

If you do not receive our Weekly Update newsletter, sign-up using the above QR code.

EASTER HOLIDAYS CLOSINGS

4/1, Church Office Closed. 4/3, No activities: Enjoy the Spring Break week!

WORSHIP AT PLEASANT RIDGE BAPTIST, APRIL 7, 10AM

Join us in the sanctuary at Pleasant Ridge at 10am. There will be NO Sunday School or Worship at OBC that day.

UPCOMING WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AROUND THE TABLE, 5:45PM

4/10: Navigating Spam and Scams! Phillip Reynolds will discuss how we can be safe online and on the phone.

4/17: How to Talk with Children and Youth About Being Safe Online Chris Odom, Solutions Engineer with Beyond Trust, a worldwide leader in identity security will lead a dialogue about the conversations you should be having with your children BEFORE they engage in online activities.

4/24: Tools for Helping Keep Children and Youth Safe Online Chris Odom and Phillip Reynolds will show us tools that can help keep our children and youth safe while using their online devices (Both April 17 and 24 will be repeated in a condensed format on Sunday, April 21, from 4:30PM-6PM)

LEARNING TO GROW YOUNG, APRIL 14-MAY 26

A strategy in our Vision Report is to implement the six strategies found in the Fuller Youth Institute Book "Growing Young: Six Essentials to Help Young People Discover and Love Your Church." This series will present each of these strategies. Children's Sunday (4/14), Youth Sunday (5/12), and Baccalaureate (5/26) will also be celebrated during this series. Andy Jung, Fuller's Senior Director of Church Engagement, will be with us on May 19.

COME-SEE-ME PICNIC, APRIL 16, NOON

Bring your own lunch and chair and join us under the trees along the sidewalk at Glencairn Gardens.

NAMI PARENTING BASICS CLASS, SATURDAYS, APRIL 20-MAY 18, 9:30AM-12:00PM

Parenting Basics is designed for parents and other caregivers to understand the illnesses that are causing emotional/behavioral difficulties, and the critical role families play in their treatment. The program is taught by trained teachers who are also the parents of emotional/behavioral challenged children. The class will meet at Oakland and you can register by calling 803-610-8174 or visiting www.namipiedmont.org

CBF/SC GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT OAKLAND—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are pleased to host the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship of South Carolina's 2024 General Assembly on April 25-26. Use the QR code above to review the volunteer opportunities and to volunteer.

CHURCHWIDE PICNIC, MAY 19, 5PM-7PM

Join us at Westminster Park for an evening of food, fellowship, outdoor games, and worship.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

We are excited for VBS Scuba, the summer event that helps kids dive into friendship with God! At VBS, kids explore what it means to have a friendship with a real, loving, trustworthy God; a friendship that lasts forever. VBS will take place June 23-27 from 5:15-7:45PM. You can register your child(ren) using the above QR code or through the Weekly Update.

ASSOCIATE MINISTER SEARCH COMMITTEE

We are excited to announce that the following individuals have agreed to serve on our Associate Minister Search Committee: Sadie Bridges, Dan Cox, Terry Gold, Chris Griffin, Donna Hickey, Melinda Reid, Heather Turner, and Brian Wacaster. Please be in prayer for each of these people as they begin this important work.

GIFTS to OBC	March 24, 2024
Received 03/24/2024	15,635.88
Needed weekly	17,785.00
Required YTD	213,420.00
Received YTD	221,576.17
Over/Under	8,156.17
Expenses YTD	145,662.08

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, March 31

8:30 am Easter Worship, Gathering Spot
8:50 am Pastries & Coffee, FH; Flower the Cross
9:15 am Sunday School
10:30am Easter Worship, Sanctuary
No evening activities

Monday, April 1

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, April 2

8:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
11:00am Staff Meeting
6:15 pm Ladies' Bible Study (Bailey/Robinette)

Wednesday, April 3

9:00 am Ministry Center Clothing
No evening activities

Saturday, April 6

9:00 am Ministry Center Clothing

Happy Birthday!	Date	Name
	03/31	Debbie Mollycheck
	04/01	Sue Colletto
	04/02	Martha Marion Bradley
		Beth Gold
		Michael Prater
	04/03	Jerry Lucas
	04/06	Benjamin Hayes



OAKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

The presence of Christ at the crossroads of life.

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Easter Sunday-10:30 Service

March 31, 2024

We Gather in God's Presence

Easter Worship

Easter is here! As we gather to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, let us be mindful of what it truly means to worship in spirit and truth. Our joyous songs, fervent prayers, and warm fellowship should not be empty rituals, but an authentic expression of the transformative love of God that brought Jesus out of the tomb. Seek the living presence of the risen Christ in the faces of those who join us, in our petitions for communities near and far, in the melodies that proclaim the good news, and in the vibrant blooms that herald new life. As we depart from this sacred space, may we go forth as Easter people, our hearts attuned to recognize Jesus already at work in the world, teaching us to love as he loved – selflessly, sacrificially, and with boundless compassion for all.

PRELUDE

I Know That My Redeemer Lives
Voluntary X
Christ Is Alive, Let Christians Sing

Mr. John Posey

GREETING

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please complete the registration card included in this worship guide. You may return the card to one of our ministers or place it in one of the offering boxes located at each exit.
Thank you for worshipping with us today!

Rev. Dr. Jeff Hayes

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

The Trinity Chime represents Creator God, Son, and Holy Spirit.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you!
And also with you! Alleluia!

CHORAL INTROIT

Christ Is Risen!
Chancel Choir

arr. Jan Sanborn

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is Risen! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Christ is Risen indeed!
This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Rev. Leigh Reynolds

EASTER HYMN 194

Christ the Lord is Risen Today
Mrs. Heather Turner and Mr. Carter Odom, trumpet

EASTER HYMN

THE ALTAR CANDLES

The light symbolizes the presence of God in our worship and in our lives.

THE CROSS

The cross symbolizes the grace of God given freely to all people.



We Hear God's Word and Pray

CHILDRENS TIME

Mr. Patrick Griffin

EASTER LESSON

John 20:1-18

Mr. Heath Sessions

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Easter Morning

Paul Christiansen

Chancel Choir, Angel Thomason, soloist

Mary came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord.

Then the same day as they were assembled came Jesus and stood in the midst of them.

Then Jesus said unto them: Peace be unto you.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Dr. Jeff Hayes

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

We Grow from God's Word

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Hayes

We Respond to God's Word

We invite you to respond in worship by any of the following ways:

committing your life to Christ and beginning the journey of being his disciple, requesting baptism, joining our church as a member, or in any other way the Lord might be leading you.

You may request a conversation with one of our ministers by calling the church office at (803)328-3864 or visiting our webpage (oaklandchurch.com/staff) to directly email a minister.

There is no reason to walk the path of life alone; become a part of our community of faith.

HYMN OF RESPONSE 159

Fairest Lord Jesus

CRUSADER'S HYMN

We Worship Through Our Giving

We encourage you to give tithes and offerings by placing your gift in one of the labeled boxes located at each door of the sanctuary, or through our website (oaklandchurch.com/give), the Breeze church app, texting "Give" to (803)599-3738, or using automatic drafts. If you need assistance with any of these methods, please contact the church office at (803) 328-3864.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

Rev. Eddie Ramsey

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Ramsey

We Are Sent Forth to Share Hope with Others

PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS/READING OF THE CHURCH COVENANT

SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP OF THE CHURCH

EASTER BLESSING

Miss Elodie McPhail

Christ is risen, Alleluia!

Let your hearts be filled with Easter joy.

May the light of the risen Savior shine upon you,
 bringing peace, hope and blessing on this glorious day.

Christ has conquered sin and death, opening the way to everlasting life.

Rejoice in his victory and live each day renewed in the promise of his endless love.

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CHORAL RESPONSE

Jeremy Bankson

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Chancel Choir, Trumpets, Handbell Ensemble

Choir:

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!

Christ is risen! Hush in wonder, All creation is amazed.

*In the desert all surrounding, See a spreading tree has grown.
 Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.*

Choir:

*Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the caverns of despair.
 Walk with gladness in the morning, see what love can do and dare.*

Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but a friend.

Jesus is our strong companion, joy and peace shall never end.

All:

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same.

Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.

Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"

God the First and Last is with us, Sing Hosanna, everyone!

POSTLUDE

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

William Albrecht

The OBC Staff

Rev. Dr. Jeff Hayes.....Senior Minister
 Rev. Leigh Reynolds.....Associate Minister
 Rev. Eddie Ramsey.....Pastoral Care Associate
 Rev. Doug Haney.....Interim Minister of Music
 Patrick Griffin.....Children and Youth Minister
 Missy Snipes.....Office Manager
 Thereasa Crabb.....Office Assistant
 John Posey.....Organist
 Liz Hille.....Church Hostess
 Jessica Collins.....Day School Director
 Michaela Davenport.....Nursery Coordinator
 John-Marc Gold.....Facility Assistant

Sign up for Wednesday Night Dinner

April 10: Roast Pork Loin

April 17: Casserole Buffet

April 24: Hearty Soups

Full Salad Bar Always Available

**\$6.50/Adult & \$3.50/Child
 or \$25 cap per family**

Name: _____

Adults _____ # Children _____

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Use the QR Code,
 place in collection box, or
 make reservations/cancellations to
 obcoffice@oaklandchurch.com



Deacon of the Week

Phillip Reynolds, 3/31
 Worship at Pleasant Ridge, 4/7
 Brandy Cason, 4/14
 David Williams, 4/21
 Carl Compton, 4/28

April Worship Greeters

Sandee Moore
 Chris Odom
 Brian Scott
 Kelly Scott
 Brian Wacaster

Nursery Volunteers

Ada Rodriguez 3/31
 Worship at Pleasant Ridge, 4/7
 Becky McCoy, 4/14
 Brandy Cason, 4/21
 Michelle Prater, 4/28

