STAY CONNECTED DURING THE WEEK

SUNDAY SERVICES

9:00 AM ONLINE WELCOME
9:30 AM ONLINE & ON-SITE SERVICES BEGIN

For those worshiping on-site, offering boxes are located at the lower outside entrance and the lower level lobby. If you’re worshiping at home, check out the MANY WAYS TO GIVE TO OAKWOOD including online and text giving.

Subscribe to the Oakwood YOUTUBE CHANNEL. Find our interactive worship service each Sunday morning.

OUTDOOR FAMILY SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 6 | 9:30 AM
Because of the Labor Day holiday, we’ll continue worshipping together as one united family-of-families. Click HERE for more details. Our Online Worship Experience will continue on YOUTUBE. If you’re joining us outdoors, bring chairs or a blanket.

HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT [EVERY]
SEPTEMBER 11-13 | BETHEL HORIZONS CAMP
For 9th-12th graders. Click HERE for more information and to register.

WOMEN

JUST AMONG MOMS (JAM)
WEDNESDAYS | SEPTEMBER 16-NOVEMBER 18
7-8 PM | GATHERING PLACE
Moms, join us this semester for The Six Truths of Motherhood…go from surviving to thriving. Each evening we will meet in person for group discussion. CLICK HERE for more info and to register. Questions? Contact JOANNE JESSEE.

MEN

MIGHTY MEN OF GOD (IN TRAINING)
MONDAY-FRIDAY 5:30 & 6:30 AM
AND SATURDAY 7 AM
[MEETING ON-SITE WITH AN ONLINE OPTION]
Mighty Men of God are going chapter-by-chapter through the New Testament. Click HERE for details.

GUESTS

NEWCOMERS’ RECEPTION | AUGUST 30
DIRECTLY AFTER OUTDOOR WORSHIP EXPERIENCE
New to Oakwood? We’d love to meet you! Stop by our tent for a free gift. Questions? Email SARAH HAYDEN.

PROPOSED BY-LAW REVISION

Due to coronavirus, the proposed by-law revisions from the elders was tabled to ensure we offered in-person Q&A opportunities. To read the by-law changes, click HERE.

In-Person Q&A opportunities:
September 14 | 6:30 p.m. | Gathering Place
September 27 | 10:30 a.m. | Gathering Place

RECOMMENDATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The elders recommend the following individuals for membership here at Oakwood Church. They have completed the Joining Oakwood class; have been interviewed regarding their faith in Christ and are actively involved in or exploring ministry here.

Please express any concerns you may have regarding this recommendation to the elders in writing. (After a two-week waiting period, they will be received into the membership of Oakwood Church.) Joey Curtin, Matt & Kirsten Hart, Neal & Carolyn Meitler, Doug & Erin Zelenko

MISSIONS

JIM & KELLEY SAUTNER | CRU
Please pray for Jim and Kelley Sautner and their son JP as they make important decisions regarding the direction and expansion of their new ministry to the deaf. Should they stay local, expand to a national level with a grant possibility to help them do so, or pursue a hybrid of both possibilities, they want God’s timing and wisdom to prevail.

#GODATWORK
Right Here Right Now

MESSAGE NOTES

AUGUST 30 2020

Celebrate!
Roger Ellis, Lead Pastor
Esther 9:17-10:3

We are to be those who celebrate what God has done!

1. We are obligated to celebrate (Esther 9:21, 26-28).

2. We are obligated to remember (Esther 9:22-25).

3. We are obligated to celebrate with others (Esther 9:22).

4. We are obligated to move forward with integrity (Esther 10:1-3).

5. We are obligated to serve for the benefit others (Esther 10:3).

NEXT STEPS

- Celebrate the victory before!
- Turn the conversations this fall to Jesus!
- Other ________________________________

DISCOVERY QUESTIONS
FOR FAMILY OR GROUP DISCUSSION

Check-In: Since we last met, how did your “I will...” and sharing go?

1. What are you thankful for? What challenge or stress are you facing? How can we help? Do you know anyone who needs help at this time?

2. Read Esther 8:15-17 and 9:18-28 together (at least twice), and take turns retelling it in your own words as if sharing with a friend who isn’t here.

3. What stands out to you and why? What do these verses tell us about God? What do these verses tell us about humanity/about us?

4. If this is God speaking, how will you apply it to your life? (Aim for a specific: “I will...” next step.)

5. Who will you share with before we meet again? (Name a specific person you want to share with.)

If you’d like to learn more about the discovery group process, connect with marcus@oakwoodnow.org

Celebrate!
Roger Ellis, Lead Pastor
Esther 9:17-10:3
Build Your Kingdom Here

Verse 1
Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are Your church
We need Your pow'r in us

Verse 2
We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captives' hearts released
The hurt the sick the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause
We are Your church
We pray revive this earth

Chorus
Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray

Verse 3
Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this
Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
We are Your church
We are the hope on earth

CCLI Song # 6186078

King Of Kings

Verse 1
In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

Chorus
Praise the Father
Praise the Son
Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of Kings

Verse 2
To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Verse 3
And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
to the Father are restored

Verse 4
And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

CCLI Song # 7127647
Light Up

Verse 1
No higher name no greater name
Than the name of Jesus
Nothing comes close nothing compares
To the name of Jesus

Chorus
So let the darkness light up in Jesus’ name
Let it all be still when you speak
Come with power freedom and tear down these walls
Be lifted up

Verse 2
Everything bows to you alone
Oh the name of Jesus
So now and always forever be praised
No other name than Jesus

Bridge
All praises all glory
All worship unto your name (Jesus)

Ancient Of Days

Verse 1
Though the nations rage
Kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one King
Reigning over all
So I will not fear
For this truth remains
That my God is the Ancient of Days

Chorus
None above Him none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand
All the power all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Verse 2
Though the dread of night
Overwhelms my soul
He is here with me
I am not alone
O His love is sure
And He knows my name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Verse 3
Though I may not see
What the future brings
I will watch and wait
For the Saviour king
Then my joy complete
Standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days

CCLI Song # 7129340
CCLI Song # 7121851