

**Online Church Directory** - Our church directory is available online. Go to oakdale.breezechms.com to create an account. Only email addresses that are in the directory are allowed access. You will receive an email message allowing you to create your own account. There is also an app for your phone that you may download from the app store. Look for the app Breeze Chms with the sailboat icon. The church ID is oakdale. If you need assistance, please contact De in the church office at 712-443-8385.

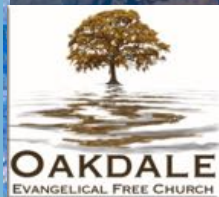
**Church Directory** - We will be printing an updated church directory in March. If you have a change in your address, phone number, or email address, please contact De in the church office at 712-443-8385 or oakdale@oakdalechurch.com.

**CASA'S Annual Night of Hope** will be held Thursday, March 15 from 5:30-8:30 pm at Western Iowa Tech. The night will include a survivor's story, dinner, live auction, raffle items, cake-off, fashion show, shopping, and more. Advance table reservations are required. See the information on the table in the foyer. The Cake-Off registration form is in the foyer also.

**Marcus Lions** are holding their annual omelet breakfast on Palm Sunday, March 25 from 8 am to 12:30 pm at the Marcus Community Center. Advance tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under. Contact a Lions Club member or the Marcus news office for tickets. Tickets at the door are \$8 & \$5.

**Copies of the March newsletter are on the table in the foyer.**

<p><b>If you are in need of spiritual guidance, please contact one of our pastors:</b></p> <p>Senior Pastor Jonathan Caldwell 651.788.1146 <a href="mailto:jcaldwell@oakdalechurch.com">jcaldwell@oakdalechurch.com</a></p> <p>Pastor Emeritus Merle Wester 712.225.0125 <a href="mailto:eledanwester@outlook.com">eledanwester@outlook.com</a></p>	<p><b>Youth Ministry Events</b></p> <p>Matt Dengler, Interim Youth Ministries Director, 712-221-5227 <a href="mailto:hatwiththematt@gmail.com">hatwiththematt@gmail.com</a></p> <p><u>Today</u> ONE at Valley View 6-8 pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday</u> The Rock at the View 6:45 pm</p>
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# WELCOME TO OAKDALE!

**MARCH 11, 2018**

**10:30 am**

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 18:1-3

### WE SING

*To God Be The Glory  
10,000 Reasons*

Congregation

### WE BOW BEFORE HIM

Doug Stout

### WE GIVE

Dee Murphy and Emersyn Aguirre

### WE SING

*He Hideth My Soul  
Psalm 62*

Congregation

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

1 Samuel 31:1-6

Wendy Iverson

### WE REFLECT ON GOD'S WORD

"Two Men On a Mountain"

Matt Dengler

### WE RESPOND

*He Will Hold Me Fast*

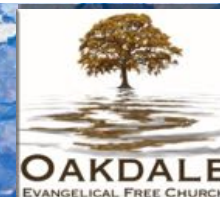
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### BENEDICTION

Matt Dengler

John and Donna Beier invite you for individual prayer in Room #105 after the worship service.

If you are wondering how you can have a more personal relationship with God, please contact one of our pastors or elders.



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EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH  
LOVING GOD. LOVING PEOPLE.  
MAKING DISCIPLES IN ALL GENERATIONS**

# WE ARE GLAD YOU CHOSE TO WORSHIP WITH US TODAY!

## IF YOU ARE VISITING US TODAY, WELCOME!

### HERE ARE SOME THINGS YOU MIGHT WANT TO KNOW:

- If you have Children:
  - Our nursery is available just outside the sanctuary for children birth to 35 months.
  - Children's church begins after the music portion of the service for kids 3-5 years old. Watch for the visual announcement.
  - At the same time, we also offer activity boxes for kids ages 6-10 to help those with busy minds and hands. They can be picked up in the foyer after the music portion of the service. Watch for the visual announcement.
- Hearing Assistance is available. Ask an usher for a hearing device or turn on your T-coil setting, if equipped.

### THIS WEEK AT OAKDALE

Today	Offering: General Fund
Wednesday	Meal at 6 pm followed by Bible Instruction for all ages
Thursday	Ladies' Reading Group - 9 am Home School Group - 10 am
Friday	Men's Reading Group at Family Table Restaurant - 6:30 am Women's Ministries Annual Meeting & Bunco Night - 7 pm
Saturday	Golden Oaks to Browns' Theater in LeMars

### Next Sunday

Jason Crosby will bring us the message, "How to be Poor and Rich at the Same Time." Read Matthew 5:3 in preparation.

### SERVING TODAY AT OAKDALE

If you switch serving times with someone, please notify the church office.

#### NURSERY

#### Sunday School

Richard and Renee Scholten

#### Worship Service

Lyle and Sue Peterson  
Ron and Jan Brown, Sarah Gnade

#### Children's Church

Bethany Hancock, Julie Swanson  
Sally and Dave Carlson

#### Head Greeter

Tim Axiotis

**A time of concentrated prayer** for the lost souls of friends and families occurs weekly at 6:00 pm on Thursday nights at the church. Please consider joining us.

**Summer Camp** - Register for Hidden Acres Christian Center summer camp at [hacamps.org](http://hacamps.org). Register online and pay the registration fee. Financial scholarships are available through the church to help with the remainder of the camp fee.

**Pastor Jonathan** is on a mission trip to the Central African Republic February 26 through March 14. If you have a pastoral need during Pastor Jonathan's absence, please call our head elder, Doug Stout, at 712-261-2309.

**Ladies' Bible Study** - A Tuesday morning ladies' Bible study will meet every Tuesday from 9:30 - 11 am from March 27 through May 8. The study is "Gideon" by Priscilla Shrier. Childcare will be provided. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer so books may be ordered.

**Childcare Workers Needed** - Men and women, please consider helping with childcare during the ladies' Bible study on Tuesday mornings from March 27 - May 8. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer for the Tuesdays that you are able to help.

**Golden Oaks** - Sign up in the foyer to attend the Celtic Celebration at the Browns' Theater on Saturday, March 17. Tickets are \$35 for the noon lunch and 1:30 pm performance and \$20 for the 1:30 pm performance only.

**Baby Bottle Campaign** - Please take a baby bottle home from the table in the foyer to fill with your donation to the Cherish House. Return bottles to the church by March 25.

We will not have an evening meal and Bible instruction on Wednesday, March 28.

**Birthdays this week: Sarah Foster, Britt Lewis (12); Wyatt Harper, Doug Stout (14); Paul Erdmann, Julie Swanson (15); Barbara Iverson (16); Nick Erdmann, Eleda Wester, Merle Wester (17).**



*"Let us know; let us press on to know the Lord" Hosea 6:3*



Praise and Prayer requests from David and Katie Hayward with SIM in Guinea

### **Praise the Savior who wants us to be with Him:**

- For Beth's legacy of faithful, wholehearted, and enduring service to her King, and for answering prayers for a good finish here in Guinea.
- For relationship and ministry opportunities that have helped us both take another step forward in Maninka language fluency.
- For the Finstads' progress in making Kankan their home.

### **Ask Him who is preparing many rooms in His house:**

- To do a mighty healing work in John and Anna's family; for people to reach out to them and for their faith to grow in their new church.
- For unity in spirit and purpose and the essential humility needed among church leaders in Kankan.
- For rest and good processing time for Beth in her first weeks back in the US.
- For continued healing in Mark's body as he fights an aggressive cancer.
- For plentiful, Spirit-borne fruit as we mentor Nate and Leah Finstad through their first year on the field; for another heap of grace on their transition as the hot season settles in.
- For strength and wisdom as we bear heavy loads on our team, in our school, and in difficult situations like John and Anna's; for daily reminders of our hope in Jesus and the blessings of being part of the good work He is doing here.
- For good communication, grace, and wisdom from above as we now have four American families in Kankan, and our kids are navigating new relationships and learning dynamics.
- To make His love real to our Jacob.

"If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself." John 14:3

**"Pray without ceasing."  
I Thessalonians 5:17**

### **Pray for Oakdale's Ministry:**

- Pray for Pastor Jonathan, Whitney Axiotis, Andrea Orthmann, and David and Julie Wester as they are in the Central African Republic to give support to Dr. Tim and Ann Wester. They will be returning March 14.
- Pray for Charity, Lily, and Grace Anderson and Paul Mugge as they are on a short-term mission trip to Haiti March 7-14.

### **Pray for Oakdale's Family:**

- Pray for members of our family not able to attend services: Jim Halstrom, Sue Sedore, Gertie VanderPloeg, Paul Van Dyke, Elsie Wester, Carl and Betty Menning, Dee Enderlin, Erin Oldenkamp, and Jo Linn.
- Pray for Mavis Weaver's heart valve replacement surgery scheduled for March 19.
- Pray for Merle and Eleda's daughter, Sara Wester, as she receives treatment for her cancer.
- Pray for Al Visscher as he has begun chemotherapy treatments.
- Jo Linn is still hospitalized in Winterset. Pray for her recovery from a fractured elbow.
- Pray for Cole Erdmann's recovery from a tonsillectomy.

### **Pray for Oakdale's Ministry Partners:**

For strong marriages, strong spiritual disciplines, strong families, and effective proclamation of the Word of God.

- Paul & Colleen Erdmann with Mission Next
- David & Katie Hayward in Guinea
- Al & Edie Lewis with EFCA ReachGlobal
- Tim & Ann Wester in Central African Republic

### **Pray for our Neighbors and Nation:**

- Pray for revival in our country.
- Pray for peace among all nations.