### **GET CONNECTED**

### Oak City Biblical Counseling

Oak City Biblical Counseling [OCBC] will be launching in June 2023! Our mission is to proclaim Gospel hope through the truth of God's Word for lasting heart change in the midst of sin,

sorrow, and suffering. To learn more about OCBC or to inquire about counseling go to <a href="https://www.ocbcbartow.org">www.ocbcbartow.org</a> If you would like to give a tax deductible gift, you can do so by check [mail: PO Box 521, Bartow, FL 33831, online at



ocbcbartow.churchcenter.com/giving or scan the QR code

## Oak City Youth

D Groups will be meeting this Wednesday! Middle School and High School boys meet at 7pm Chick-Fil-A. Girls meet at Helen's House [1771 Taylor Rd, Bartow]

## **Prayer Cohorts**

These cohorts will feel a lot like a small discipleship group with ample time to share yet with the exclusive goal of intercessory prayer:

### Women:

- Mondays [4:30pm] @ Unfiltered [160 S Broadway Ave]
- Wednesdays [9:00am] @ Born and Bread [1113 Florida S. Ave]

#### Men:

- Tuesdays [6:30am] @ Broadway Diner [1380 N. Broadway Ave]
- Thursdays [7:15am] @ Bob Evans [6425
   S. Florida Ave]

# ways to give



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**Songs of Preparation** 

His Mercy Is More Christ Be All Around Me

### **Announcements**

# **Call to Worship**

Psalm 9:1-2

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

# **Prayer of Adoration**

# **Hymn of Adoration**

All Hail The Power Of Jesus Name

# Prayer of Confession

silent confession

### **Assurance of Pardon**

Psalm 145:8-9

# Hear the promise of God for those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Song of Renewal

**Blessed Assurance** 

### **Affirmation of Faith**

Heidelberg Catechism

- Q. 18- But who is that Mediator who at the same time is true God, and a true and righteous man?
- A. Our Lord Jesus Christ, who has become for us wisdom from God that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.

### Offering

### Doxology

### **Scripture Reading**

Romans 13:11-14

11 Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.
12 The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. 13 Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. 14 But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

### Sermon

Rev. Brian MacDonald

### "WARNING: Do Not Feed the Flesh" Romans 13:11-14

- I. How Do We Feed the Flesh?
  - A. We Obey the Flesh
    - Proverbs 18:8
    - Hebrews 11:24-26
  - B. We Befriend the Flesh
    - Gen. 3:15
    - James 4:1-4

- C. We Make Peace with the Flesh
  - Galatians 5:17
  - Romans 7:24-25
- II. How Do We NOT Feed the Flesh?
  - John 6:47-58

### **Song of Preparation**

Sovereign Over Us

### Communion

white grape juice is on outer ring of tray while red wine is placed on inner ring. Our bread is gluten free. Please come forward and partake when you receive the elements

### Words of Institution

Prayer of Searching for Truth: Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Believing on Jesus: Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

Prayer of Struggling Against Sin: Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely to me, and run with perseverance the race that you have set before me, looking only to you, the pioneer and champion of my faith. Amen.

### **Hymn of Response**

Sovereign Over Us

### Benediction