

E-Connections

News from **Oakmont Baptist Church**

A Word from Our Pastor

It's Thursday early afternoon as I write. My belly is full from the wonderful meal prepared by our church for the Biggs family! In just a moment, we'll gather in the Sanctuary to celebrate the life of Dennis Biggs, who loved his family, served our country in the Air Force, and led lots of mission trips at Oakmont. We're a stronger church because of Grace and Dennis.

I like the connection between the Biggs' family meal, the service for Dennis, and what took place earlier this morning. One family is remembering and honoring and thanking God for one long life well lived. In our preschool this morning, 68 young lives are taking their next steps in the lives God has given them.

We've welcomed 68 children to our campus this week, along with Moms and Dads and grandparents. Jarvis Preschool at Oakmont is in session and things have gone well! There's wonderful energy in these halls! A baby symphony fills the air, each baby crying in a different key. Most of all, Jesus is here. Whenever we welcome a child, we welcome Jesus (Matthew 18:5).

The mission trips Dennis led were construction trips as we built facilities that blessed hurting communities. There's more perfect timing; this morning, the interior wall through which the new Youth Room will be accessed is being constructed. I've been preparing for Dennis's service to the sound of hammers and drills, just outside my office. Dennis would be pleased.

At the meal with Dennis's family, a family friend approached me and asked, "Are you kin to Brenda Porterfield?" To which I said, "She's my mother!" A childhood friend of Grace has been in Greensboro for 50 years and worked with my mother at church. She's here to support her dear friend.

Thanks be to God for long lives well lived, for young lives just getting started, for life together as a congregation on mission trips, for lifelong friendships and "it's a small world" connections. And thank you, Jesus, for revealing yourself to us and holding our lives every step of the way.

Grace and peace,
Eric Porterfield





September 13

Philippians 1:1-11
Observance
of Holy Communion
Eric Porterfield preaching

September 20

Philippians 1:12-30
Eric Porterfield preaching

Deacon Ballots Due This Sunday, September 13



The final day for church members to turn in their nominations for people to serve as deacons is this Sunday, September 13, at noon. Ballots must be turned in at the office and cannot be placed in the offering plates. Thanks everyone, for your prayerful discernment and participation.

Wednesday Night Ministries Are Back!



What a gift to gather in the middle of the week, to be together and study God's Word and encourage one another! We're so grateful for all the teachers and workers who make our Wednesday night ministries possible. We started another semester of this wonderful mid-week rhythm on September 9. The semester will end the week before Thanksgiving.

Activities for preschoolers, elementary age children, and youth begin at 6:00 p.m. The Large Group Bible Study taught by Eric Porterfield begins at 6:00 in the Multipurpose Room. The Women's Bible Study, led by Alicia Porterfield and Dot Seay, begins at 5:45 in the Fellowship Hall. Orchestra and choir rehearsals also resumed last week.

Large Group Wednesday Night Bible Study



Matthew packs a lot of Jesus' powerful teaching into the 18th chapter of his gospel. It's here where Jesus tells us to become like children and welcome children, where he gives detailed instructions on how to hold each other accountable and tells us "where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." And here, Jesus tells us to forgive each other not seven times, but seventy seven times. The first portion of our Large Group study this fall will be an exploration of Matthew 18, led by Eric Porterfield.

Music Ministry Memos

*We introduced a new song last Sunday, and we are singing it again this Sunday!
Here is a [LINK](#) to help you learn it!*



Wednesday, September 16

6:00 p.m. | Orchestra rehearsal (*sanctuary*)

7:00 p.m. | Chancel Choir rehearsal (*choir room*)

Thursday, September 17

10:00 a.m. | JOY Singers rehearsal (*choir room*)

Sunday, September 20

3:30 p.m. | Handbell rehearsal (*room 607*)

Contact Laurie Cosby if you are interested in
joining any of these groups at laurielee@oakmontchurch.com.

WANTED: TECH Operators for the TECH Team Ministry

We are in the process of offering advanced training for current operators and we will be offering beginning training for new operators on all four positions for in-house and broadcast audio media: Sanctuary Power Point/Light Operator, Sanctuary Sound Mixer, Broadcast Video Camera Operator and Broadcast Sound Mixer. If you would be interested in serving on the TECH TEAM as a new member, contact Laurie Cosby at: laurielee@oakmontchurch.com.

Church Directory Photos: October 1–3

Dear Oakmont Church Family,

Our church directory photographers will be here in just a few weeks, so the time to schedule photo sessions for our new church directory is here! Please find below important information regarding the dates and how to sign up for a session. You will receive a free 8x10 portrait and new church directory just for coming in for a session! There will be other options for products to

design and purchase the same day as your scheduled session, so if you are looking for special gifts for family and friends, look no further as Universal Church Directories is confident that items will be here in time for the holiday season. Cash (in small bills), checks, credit, and debit cards are accepted forms of payment for additional items.



Photo Session Dates

Thursday, October 1 from 2:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Friday, October 2 from 2:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

— See the following page for instructions on how to sign up! —

Time slots are in 10-minute increments. Per the request of Universal Church Directories, please schedule two time slots if you have more than six people being photographed at one time.

Sign-up is available online now on weekdays! Please note: The scheduling page is not available to families on weekends starting Saturdays at approximately 12:01 a.m. until Mondays at 12:01 a.m. in order to prevent double booking. Please follow the instructions on the next page to sign up online.

If you prefer to sign up in person, we will have volunteers available to help you sign up in our narthex prior to and following our worship services each Sunday in September. We can schedule you at that time and provide a flyer that includes your appointment date and time.

No matter how you sign up, you will be asked to provide some basic information: your name, address, phone number, email address, and the number of people in your party. This information is only used by us at Oakmont to contact you regarding your photo session and for entry into the new directory. UCD does not collect or use this information, so please be as accurate as possible when providing it.

We are excited to have this opportunity to update our directory and get to know all of our friends and neighbors, so please make plans now to be included by scheduling a photo session! If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Davis in the church office at (252) 756-1245 or nicole@oakmontchurch.com.

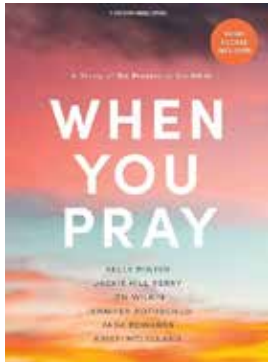
Thank you!

ONLINE SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FAMILY APPOINTMENTS



- Go to the Universal Church Directories website (www.ucdir.com)
- Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled “photography appointment scheduling login.”
- Enter your church code (nc643).
- Enter your church password (photos643).
- Click on the “Enter” button.
- Click on the desired photography date.
- Click on the “Reserve Time” button beside the desired photography appointment time.
- Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk).
- Click on the “Schedule Appointment” button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family’s name.
- If you have more than six family members being photographed, please reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:00 and 6:10 p.m.).
- Print the next screen to use as a reminder of your family’s photography appointment.
- Contact Nicole Davis in the church office to change or cancel your photography appointment at (252) 756-1245 or nicole@oakmontchurch.com.

Wednesday Women's Bible Study



WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY began September 9 at 5:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with Dot Seay leading us through the introduction to the seven-week study. Each chapter of this study is written by a different Bible teacher and covers prayers from the Old Testament, Gospels, and Epistles. Week One focuses on the Lord's Prayer from Matthew's Gospel. We look forward to going deeper with this most loved prayer that has guided believers for millennia. Alicia Porterfield will lead us.

Dining Divas: A Social Group for Widows



We meet on the first Friday of each month at 11:30 a.m. and have lunch at a local restaurant. Come and enjoy the friendships of Christian sisters! If you're interested in attending/joining this group, please contact Sue Curll at (252) 321-0214 or sue.v.curll@gmail.com.

Online Giving



When you give through ACS online (via our website), please remember that this can ONLY be used to send the money to the "Operating Fund" (which is our regular budget). Please do not use the other two options in the drop-down menu. We welcome all other gifts for our various ministries (including—but not limited to—communion, building fund, Backpack Pals, and other special events gifts during the year) to be sent to the church either as cash, check, or through your bank. If you write a check, please use the memo line to indicate where your gift should be directed. Also, if you set up a gift through your bank's online platform, most banks have a "memo" line or a "note" line where special instructions may be given digitally. This will be a great help to the church, the tellers who count the money on Mondays, and this also helps our CPA. Thank you for your understanding.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call Lauri Johnson in the church office at 252.756.1245; or you may send an email to lauri@oakmontchurch.com.

Brief Ministry Celebration Following Worship, September 20



In the regular rhythm of our life together, we gather "in conference" to discuss church "business" and to celebrate all God is doing through our ministries. There's much to share this month, but it can be done briefly and doesn't require us to return for a late afternoon meeting. Instead, following the benediction, we'll visit for a few minutes then return to our seats for ministry reports and conversation. Stay late, delay lunch, and hear good news!



Oakmont's Social Media

Our social media presence has increased! Visit our [facebook page](#) to view postings about church happenings, including videos! And now we have an [Instagram](#) page! The purpose of these posts is to share with one another and others in the community how God is working at Oakmont. Therefore, we'd love for you to "share" these postings as a way of informing others about the great things God is doing at Oakmont.

Do you know someone who is not receiving the newsletter?



Please let us know if you would like to receive *E-Connections* online. All we need is an email address. If you have received it in the past and seem to have missed some issues, please check your trash or spam folder, as sometimes it goes into those folders. If you think you should be getting it and you are not, please call us in the office at 252-756-1245. Or if you have any questions, please call us. Thank you.



Let's Welcome Jarvis at Oakmont Preschool

Thanks so much for helping us welcome Jarvis at Oakmont with such a generous number of pop tabs! A few folks dropped by whole bags of them, which greatly added to our number. Jarvis at Oakmont donates these pop tabs to the Ronald McDonald House, who then redeems the pop tabs at aluminum centers for money that supports the day-to-day work of hospitality to families of seriously ill children. What a great way for all of us to work together to help others in need!



Nursery/Preschool Toys and Books Needed at Hope of Glory

If you have toys or children's books to donate, please share them with Hope of Glory, our community ministry partner. Combining our resources with that of our new Jarvis at Oakmont friends has resulted in an abundance of books and toys—even after both groups did some paring down! Thanks for sharing your extra children's items with Hope of Glory which will support their financial empowerment ministry.

Purpose of the Prayer Garden



The purpose of the Prayer Garden is to provide a sacred and peaceful outdoor space where individuals, families, and the community can come away from the busyness of daily life to pray, reflect, remember, and experience spiritual renewal. Surrounded by the beauty of God's creation, the garden is intended to be a place of comfort, healing, gratitude, and hope—a quiet sanctuary where hearts may be strengthened, burdens may be lifted, and faith may be deepened. It will serve as a welcoming place for personal devotion, guided prayer, remembrance, fellowship, and moments of stillness, reminding all who enter that God is present, peace is possible, and prayer remains a powerful source of strength.

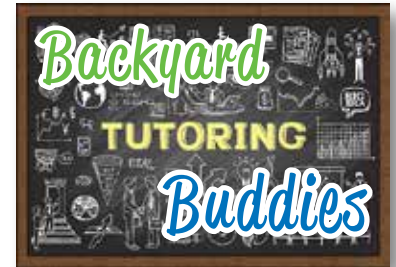
Oakmont Mission Corner



Backyard Buddies After-School Ministry

Backyard Buddies Afterschool Tutoring started back Tuesday with lots of excitement, snacks, and getting back in the groove! Because of construction on the Children's 500 Hall, we are all meeting together in the Fellowship Hall, which makes for lots of fun and a buzz of activity.

We will keep adapting as we figure out how to make this work best for all of our learners. Thanks for praying for us!



The Village Update



It was good to be back with the moms and preschoolers of The Village last Wednesday for Bible study. Kahla and Alicia worked with the preschoolers, and Chris led a study on Matthew 6:25-34 that dealt with worry and trusting God. Jesus assures us in these verses that God will provide for us, and seeking Him first was key to dealing with our worries. The group talked about focusing on today and listened to "One Day at a Time, Sweet Jesus." As a final

activity, the moms wrote their biggest worries on slips of paper, crumpled them up, and threw them in the trash on their way out the door as a sign of letting go. What a great application! Thanks, Chris!

Please remember these prayer requests from the moms:

C: please pray that everything works out with my court date and that I can keep my home and be back with my son soon.

Anon: I would like to pray for my child's father, J. Please lift him up and ask God to reveal himself to J in a mighty way. J is struggling with addiction and many other things. And pray for my daughter L as well, that she will come to know God and his amazing love!

R: please pray for me and my five children and my baby in my belly. Thank you so much.

M: please pray I can stay in recovery, come up with the money to get my driver's license back, and for my children's health.

Anon: please pray for me to return to my family and remain in my sobriety and my journey of recovery.

Backpack Pals



The Backpack Pals team had the first week of delivering 35 backpacks of food to our friends at Eppes Middle School. These backpacks help students living in food insecure situations have enough kid-friendly and kid-accessible food over the weekend. Donations of proteins are always welcome: cans or packs of tuna and chicken and pastas with meat. Thanks!

Clothes Closet



The clothes closet is now accepting donations again! IT IS LOCATED IN THE OLD YOUTH ROOM! The entrance is at the youth room double doors facing the parking lot on the Oakmont Square side of the church. This vital community ministry is open on first and third Tuesdays (no fifth Tuesdays) from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Our second date for the month is the 15th.

If you can help, please contact Robin Congleton at rebecca.congleton55@gmail.com or Alicia at alicia@oakmontchurch.com!

ESL Classes



Our ESL classes resumed this week on Tuesday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. It was so good to be back with our neighbors and support their English-language journey. Please note that the Tuesday class will meet in the Multipurpose Room while construction on the 500 hall continues.

LINKS



LINKS met Tuesday evening and enjoyed sharing an Olive Garden meal together. Their leader from DSS led them in a game of “Get-To-Know-You” Bingo. She had to carefully explain how Bingo worked—many of the kids had never heard of it! They had so much fun! They also learned more about counting money & dealing with finances. Their regular school year schedule is the second Tuesday of each month from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Diane Myers leads this ministry of hospitality with much appreciated support from Nicole Davis.

Young Lives



This ministry of Young Life supports teen moms and their children and meets in our Fellowship Hall the third Tuesday of the month from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Lillie Moore from Young Lives and Bethany Bradsher lead this ministry for moms and their children. They will be back in the Fellowship Hall after a summer break on Tuesday, September 15.

Tuesday
Meals Ministry



Tuesday Night Meals

These meals go out to our homebound Oakmonters as well as those who are dealing with illness, grief, or other difficult circumstances. Our remaining September dates are the 15th and 22nd. There are no meals on the fifth Tuesday, September 29, when the team takes a much deserved break. It's such a gift to have a nice, hot meal on the table when we're in a challenging season. Special thanks to the cooks, packers, and delivery folks that make this ministry work!



Spiritual Formation at OBC

Prayer Team at Oakmont



Oakmont, you have a prayer team that wants to pray for the issues in your life that challenge you! We have set up four prayer boxes around the church; two at the back of the sanctuary, one in Grand Central, and one in the back hallway near the choir suite. There is no issue too small; it would be our honor to support each of you this way. Please put us to work!

Care Team Update



The CARE (Connecting, Appreciating, Responding, Engaging) Team provides a ministry of love and support to some of our members who are not able to attend worship and other church activities on a regular basis. The team makes visits, phone calls, and remembers birthdays, just to name a few things. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry, please contact Lynne James at lynnej@suddenlink.net or Kimberly Williamson at kfwilliamson@suddenlink.net.

Join us on Sunday mornings!

IN-PERSON WORSHIP
this Sunday at 10:45 a.m.

LIVE-STREAM WORSHIP
at 10:45 a.m.

WATCH US ON CABLE CHANNEL 7
at 12:15 p.m.



Watch our worship services online!

You're invited to subscribe to Oakmont's YouTube channel to watch our worship services online! Access it via YouTube by typing in the channel's name: "Oakmont BC Greenville NC." You can also access it by clicking [here](#) or on the YouTube logo above.



Join us for live-stream using the QR code above!



Small Group Connections AT OAKMONT



Life Lessons Bible Studies

Co-ed Small Group

Teacher: Sharron Edwards

Location: Room 311

***Formations Adult Bible Study**

(Smyth and Helwys)

Co-ed Small Group

Teacher: Cal Hayslip

Location: Room 606

Nurturing Faith Bible Study

Co-ed Small Group for adults in 40s–50s who may have children in middle and/or high school

Teacher: Mac Williamson

Location: Room 501

The Journey Class

Co-ed small group for adults ages 30s–50s who may have school-aged children

Teacher: Lauren McGee

Location: Room 502

***Formations Adult Bible Study**

(Smyth and Helwys)

Potter's Clay

Co-ed ongoing class for middle/older adults

Co-teachers: Tim Britton, Ed Congleton, Bill Gaston

Location: Room 300

College/Young Adult Class

A class for college-age coeds

Teacher: Michele Mazey

Location: Room 506

***Formations Adult Bible Study**

(Smyth and Helwys)

Disciples

Co-ed ongoing class for older adults

Co-teachers: Dot Seay, Fred Daniel, Wayne Taylor, and Pat Dunn

Location: Fellowship Hall

***Connections Adult Bible Study**

(Smyth and Helwys)

Messengers

Co-ed ongoing class for senior adults

Teacher: Carol Foor

Location: Room 307

***Formations Adult Bible Study**

(Smyth and Helwys)

Pathfinders

Co-ed ongoing class for senior adults

Co-teachers: Tom Durham, Gerry Jolly

Location: Room 609

Koinonia

An ongoing class for women who are single, divorced, widowed, or women who do not attend a class with their husbands.

During the summer, this small group chooses a contemporary book on a relevant subject, often written by a female author, to study together.

Teacher: Bridgette Williamson

Location: Room 610 (and off-campus on occasion)

Children's Connection

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, WE WILL BE LEARNING ABOUT HOW GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US WHEREVER WE GO! ALTHOUGH WE CANNOT PHYSICALLY SEE GOD, GOD IS ALWAYS CLOSE TO US. GOD HEARS US WHEN WE LAUGH, GOD HEARS US WHEN WE CRY, AND GOD HEARS OUR PRAYERS. THE BIBLE STORIES THAT WE WILL BE LEARNING FROM THIS MONTH WILL TEACH US THAT, NO MATTER WHAT, GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US. IT IS A WONDERFUL GIFT TO KNOW THAT GOD'S PRESENCE SURROUNDS US, IT PROTECTS US, IT PROVIDES FOR US, AND IT GUIDES US ON THE JOURNEYS WE TAKE IN LIFE. THIS MONTH, LET US REJOICE AND KNOW THAT GOD IS ALWAYS WITH US!

Our Bible story for this week comes to us from Genesis 21:14-20. In this story there is a woman named Hagar. Hagar had been sent into the desert with her baby, and as they were traveling, they drank all of the water that they had with them. Hagar began to get very worried for both her and her baby. She did not know how they were going to make it out of the desert and she was worried that her baby might not survive! As she was thinking about these things, both her and the baby began to cry. But as they were crying, an angel of God appeared to Hagar. The angel told her that God had heard their cries and had promised to take care of them. Just then, God provided a well of water for Hagar and the baby. Hagar went to the well and gave her baby something to drink. She knew at that moment that God was going to take care of them forever!

This story is a great reminder that God always hears us. In the desert, Hagar was at one of the lowest moments of her life. She was lost, confused, and scared. She had a baby to take care of and didn't know where to turn to. We can imagine how terrified she must have felt. Hagar was so upset that she didn't even

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PRESCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

September Bible Study Lessons

(Bible story video & resources emailed out each Friday)

SEPTEMBER THEME: EVERYWHERE I GO – GOD IS ALWAYS WITH ME

The grocery store, doctor's office, playground, school, church...our children go to a lot of places! And while some places spark adventure and play, other places can make our children feel a little anxious or afraid. So, this month's memory verse is perfect for our busy children: "God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9 ESV). Although our children cannot see God, we want them to know that God is always with them. God is close enough to hear their giggles and tears, and God hears them when they pray. So, we have four Bible stories to share this month that will help our children learn this month's Bottom Line: God is always with me. God's presence is a gift. God protects us. God provides for us. God helps and guides us wherever we go. So join us this month as we show our children that God will always be with them, no matter what they experience. As we share these stories with them, let's pray that the Holy Spirit will help us demonstrate our own trust in God, so our words and actions point children to one undeniable truth: God is always with me.

September Memory Verse

"God is with you wherever you go." – Joshua 1:9 NLT

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have words to describe how she was feeling...all she could do was cry. But guess what, God heard her crying. God heard the baby crying too! In her lowest moments, God heard her and God was there for her.

Perhaps you have had times in life where you felt like Hagar. Times when things weren't going how you wanted them to. When everything seemed to be going against you and you did not know what to do. Maybe you were so upset all you could do was cry. But even in those moments, God heard you! God was with you and God took care of you...whether you even realized it or not!

This week I want you to remember that God always hears you, whether it is tears of sadness, or shouts of joy, or something in between! God always hears us, even if we don't know what to say. And when God hears us, God will be sure to show up and help us, no matter what!

—Ben Gurganus, Associate Pastor for Youth & Christian Education
Resources and ideas are from Orange Curriculum.

First – Sixth Grade

1st–6th Grade September Bible Study Lessons

(Bible story video & resources emailed out each Friday)

SEPTEMBER THEME: FREQUENCY – Learning to Hear From God

In September, school and schedules take off like a bullet train. That's why it's so vital for all of us to learn how to pause, take a deep breath, and tune our hearts to hear from God. Our faith is living and active. We serve a God who wants to speak to us and who designed us to hear from God every day! For many of us though, hearing from God feels complicated. Where do I start? How do I know if it's God or my own thoughts? God loves when we ask those questions—and we're excited to help kids ask those questions, too, as we explore this month's theme: FREQUENCY—Learning to Hear from God. The story of Samuel shows you don't have to wait until you are older to hear from God! Our world is so full of noise and anxiety that learning to hear God's voice is vital. It's a rescue. When kids learn to stay close to Jesus and hear directly from God that they are loved and valuable, they can walk through a chaotic world with a growing peace and confidence.

— Weekly Bottom Lines for September —

September 6

I can hear from God.

September 20

I can grow when I stay close to God.

September 13

I can learn to know God through the Bible.

September 27

I can ask God to speak to me.

September Memory Verse

"My sheep listen to my voice. I know them, and they follow me."

— John 10:27 NIV

The youth group will meet on a regular weekly basis,
every Sunday and Wednesday night, unless otherwise posted.

ON SUNDAY EVENINGS, the youth will arrive at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m., and small group Bible study will begin at 6:30. Youth can be picked up by 7:30 p.m. each Sunday.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT Bible study is from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. each week.

Calling all children & youth! Join us for Bible study & activities!



Children's Ministry Text Group

For any parents of children who would like to be added to the Children's Ministry text alerts, please text "oakmontkids" (no quotation marks needed) to 833-744-0524. *Stay informed!*

— This Week's Events —

Sunday, Sept. 13

Deacon Ballots Due
Pictorial Directory Sign-Ups
Before & After Worship
Narthex

9:40 a.m.
Bible Study/Sunday School

10:45 a.m.
In-Person & Live-Stream Worship

12:15 p.m.
Worship on Cable
Channel 7

1:00 p.m.
Korean Church Service & Lunch
Fellowship Hall

3:30 p.m.
Handbell Rehearsal
Room 607

5:30 p.m.
Youth Dinner & Bible Study
Branches

Monday, Sept. 14

3:15 p.m.
Backyard Buddies Tutoring
& ESL Classes

6:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery

Tuesday, Sept. 15

10:00 a.m.
Oakmont Handcrafters Group

1:00 p.m.
Homebound Meal
Preparation & Delivery

2:00 p.m.
Clothes Closet

3:15 p.m.
Backyard Buddies Tutoring
& ESL Classes

7:00 p.m.
Young Lives Meeting
Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Sept. 16

11:00 a.m.
Drop-in Bible Study

5:45 p.m.
Women's Bible Study
Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Activities
for All Ages
Large Group Bible Study
ESL
Orchestra Rehearsal

7:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, Sept. 17

10:00 a.m.
JOY Singers Rehearsal

Our Record of Our
FINANCIAL
Sunday



September 6, 2026

FAITHFULNESS

2026 MISSIONS AND MINISTRY SPENDING PLAN: \$1,304,524

Receipts (This Week)	\$28,655.71	Communion Offering (This Week)	\$870
(\$2,840 Online \$25,815.71 Mail)		Communion Offering (MTD)	\$870
Receipts (MTD)	\$28,655.71	Building Fund (This Week)	\$360
Receipts 2026 (YTD)	\$804,168.90	Building Fund (MTD)	\$360
Receipts 2025 (YTD)	\$743,612.47	Building Fund (YTD)	\$18,204

The Worship of God at Oakmont

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME

Rev. Eric Porterfield

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Laurie Cosby

HYMN

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

MORNING PRAYER

Rev. Alicia Porterfield

HYMN

"How Great Is the Greatness of God"

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

Rev. Ben Gurganus

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP TIME

Rev. Ben Gurganus

ANTHEM

"He's Always Been Faithful"
Chancel Choir and Orchesetra

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 1:1-11

Rev. Eric Porterfield

SERMON

"Abounding in Gratitude, Love, and Hope"

Rev. Eric Porterfield

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

Rev. Eric Porterfield

HYMN

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

SENDING FORTH GOD'S PEOPLE

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Rev. Ben Gurganus

BENEDICTION

Rev. Eric Porterfield

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Mr. Jim Gilliam
Music Assistant

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