

E-Connections

News from **Oakmont Baptist Church**

A Word from Our Pastor

It was Easter Sunday morning. Our boys were young, dressed in perfectly selected matching outfits, the kind of look that demanded a picture. So, before securing them in their car seats and driving to church, Alicia and I instructed them to stand together on the front porch and smile for the camera. You probably know where I'm going with this . . . instead of smiling there was whining and complaining. Instead of standing together and standing still, there was pinching and kicking and jostling. Thankfully, no one was hurt, we managed to get a decent picture, and somehow recovered our sense of sanity to join our congregation in worship.

Such a scene may or may not occur when all of us get our pictures taken for the church pictorial directory, but I do believe our photographer will get not just decent pictures but great pictures of our church family. The photographer will be here October 1-3 and you can make appointments online or in the narthex on Sundays (see article below for more details). Please sign up! We want everyone to be included.

Are toddlers and preschoolers too young to pinch, and do they always stand still when we ask them to? Of course not! But the Jarvis Preschool children will receive lots of love from their teachers and from our church when they arrive for the first day of school this Wednesday, September 9. Please be in prayer for this wonderful ministry.

One of my fondest memories is walking our boys through the hallways of the church on the way to their Wednesday night activities, and picking them up

at the playground afterward.

Sometimes I walk the halls at Oakmont and imagine similar walks at First Baptist Sanford, where our boys were born, and Winter Park in Wilmington, where they spent most of their childhoods. There was a joy knowing they were with people who loved them and a joy being together with the church family in the middle of the week. I'm grateful, deeply grateful, to make those walks next Wednesday night as our Fall Wednesday ministries begin.

Don't forget to prayerfully discern and nominate people you think would serve our church well as deacons. Ballots have been mailed to church members and must be returned to the church office by Sunday morning, September 13.

As we take pictures, welcome the preschool, gather on Wednesday nights, elect deacons, and do so many other things, may the Lord guide and direct us, that we may become more like Jesus as individuals and as a congregation so that others may experience the love of Christ through us. Amen.

Grace and peace,
Eric Porterfield





OBC Updates



September 6

Psalm 119:33-40
Eric Porterfield preaching

September 13

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

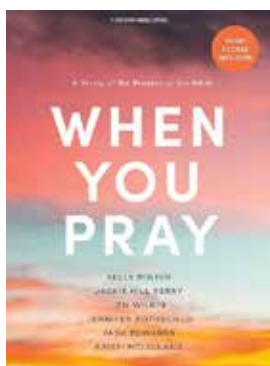
Wednesday Night Ministries Return September 9!



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 embrace another semester of this wonderful mid-week rhythm on Wednesday, September 9.

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 Multi-purpose 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 resume on the 9th.

Wednesday Women's Bible Study: Fall Edition



Wednesday Women's Bible Study: Fall Edition begins September 9 at 5:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Together, we will study six different prayers in scripture guided by the book *When You Pray*. Each chapter of this seven-session study is written by a different Bible teacher and covers prayers from the Old Testament, Gospels, and Epistles. Not only will we explore scriptural prayers, but we will also work on deepening and expanding our own prayer lives. Please contact [Alicia](#) if you'd like to reserve a book (\$20 each; scholarships available), or you can order yours [here](#) (Just FYI, the price of the book has fluctuated recently). Can't wait to be together again and be shaped by God through the gift of prayer!

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



Wednesday, September 9

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

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

Thursday, September 10

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

Sunday, September 13

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.

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!

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.



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.



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 by Collecting Pop Tabs!



Jarvis Preschool collects "pop tabs" (the tabs on aluminum soft drink cans) for the Ronald McDonald House, a charity that provides accommodations for families of out-of-town pediatric patients at major hospitals (learn more [here](#)). The charity redeems the pop tabs at aluminum centers, and those funds support the day-to-day work of the houses. What a great way for these children and their families to help other children and their families in need!

Let's help welcome the preschool and support this ministry by collecting as many pop tabs as we can by their opening day, September 9. Collection spots will be on the table in the narthex and at the church office.

Click [here](#) or on the image to access the website to learn more!

Oakmont Prayer Garden WE HAVE A TEAM

We are blessed to share that a dedicated team of volunteers has stepped forward to care for our Prayer Garden. Their time, effort, and love help keep this special space beautiful, peaceful, and welcoming for all who come to pray, reflect, and spend time with God.

We thank each member of the team for their willingness to serve and for the many ways they help nurture this sacred place. Please keep these volunteers in your prayers as they continue their ministry of stewardship and hospitality. We invite everyone to enjoy the Prayer Garden and take advantage of this quiet space for prayer and reflection throughout the week.

Our team consists of:

- Lawn Tenders: John Groesser, Ed Congleton, Bill Gaston, Al Hollow, David Steele
- Weed Control: Bobby Fussell, Betty Langston, Tanya Gosnell, and Dot Seay
- Rose Tender: Carol Brown (The roses won't be needing tending until the spring. Hopefully, Carol will be able to continue at that time.)

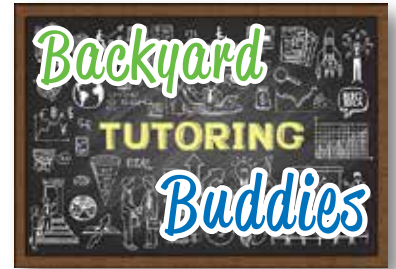
We could use a consultant (I have a brown thumb) for just ideas and advice. No work would be involved unless desired. For any questions, contact David Steele at 252-916-5322 or steeled02@gmail.com.

Oakmont Mission Corner



Backyard Buddies After-School Ministry

Tutors gathered August 31 at noon for Chicken Salad Chick (our favorite!) and to plan for fall Backyard Buddies ministry in the Fellowship Hall starting Tuesday, September 8. This move to the Fellowship Hall during construction of the new Youth Room will be an adjustment for everyone, so prayers are welcome! *We could use one more tutor on Tuesdays, so please let Alicia know if you can help with this ministry.*



The Village Update



We will be back at the Village Wednesday, September 9 for Bible study, prayer time, and play time with the littles. Please pray for our time with the moms in recovery and their younger-than-school-age kids. There is so much harm and pain in their lives—and yet the truth of Jesus' resurrection bears witness that the hardest things that happen to us are never the last things to happen to us (to paraphrase author Frederick Buechner).

Please pray with us for these needs the women wrote on their prayer cards:

K: Pray that I successfully complete this program in six months and be returned to a stable home with my kids.

J: Please pray for all these women and children to all build and restore our bonds with our children.

R: Please pray for me and my children, five who are not here with me. Pray for my new baby, too, who is due in Dec.

T: Please pray for a safe delivery and a healthy baby boy and for my mother and daughter (mom is caring for her daughter).

Anon: Pray for my health and for my daughter to be able to read and spell and for my preschooler to be fully potty trained.

Anon: Pray that God will guide me through thick and thin and help me appreciate the things that I do have.

One additional prayer request: please pray that more of the women will stay on for continued support after their 60 or 90 day court-assigned end. These moms need and deserve more time for the serious work of healing and recovery. Please join us in praying that the moms who are there will begin to understand and fully accept the support and time the program offers as they seek to start anew.

MULTI-MEDIA

Our 10:45 a.m. worship service is recorded each week and shown on Cable 7 at 12:15 p.m.

Live streaming of our service and service archives are available in the Media section of our website.

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 remaining date in September 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 will resume Tuesday, September 8 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and Wednesday, September 9 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. We look forward to being with our neighbors who are working hard to learn English. Please note that the Tuesday class will meet in the Multipurpose Room while construction on the 500 hall continues.

LINKS



LINKS will be back on September 8 and will resume their regular school-year schedule: the second Tuesday of each month from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Diane Myers leads this ministry of hospitality. Let's pray for these teens as they prepare to return to school later in the month.

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 on Tuesday, September 15.

Tuesday Night Meals

Tuesday
Meals Ministry



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 8th, 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!

Backpack Pals



Liz Evans and the team are stocking the Backpack Pals room for a new year of supporting Eppes Middle students who are in food insecure situations. Donations of proteins would be a great way to start the year: cans or packs of tuna and chicken and pastas with meat. Thanks!



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 Daniel 6:1-23. In this story there was a man named Daniel, and Daniel was an Israelite living in the land of Babylon. The people of Babylon did not worship the God of Israel. However, despite this, Daniel was selected to be a top court official for the king of Babylon—King Darius. This made King Darius' other court officials very jealous! In fact, the other court officials tricked King Darius into passing a law that made it illegal to worship any god or person for the next 30 days, because they knew that Daniel would disobey the law to pray to God. So, after the law was passed, the other court officials spied on Daniel and waited for him to pray to God. When Daniel was found praying, the court officials went to the King and told him what happened. Now, King Darius liked Daniel a lot, and he was deeply troubled when he heard that it was Daniel who had broken the law. However, the King was not able to

"Daniel and the Lions:" | Click [HERE](#).

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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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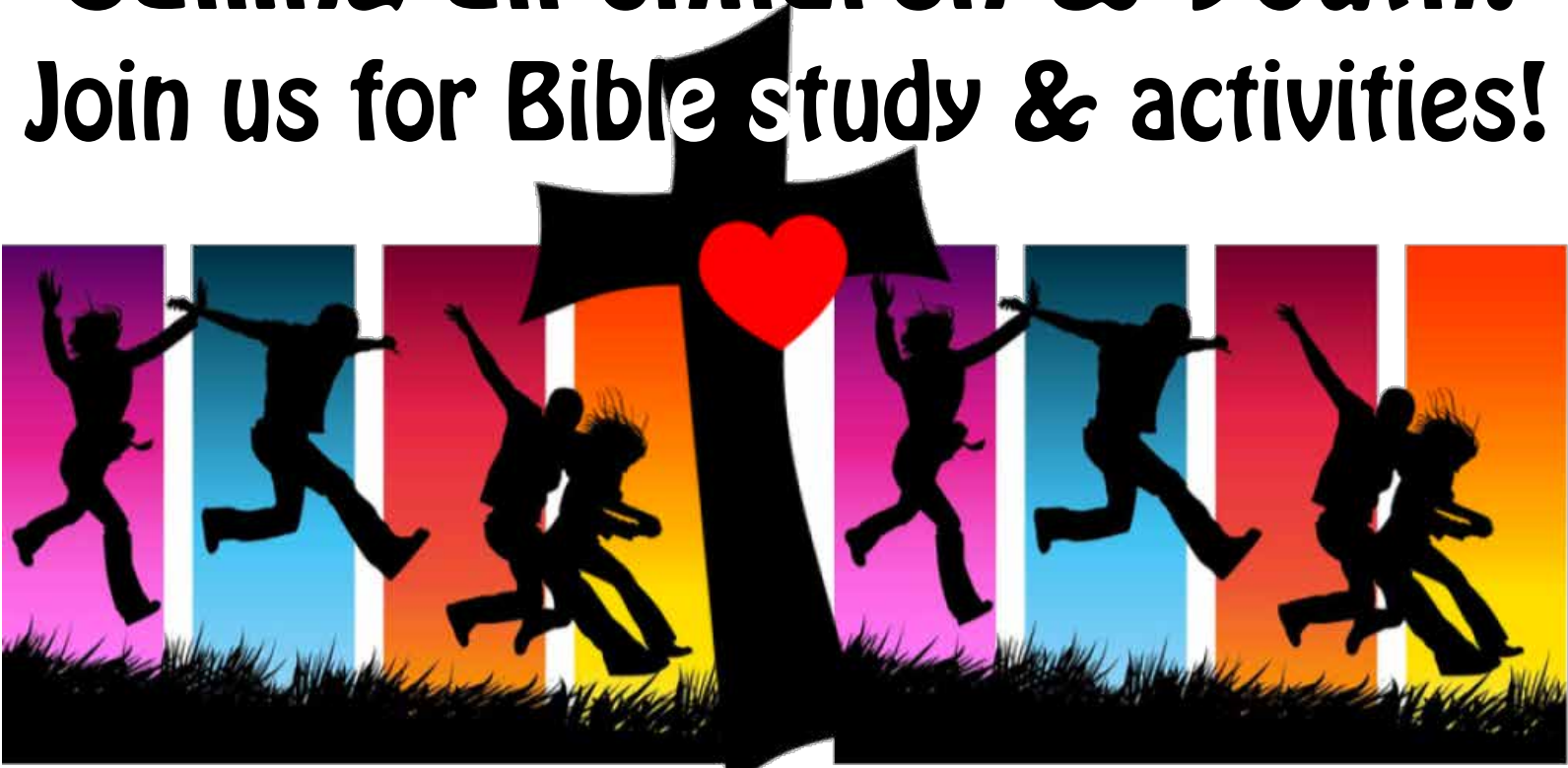
rescue Daniel from the law that had been made. As punishment, Daniel was thrown into a den full of hungry lions! The court officials sealed the den and left Daniel in there overnight. The next morning, King Darius rushed to the lion's den to see what had happened. To his surprise, and great relief, Daniel had survived the night...the lions had not eaten him! When Daniel saw the King he said, "My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in his sight. Nor have I ever done any wrong before you, Your Majesty." When Daniel was brought out of the den, there wasn't a single scratch on him! God had protected Daniel from the lions and kept him safe for the entire night.

What a wonderful story to remind us that even in the scariest times of our lives, God is always with us! I want you to think for a moment, has there ever been a time when you were really scared or nervous, but everything turned out ok? Have you ever thought about how God was with you in that moment? Although we cannot see God with our eyes, we know that God is with us based on the circumstances of our lives. In the story of Daniel, Daniel's enemies tried having him killed. But Daniel prayed to God, and God kept Daniel safe. Even though Daniel could not see God, he knew that God was there. He trusted that God was with him.

No matter what you are going through in life, God is always with you. In the good times, the bad times, and everything in between, I want you to trust and know that you do not go through those moments alone. God goes through those moments with you. So even when things don't go our way, God helps us get through the tough times. When things are going great and exactly how we planned them to, God is the one who brings us our joy. This week, I want you to remember the story of Daniel. Remember how Daniel remained faithful to God in everything, a reminder that God is always with us!

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

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



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.

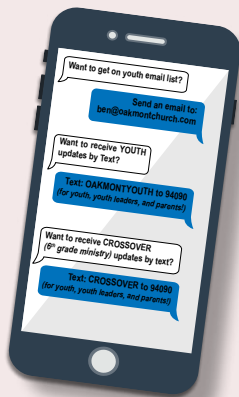
September 27

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



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. 6

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

Monday, Sept. 7

Office Closed in
Observance of Labor Day

6:30 p.m.
Celebrate Recovery

Tuesday, Sept. 8

9:00 a.m.
Jarvis Preschool at Oakmont
Meet & Greet
MPR

10:00 a.m.
Oakmont Handcrafters Group

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

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

5:00 p.m.
LINKS
Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Sept. 9

Jarvis Preschool Opens
at Oakmont

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

12:30 p.m.
The Village Visit

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. 10

10:00 a.m.
JOY Singers Rehearsal

2:00 p.m.
Memorial Service for Dennis Biggs
Sanctuary

Our Record of Our
FINANCIAL
Sunday



August 30, 2026

FAITHFULNESS

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

Receipts (This Week)	\$17,030.25	Communion Offering (This Week)	\$265
(\$4,049 Online \$12,951.25 Mail)		Communion Offering (MTD)	\$1,675
Receipts (MTD)	\$113,558.34	Building Fund (This Week)	\$482
Receipts 2026 (YTD)	\$775,513.19	Building Fund (MTD)	\$2,782
Receipts 2025 (YTD)	\$720,120.47	Building Fund (YTD)	\$17,844

The Worship of God at Oakmont

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

WELCOME

Rev. Eric Porterfield

CALL TO WORSHIP

"How Great Is the Greatness of God"

HYMN

"How Firm a Foundation"

PRAYERS AND OFFERINGS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

MORNING PRAYER

Rev. Eric Porterfield

HYMN

"Speak, O Lord"

OFFERTORY SENTENCES

Cathy Bunch

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE OF GOD'S PEOPLE

NEW TESTAMENT

I Timothy 3:14-17

Rev. Alicia Porterfield

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP TIME

Rev. Ben Gurganus

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 119:33-40

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SERMON

"Teach Us, O Lord"

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HYMN

"Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

SENDING FORTH GOD'S PEOPLE

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