



MAKING JESUS KNOWN – TOGETHER.

10:00am – August 25th, 2024

Children’s Ministry (*birth – 6th grade*) available

- Welcome/Prayer** Pastor Brian
- Baptism of Andrew Fatato** Pastor Brian
- Songs of Worship** Worship Team
(5-6th grade leave for class in Edu Wing, last room on left)
- Message** Pastor Brian
- Song of Worship** Worship Team

NEW GUESTS: Please visit Welcome Booth for more info & a free gift

Special Upcoming Opportunities

CHAIR TEAM SIGNUP: We are looking for 40 men to volunteer once per month on Saturday morning to assist with our chair team so that the church can enjoy sports during the week. Please sign up in the foyer and come to the kick-off meeting on Saturday Sept 21st at 8am – breakfast will be served. Questions? tim.stuitje@gmail.com

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD DONATION BOX: Each month through October we will be collecting items such as school supplies, personal care & other needs. See flyers by box in foyer for details. Children’s Church will use items to fill OCC boxes in November.

FALL MEN’S RETREAT @ CAMP OF THE WOODS: Fri-Sun, Sept 27-29
This year’s theme: “Tactical Discipleship: a game plan for growth.”
Cost is \$200. Cost includes lodging, meals, and activities. Sign up in foyer (25 spots avail). **Signup and money is due by Sunday Sept 1st.**

JESUS: A DEAF MISSIONS FILM IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE:
Film includes soundtrack & English subtitles for those not fluent in ASL. Gideon Firl who plays Jesus will be at event! Purchase tickets at brushfire.com/faitcontentnetwork/jesus-deafmissionsfilm/580013/tickets
Adults: \$12.55 Kids: \$10.45. Snacks available for purchase.

KID’S PLAYDATE – Tuesdays from 10-noon. Bring bikes/trikes!
Contact Tiffani Stuitje for more information: tnt.stuitje@gmail.com

Everyday Life at OAC

BAPTISM: Baptism is a special time to celebrate your journey of faith & obedience to Christ. Contact a pastor to tell of your interest.

PRAYER: Join with others on Sundays 9-9:40am and/or the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays 6:30pm in the last room on the left in the Education wing.

YOUTH GROUP: Teens in 7th-12th grade invited Sunday evenings from 6-8pm for teaching/connections/snacks/games. *website: /youth*

GIVING OPTIONS: 1) Drop in offering boxes by worship center doors
2) Check by mail. 3) Use link on website / app. *website: /egiving*

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Paul Defends His Ministry

2 Corinthians: God’s Power in Our Weakness

1:12–2:4(ESV)

12 For our boast is this, the testimony of our conscience, that we behaved in the world with simplicity and godly sincerity, not by earthly wisdom but by the grace of God, and supremely so toward you. 13 For we are not writing to you anything other than what you read and understand and I hope you will fully understand— 14 just as you did partially understand us—that on the day of our Lord Jesus you will boast of us as we will boast of you.

15 Because I was sure of this, I wanted to come to you first, so that you might have a second experience of grace. 16 I wanted to visit you on my way to Macedonia, and to come back to you from Macedonia and have you send me on my way to Judea. 17 Was I vacillating when I wanted to do this? Do I make my plans according to the flesh, ready to say “Yes, yes” and “No, no” at the same time? 18 As surely as God is faithful, our word to you has not been Yes and No. 19 For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, whom we proclaimed among you, Silvanus and Timothy and I, was not Yes and No, but in him it is always Yes. 20 For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory. 21 And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, 22 and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

23 But I call God to witness against me—it was to spare you that I refrained from coming again to Corinth. 24 Not that we lord it over your faith, but we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith.

2:1 For I made up my mind not to make another painful visit to you. 2 For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? 3 And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. 4 For I wrote to you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

(Outline and scriptures on back)

1) Defense begins (12-14)

2) Defense of his plans (15-22)

3) Defense of his intentions (1:23-2:4)

2 Corinthians 5:21

21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Ephesians 1:13-14

13 In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.