

OAK RIDGE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Welcome. Grow. Love.

**We Give
Our Lives
to
Jesus**



www.oakridgeumc.org

February 4, 2018

11:15am

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

GATHERING

Welcome! Our prayer is that you will experience the presence of Christ in this service. Please sign the "Connection" pads located at the end of each pew so we can get an accurate record of attendance. If you are a first time guest, we are so grateful to have you with us. Please stop by the Welcome and Information Desk in the entrance to the Sanctuary so we can give you a Welcome Gift Bag.

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

* FLAG CEREMONY

Pledge to the American Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

Pledge to the Christian Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag, and to the Savior for whose kingdom it stands, one Savior, crucified, risen, and coming again, with life and liberty to all who believe.

Pledge to the Bible

I pledge allegiance to the Bible, God's Holy Word. I will make it a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. I will hide its words in my heart that I might not sin against God.

SCOUTING MOMENTS

(Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts & American Heritage Girls)

BLESSING OF SCOUTS

* OPENING HYMN *"Take My Life"* No. 399 (UMH)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Larissa Brown

WE CALL UPON GOD IN PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us

help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, ¹⁰if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday. ¹¹The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. ¹²Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

THE MESSAGE

Pastor Christi

“How Are You Going to Invest?”

A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

BREAKING THE BREAD

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

Please come forward as the ushers direct you to receive the elements of communion. Space is available at the altar if you choose to spend time there in prayer. Gluten-free communion wafers are available on the communion rail. If you are unable to come forward to receive the elements of communion, please inform an usher who will then inform the pastor. We will then bring the elements to your pew.

SENDING FORTH

- * CLOSING HYMN *“I Surrender All”* No. 354 vs. 1-4 (UMH)
- * EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES
- * BENEDICTION
- * POSTLUDE

* The congregation is asked to stand.

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Oak Ridge Scouting by the Scouts.

Sermon Notes

“This week will be different because my take home from Sunday is...”

Announcements

Fellowship Time - You are invited to our fellowship time that is held between worship services. This is a time to visit with friends and meet new ones! We'll have the coffee pot on and some breakfast goodies available in the Café from 8:30 – 8:55 and from 10:00 – 10:30. We will also have coffee in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 8:15 worship service. Wherever you head for fellowship time, we welcome you and encourage you to come!

*****Pancake Dinner Date Change!** - The Feed and Seed pancake meal is on Thursday, February 15, at 5:30pm. Pancakes will be served in the Family Life Center.

Ash Wednesday Service - A Service will be held in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, February 14, at 7:00pm, as we begin the Lenten Season. All are invited and encouraged to attend. The Imposition of Ashes (ashes placed upon the forehead) will be included in this service.

Souper Bowl Food Collection - We are celebrating Souper Bowl Sunday with a special food collection for our local ministries! Please bring peanut butter (15ozs) for the Backpack Ministry if you think the Patriots are going to win the big game and chicken noodle soup for Good Samaritan Food Pantry if you think the Eagles will win. Items may be brought to the Sanctuary or Family Life Center lobbies today!

Men's Ministry: God's Garage - The next meeting is on Monday, February 5, 6:30-8:00pm, at Jay Golding's garage. God's garage is a tuneup for the soul. 1M@G is about men talking about issues that each of us face and finding out we have a Master Mechanic 24/7 for every detail. Join us and bring a friend. Doors open at 6:30pm. The address is 7827 Athens Rd, Stokesdale. Join us for fun and fellowship!

Mission of the Month: Good Samaritan Ministries- GSM is a local mission serving those who live within a 10 mile radius of the 11 member churches in Stokesdale and Oak Ridge. Each month, we collect two food items from our church members, as noted in the bulletin. These items can be placed in the donation center located in the lobby near the church office. A monetary collection will be taken next week to purchase additional food items and to provide emergency financial assistance as needed.

Club 45 - Club 45 will meet today in the café from 12:30 - 2:00pm. This is for all 4th and 5th graders! We will have pizza, Bible study and work on a mission project.

Help Wanted! - Volunteers are needed for our Easter Event and Vacation Bible School. Please take time to visit the bulletin board located in the information area between the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. You will find lots of details and have an opportunity to sign up! Contact Larissa Brown at larissa.brown@oakridgeumc.org for more information.

Mary Martha Circle - Next meeting is Monday, February 12, 3:00pm, at the home of Cassandra Thacker. The guest speaker will be a pharmacist, Chandler Combs. She will speak on the opioid epidemic and senior medication issues. Questions? Contact Cassandra at 336-643-4894.

Blood Drive – The blood drive will be held Monday, February 12, 2:30-7:00pm. Recent snow and the flu season have drastically hurt donations and created an urgent need for all types of blood. Please help save a life by taking an hour or so to donate a pint of blood. Appointments are recommended, but we will process walk-ins as quickly as possible. You can schedule an appointment on the church website, <http://www.oakridgeumc.org>, and click on News/Upcoming Events. If you cannot donate blood, consider contributing a baked goodie for the canteen. Donors really appreciate the special treats we make available. We also recommend using the Red Cross RapidPass web application which speeds up processing at the drive. On the day of your appointment, visit <https://www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass>.

February Ridgerunner - The monthly newsletter is available in the lobbies and on the church website. Meet our newest members and more in the latest issue!

Coffee with the Pastors - Have you been attending Oak Ridge UMC and have questions about the church? Coffee with the Pastors is for you! Our senior pastor, Andy Lambert, and associate pastor, Christi Taylor, would love to answer your questions! They are ready and eager to share who we are, what we do and how to join as well as any other questions you may have! We invite you to discover more about Oak Ridge, where you fit in and possible next steps with us, Sunday, February 11, 10:00-10:45 am, in the senior pastor's office. Please contact Phyllis Rowe at phyllis.rowe@oakridgeumc.org for more information and to RSVP.

FEED AND SEED

Will Meet on
Thursday Nights
In February!

Thursday, February 8, 5:30 - 7:00pm, Family Life Center

Menu: Country Style Steak/Baked Chicken/Chicken Tenders (for young children)/Mashed Potatoes/Macaroni & Cheese/Broccoli/Bread/Dessert

RSVP: If you'd like to join us for any (or all) Thursdays this month, please contact Tara Shelton at tara.shelton@oakridgeumc.org, fill out a reservation card (available at the Guest Stations before and after church each Sunday), or make your reservation online at www.oakridgeumc.org (under News/Upcoming Events). Deadline for reservations is Monday, February 5, 4:30pm.

It is our prayer that these weekly events will be self-sustaining. Recommended minimum donations of \$5 per child and \$8.50 per adult will be accepted onsite to cover the cost of the meals.

If you are interested in helping with this new Fellowship Ministry in any way (financial support, chair set-up, serving drinks/food, clean-up, etc), please contact Kim Jackson at kjacksonathome@gmail.com.



The background of the poster is a dark blue night sky filled with white and light blue snowflakes and stars. A large, stylized tree with a white trunk and branches is the central focus, its branches covered in a dense spray of white and light blue snowflakes. The ground is depicted with wavy, layered bands of light blue and white, representing snow. Several smaller, bare trees are scattered in the background. The text is overlaid on this scene in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

Winter Flurry For Families

**Saturday, February 17
6:00-8:00pm**

Popcorn

Bouncy Houses

Music

Snowcones

**Door
Prizes**

Connect at ORUMC!

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

- 8:15 & 11:15 Worship services, held in the Sanctuary, that use a variety of hymns, songs and readings to support the weekly message.
- 9:00 (Crosswalk) - A service held in the Family Life Center where the weekly message is supported by worship bands that lead with vibrant Christian music.

Nursery Schedule, Room B109

- 8:15, 9:00 & 11:15am Worship services, 4 years and younger
10:00am Discipleship Hour, infants & toddlers only

Sunday Morning Discipleship Hour

- 10:00 Discipleship Hour with a place for all ages to grow in their knowledge of God, apply His Word and become imitators of Christ.

For information about our ministries, contact:

Adult Ministry, Rev. Susan Mitchell,

susan.mitchell@oakridgeumc.org, ext. 222

Children & Family Ministry, Larissa Brown,

larissa.brown@oakridgeumc.org, ext. 203

Music Ministry, Kenny Phillips,

kenny.phillips@oakridgeumc.org, 336-643-4690 ext. 223

Youth Ministry, Erin Betlej,

erin.betlej@oakridgeumc.org, 336-643-4690 ext. 204

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Weekly Adult Recreational Opportunities

Zumba: Monday, 9:05am (FLC); Thursday, 9:05am (FLC)

Line Dancing: Tuesday, 9:30 (FLC)

Yoga: Monday, 7:00pm (Café); Wednesday, 9:00am (F219);

Thursday, 7:00pm (Fellowship Hall)

For more calendar information, please visit the church website at www.oakridgeumc.org.

Opportunities for Service

February 4

February 11

8:15am Worship

Acolytes	na	Liam Schooley
Ushers	Gary & Diane Baysinger	C. Rumley, K. Bailey
Children's Sermon	Susan Mitchell	na
Door Greeters	John & Cathie Rollins	Ed & Nancy Saxmon
A/V	Edward Jordan	David & Elaine Jones

11:15am Worship

Acolytes	C. & B. Gaines	C. Little, L. Barnes
Ushers	Jackson, Toth, Thompson, Covington	Jackson, Toth, Thompson, Covington
Children's Sermon	Larissa Brown	na
Door Greeters	Scouts	Church & Beth Brown
Communion Servers	L. Lamb, T. Ring, J. Barnes, L. Barnes	na
Guest Station	Russell & Debbie Collier	Donna Gardner
Sound Technician	Todd Ring	Jeff Hallman
ProPresenter	Benjamin Ring	Victoria Hallman
Cameras	Tim Florence	Jackson Hallman
Financial Workers	V. Gardner, M. Hogan	L. Williams, P. Hogan

Altar Guild for February: Elizabeth McKee

Our Presence:

Attendance for Sunday, 1/28/18

8:15 Sanctuary Worship	67
9:00 Contemporary Worship	186
11:15 Sanctuary Worship	202
Total	455

Our Gifts:

Sunday, 1/28/18

Weekly Amount Needed:	\$ 24,218
Weekly Amount Received:	\$ 14,675
Year-to-date Amount Needed:	\$ 87,407
Year-to-date Amount Received:	\$ 80,785 (92%)

Food Collection for Local Ministries for February

Good Samaritan Pantry:

Chicken noodle soup

Backpack Ministry:

Peanut butter (15ozs)
& Jelly (20 Oz. squeezable)

Please place donations in the Donation Center located near the church office. Thank you for your support.

February Prayers and Praises

Prayer needs

The Sarkisian family in the passing of Graham Fuquay, father of Tonya Sarkisian

Ronnie Barts, double pneumonia, brother of Gary Barts

The Fishburne family in the passing of Dana Fishburne, friend of Diane Lomax

Bob Ermish, vascular & esophageal issues, friend of Rene Parrish

The Englishman family in the passing of Dennis Englishman, Jr.

Lisa McGee, recovering from back surgery

Hope Boyce, cancer, friend of Edyie Bryant

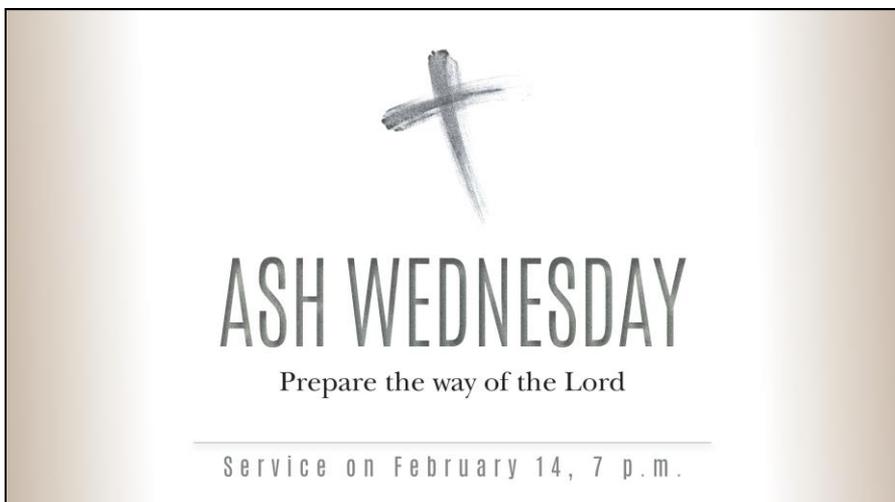
Katie Guse, brain surgery, niece of Tom & Amy Guse

Melvin Myers, cancer on his ear, brother-in-law of Jackie Myers

Praises

Feed & Seed bringing all 3 worship service attendees together!

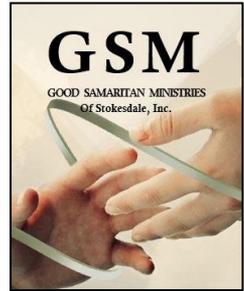
If you have a prayer request or a praise, please fill out a prayer card found in the pew pockets and place it in the offering plate or contact Pam Jordan at pam.jordan@oakridgeumc.org or 336-643-4690 ext. 201.



A graphic for Ash Wednesday. At the top center is a simple, hand-drawn cross. Below the cross, the words "ASH WEDNESDAY" are written in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Underneath that, in a smaller font, is the phrase "Prepare the way of the Lord". A horizontal line separates this text from the bottom line, which reads "Service on February 14, 7 p.m." in a smaller, all-caps font.

Mission of the Month: Good Samaritan Ministries (GSM)

Thank you all for your generous support of GSM. This is a local mission, serving those who live within a 10-mile radius of the 11 member churches in Stokesdale and Oak Ridge. Through your generosity, ORUMC provided 4833 pounds of food items, and approximately \$2,000 for emergency financial assistance in 2017. Over the past several months, we have seen an increase of over 50% in the number of families seeking help, and the number of boxes of food handed out.



How can you help?

1. **Donate food.** Each month, we collect two food items from our members, as noted in the bulletin. All you need to do is purchase the items when you do your grocery shopping, and drop them off in the donation center in the lobby near the church office.
2. **Help distribute food.** Saturday, November 17, will be ORUMC's time to distribute food in 2018. Watch the bulletin and Ridgerunner for details in October and November.
3. **Donate funds.** We are celebrating our participation in GSM in February as our Mission of the Month. Please give to help us with purchasing additional food items, and providing emergency financial assistance.
4. **Help pack boxes of food.** Each month, on Monday evening prior to the fourth Saturday of each month, help is needed from 7:00 - 8:00pm to pack, and prepare the pantry space for that month's distribution. Space is limited, so call Spencer at 336-643-6993 to sign up.
5. **Donate clothes.** GSM also operates a Clothes Closet at the same location. Drop-off gently used clothes on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 10:00 - 11:00am, or the 4th Saturday from 9:00 - 10:30am, or by appointment.

The pantry and clothes closet are located in the Stokesdale Business Center, 8500 Ellisboro Road, Stokesdale NC. The entrance to use is on the back of the building, next to the loading dock.

Thank you all for your generous support and participation in this vital local mission!

Spencer and Linda Sullivan, 336-643-6993

GSM Ministry Leaders



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