

Spotlight.



Get In The Mix!

Get in the Adventureland mix this fall! Make friends, have fun, and help kids experience a life-changing friendship with Jesus. There are serving opportunities for everyone no

matter your interests or gifts. We need creative people, administrative people, tech people, kid people, and more. Visit the blackboard for more info and find your perfect fit. You can also contact Laura Kaminski (248.912.0043 x325 or adventureland@oakpointe.org).



Support LHI Run For Hope

Our own Andrew Schmid will raise money for Living Hope International (LHI) by running while juggling in the Detroit Free Press Marathon this October. Support Andrew and the rest of our runners at

livinghopeinternational.org/run.



Student Ministry Recruit

The ROCK, 707, and Sozo are looking for volunteers to join their team and shepherd middle school students, high school students, and young

adults. Contact Chelsie (chelsie@oakpointe.org or 248.912.0043 x367) to learn more.

Events & More.

Support & Counseling

Emotional struggles and hurts don't take seasons off. Summer can be a difficult time for many, and we don't want you to go it alone. We have multiple ways that you can get help.

- Find a ReNew support group at oakpointe.org/renew.
- Discover our Transforming Prayer ministry at oakpointe.org/care/transforming-prayer.
- Get a referral to our network of counselors. Email help@oakpointe.org.

Bring LHI Coffee Home

Now you can enjoy Zambia coffee at home! We're selling 12oz bags of Living Hope International (LHI) coffee in medium and dark roast. Cost: \$15/bag. The money collected will support the LHI orphanage in Zambia. See the Welcome Center or connect with Daryl Rice.

Wreck League

Monday evenings

Join other single adults in their 20s and 30s for some fun and recreation each week. Questions? Call Dan Fisher (517.914.4333).

Kids & Students.

Adventureland (birth-5th grade)

Parents, need a CUE?

The Parent Cue app puts the lessons your child is learning in the palm of your hand! Parent Cue provides simple CUES that will help you impact your child in little ways throughout the week. The app is available now for iPhone, iPad and Android. Have questions? Email Sara (sara@oakpointe.org).

the ROCK (6th-8th grade)

Thursday Nights

The ROCK is our group for middle school students, and it meets every Thursday night at 7pm in the Student Center. They've got teaching, live music, a snack shop, games, small groups and more! Check it out on Thursday nights! Email Alanna (alanna@oakpointe.org) with any questions or visit thisisterock.com. **ROCK will not meet on August 24.**

Sunday Mornings—Starts again in September!

9:15 a.m. in the Student Center (except on the first Sunday of the month)

Our Sunday class is a great way for 6th, 7th & 8th graders to learn and make new friends at the same time! Class meets the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Sundays of every month at 9:15am in the Student Center. It's super fun and students will love it! We encourage students to attend the worship service on the first Sunday of the month. Contact Alanna (alanna@oakpointe.org) for more info.

707 (9th-12th grade)

Wednesday Nights

Our high school group meets every Wednesday at 7pm in the Student Center. With rockin' music, great teaching, and crazy games, it's a great place to meet up with your friends, and make new ones too! Contact Chelsie (chelsie@oakpointe.org) for more info or visit thisis707.com.

Adults & Life Groups.

Life Groups at Oak Pointe

Oak Pointe is a church of life groups! They're a priority around here. A life group is a gathering of 3-12 people who come together on a regular basis to encourage one another, grow in Christ, and develop meaningful relationships. Not only do we have "independent" groups meeting all across Metro Detroit, but most of our ministry areas are based in life groups...they're everywhere! We're convinced that they're a *vital* part of a healthy life and relationship with God. Stop by the Grow kiosk or email lifegroups@oakpointe.org with any questions.

Young Couples

Life Groups

If you're engaged or newly married, our young couples' life groups are looking for you. They meet weekly to study the Bible, hang out, and pray together. For more info, email lifegroups@oakpointe.org or stop by the Grow kiosk on any weekend.

SOZO (Young Adults 18-25)

Sozo is our community for men and women who are in school or working locally. They meet on Sunday nights at 7pm for worship and Bible study. Contact Adam (adam@oakpointe.org or 330.472.4380) with questions or for more info on any of our events. You can follow Sozo on social media to get all the latest event info.

Facebook: Sozo: Young Adults at Oak Pointe Church

Instagram: [@thisissozo](https://www.instagram.com/thisissozo)

Beach Party

Sunday, August 20, 6-10pm at Wolverine Lake

Soak up summer with Sozo!

Fall Retreat

September 15-17

The fall retreat is a weekend in beautiful west Michigan where you'll encounter Jesus, experience rest & refreshment, and build lasting community. Cost: \$75 (due September 10).

Crossroads (Singles 40+)

Crossroads is a place where single adults can develop solid relationships and discover a sense of purpose as they grow, serve, and enjoy time with friends. It's a mix of single, divorced, and widowed adults. We'd love to get you connected! Email crossroads@oakpointe.org or call Jane (248.912.0043 x390) for more info.

Old Car Festival

Saturday, September 9, 12-9pm at Greenfield Village

Wander through the historic village and enjoy the Gaslight Parade of Cars with kerosene and early electric lamps, a Dixieland-style parade, and fireworks. We'll meet at Oak Pointe and carpool to the event. Those holding a DSO Salute to America ticket can exchange it for village entrance. Everyone else can purchase tickets at the village. Contact Laura Curtis (rcrageek@gmail.com) for more info.

Living For One Singles Retreat

September 15-17 at Faholo Conference Center in Grass Lake, MI

Save the date for our fall retreat hosted by Dick Bondt. Cost: \$120. For more info, email Bob Buccellato (rbuccell@att.net).

New Fall Study

Starting September 22, 7pm

We're kicking off a brand new study this September on *The Five Love Languages for Singles* by Gary Chapman. Email Mark Moskal (mm.tennis66@gmail.com) to purchase your book.

Serving Opportunity

Saturday, September 30

Crossroads is responsible for greeting and serving coffee & cookies on September 30. Join us as we help Oak Pointe guests feel at home during the evening service! Contact Laura (rcrageek@gmail.com) if you can help.

Women's Retreat

October 6-8 at Camp Barakel in Fairview, MI

Register now for this very special retreat at www.campbarakel.org/events/fall-ladies. Put in "OPC Crossroads-Laura Curtis" in housing preference note. Contact Laura (rcrageek@gmail.com) with questions or if you're interested in carpooling.

Women

Meals For New Moms

You can serve a new mom and her family by bringing them a meal. Contact Candi (candi@oakpointe.org) if you're interested.

Life Groups in the Comfort of a Home or Coffee House

We have ongoing women's life groups meeting in homes and coffee shops throughout the north, south, east, and west communities. There are lots of studies and opportunities to meet women and to develop friendships. Available groups are continually being updated on our website. Check out the list and contact group leaders directly if you're interested. Questions? Email lifegroups@oakpointe.org.

Need Resources? We have them!

Would you like to lead a women's group in your home? We have lots of DVD studies including Beth Moore, Priscilla Shirer and more. Email women@oakpointe.org for more info.

Men

Life Groups

We have about 20 men's groups meeting throughout the area. There are various days & times to choose from. Check out our website to find a group near you. Questions? Email lifegroups@oakpointe.org.

Group for Men in Career Transition

Mondays, 9am at Einstein Bros. Bagels (12 Mile & Orchard Lake in Farmington Hills)

If you're unemployed or in career transition, join us for prayer, study, encouragement and networking. Contact Blaine Dennison (734.353.0764) with questions.

Life Classes.

Authentic spirituality involves going deeper in our emotional health and in our relationships with others. We offer three Life Classes to help you: **Loving Well**, **Living Well**, and **Listening Well**. Each class teaches you to look beneath the surface and explore things that might be blocking you from creating and maintaining healthy relationships with God, yourself and others. Life Classes prioritize interaction with others so our church body and our life groups can go deeper, care well for one another, and relate to each other like Jesus did. Take them in any order you'd like, but be sure to take all three! Jen (jen@oakpointe.org) would love to connect with you and answer any questions. You can register for a Life Class at oakpointe.org under the Connect tab.

Loving Well: The Heart and Soul of a Real Relationship

Coming fall 2017

Loving Well is a class that explores our relationship with God and others. It's not a typical relationship class--it's a 10-week journey to discover who God really is, who we are in Him, and His design for marriage/relationships. You'll look at your own life story and how it impacts your relational health. You'll also learn what Biblical masculinity & femininity are, and what obstacles are blocking intimacy in your relationships. Cost: \$30/person for books.

Living Well: Emotionally Healthy Spirituality

Coming fall 2017

The Christian faith is supposed to produce deep, positive change in a person's life, so why doesn't it always work that way? There's a critical link between our spiritual health and our emotional health. If it remains undiscovered (and unhealthy), the result will affect our spirituality and how we love others. Living Well will help you know and love yourself, the Lord, and others better. Cost: \$25/person for books.

Listening Well: Meaningful Conversations

Coming fall 2017

Learn how to listen to others with deeper understanding and compassion, and have conversations that matter! This class will help you improve your personal and professional relationships. Cost: \$35.

Living Well 2

Coming winter 2017

This study takes the concepts from Living Well and helps you practically apply them. You'll get to practice, reinforce and implement these skills in your life. You must complete Living Well before taking this class. Cost: \$20. Eight weeks.

Prayer.

We believe that prayer is vital to our ministry and our lives. We want to talk to God and seek His direction as we move ahead with everything we do. That's why we've made prayer one of our core values & priorities. We have many opportunities for you to be part of our prayer movement, so check out the list below and email Beth Swis (beth@oakpointe.org) if you have any questions.

Monday Night Prayer

Every Monday, 7-8:30pm in Rm. 146 (Prayer Room)

Please join us as we come together for worship and prayer for the needs of our church and community. You'll find us in the Prayer Room or outside (weather permitting) near the east doors.

Monthly Prayer Meeting

First Wednesday of each month, 6-7am in Rm. 146 (Prayer Room)

Start your day in prayer on the first Wednesday of every month. Meet some new people and find community as you pray together for the needs of the church and community. Questions? Email Rod Rhoad (rod@oakpointe.org).

Outreach Prayer

If you'd like to be part of a team that prays specifically for Oak Pointe outreach events, sign up on our website or email Beth (beth@oakpointe.org). You'll then receive emails with info on upcoming events, and details on what to pray for. What an invaluable team! We hope you'll consider being a part of it!

In-Service Prayer

Did you know that there's a team of people who pray during each of our weekend services? They pray for the teaching pastor, the people listening to the message, the kids, students, and everything else that's going on during the service. If you'd like to join them in prayer, feel free to show up to the Prayer Room on any Saturday or Sunday before the service. Individuals & families are welcome. If your life group is interested, please sign up with Beth before you attend.

Personal Prayer (after each service)

You'll notice some of our pastors and elders and their wives standing at the front of the Worship Center (near the stage) after each service. They're waiting to talk or pray with you. Feel free to meet with them if you want prayer, have questions, or just need to talk.

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request, you can submit it online at oakpointe.org, stop into the Prayer Room on Saturdays or Sundays during any service, or fill out a prayer card. Prayer cards are available in the Prayer Room and at the Welcome Center. You can also feel free to call the church office during the week at 248.912.0043.

Serving & Job Opportunities.

Adventureland Large Group Programmer (Part-Time Paid Position)

Are you creative and a little administrative? Adventureland is looking for a fun, energetic person to work 15 hours each week. If you enjoy being in front of groups, leading kids' worship songs (great voice not required), working with kids and volunteers, and building teams, this could be the right place for you! Graphic design and PowerPoint experience is a plus. Contact Val (val@oakpointe.org or 248.912.0043 x326) to apply.

Milford Campus Student Ministries Administrative Assistant (Full-Time Paid Position)

Oak Pointe Milford is looking for an administrative assistant to work in The ROCK and 707. This job includes team planning and vision processing, helping to run and set up Wednesday and Thursday night programs, event planning, discipling volunteer staff and students, and general administrative work. For a full job description visit oakpointe.org/jobs. To apply, send your resume to Perry Dunlap (perry@opcmilford.org).

Cody Partnership Interns (Paid Positions)

The Cody Partnership is looking for interns for the fall. Email cody@oakpointe.org for a job description. Please include your resume with the email.

Message Ministry

Our Message Ministry makes CDs of Pastor Bob's messages so people can share them with friends & family. The team is in need of more help on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of the month. No experience necessary! Contact Dawn (dawn@oakpointe.org or 248.912.0043 x389) if you can help.

Coffee Team

Oak Pointe LOVES coffee! In fact, we have such a demand for coffee that we need to add some people to our coffee team. We're looking for help during either the 9:15 or 11:15 service. If you're available contact Dawn (dawn@oakpointe.org or 248.912.0043 x389).

Driving Cody Students

God continues to open the doors for us in our ministry at Cody. Each week we're bringing about ten ladies to Oak Pointe for our 707 high school program. We're looking for volunteers to help take these students home on Wednesday nights. It takes about two hours to get everyone safely home. If you leave church at 9:15pm, you can be back around 11:15pm. This is a great serving opportunity for a 707 parent to do with his or her student. If you're willing to drive once or twice a month, please contact Kurt Alber (kurta@oakpointe.org or 248.912.0043 x320).

Serve Kids In Our Community (Van Ministry)

Would you be willing to make a difference in a kid's life? We use the church vans to pick up students in Novi & South Lyon so they can attend Adventureland on Sundays and the ROCK on Thursday evenings. We're looking for volunteers to drive the vans on Sundays & Thursdays twice a month. Male and female volunteers needed. If you can help please contact Shelly (shelly@oakpointe.org or 248.912.0043 x324).

Coming Up.

AUGUST	
18-22	ROCK Summer Camp
20	Sozo Beach Party
24	No ROCK
SEPTEMBER	
4	Labor Day (office closed)
9	Crossroads Old Car Festival
11	ReNew Support & Recovery groups begin Leadership Essentials
12	Leadership Prayer
15-17	Crossroads <i>Living For One</i> Retreat Sozo Fall Retreat

Ministry Partnership Opportunities.

Weekly Opportunities

Prison Ministry

Our prison ministry reaches out to a forgotten society with the love and compassion of Jesus. The women's prison ministry has been instrumental in leading many young female inmates to Christ at the Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility. Email Artice Ann (articeann@gmail.com or 248.437.6305). Our men's prison ministry visits male inmates on a weekly or biweekly basis. Email Brian (mensprisonministry@oakpointe.org).