

THE LATEST



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Spotlight.



Pray For Our Zambia Teams

Our Zambia teams left this past Friday and will be gone through July 2. Please pray for them while they're away.

The teams still need over \$15,000 to be fully funded for their trip. If you'd like to help visit oakpointe.churchcenteronline.com/giving and select the fund: Missions-Adult Zambia.



Prayer For Our New Pastors

Our pastors really need constant prayer as they minister to our church and the community. It's a tough job! We've added some new pastors to our team, and we're looking for people who will

commit to pray for them on a regular basis. See the Spotlight kiosk this weekend to sign up.



SpringHill Day Camp Volunteers

July 17-21 and July 24-28

We need some volunteers to help make summer camp great this July. Get more info on any of the following by emailing anna@oakpointe.org, or stop by

the SpringHill kiosk.

1. House college-age camp counselors during a week of camp. We prefer to place two or more students at each home.

2. Host a gathering for the counselors. We'll use your big backyard for worship, dinner, and fun. Gatherings run from 6-9:30pm. Choose from July 18, 20, 25 or 27.

3. Register kids on their first day of camp. Greet campers and their parents with a smile on Monday mornings.

Other ways to volunteer

- Medical Volunteer (medical training required)
- Staff Meal Prep (prepare lunches for SpringHill staff)
- Give a Kid a Ride to Camp (drive the church van or your own car)
- Activities Helper (assist staff at specific stations)
- Ark Park Classroom Reset (reset classrooms on Fridays)



Women's Gatherings

Meet other women through our summer gatherings! Each gathering is centered around a meal or an activity and is a one-time event. Visit

oakpointe.org/gathering.

Contact Candi (248.912.0043 or candi@oakpointe.org) with questions. Check back often as new gatherings are added throughout the summer.



Summer Lunch Program

This summer, the Oak Pointe North Community is teaming up with Oakland County Meals on Wheels to bring healthy lunches to qualifying children in the Novi Meadows and Old Dutch Farms mobile home parks right by our church on Napier Road between 10 and 11 Mile. The program runs June 19- August 31. We're looking for volunteers to serve lunches from 11:30am to 1pm Monday-Friday. This is a great opportunity for life groups and/or families to engage our local community this summer. Sign up at oakpointe.org/serve/in-the-community. Select "Summer Lunch Program" and click the sign-up link. For questions, please contact Dave Hughes (248.894.2879 or daveh@oakpointe.org).

Events & More.

Rock the Block

Saturday, July 29

Save the date for our community block party! Join us for a car show, food trucks, live music, and more. More info to come.

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 Karen (karenp@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 thisistherock.com.

Sunday Mornings

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. Email Adam (adam@oakpointe.org) with questions. 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)

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) for more info.

New study: *The Sacred Search*

Join us on the first and third Fridays of the month for our new study *The Sacred Search* by Gary Thomas. What if dating isn't about finding "the one", but it's about making a wise choice so you can better serve the One who loves you most? What if God didn't design relationships to make you happy, but to make you holy?

Tigers Outing

Crossroads is looking for a couple of volunteers to help coordinate a Tigers game outing. Email crossroads@oakpointe.org if you can help.

Upcoming Events

Friday, July 7, 7pm, *The Sacred Search*

Friday, Aug 4, 7pm, *The Sacred Search*

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.

MOPS Monthly Meetings

2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:15-9:15pm

If you have little ones at home (birth-kindergarten) our MOPS group would love to get to know you! We build real relationships and share life together. Register online or email mops@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: \$30/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: \$5 for binder; \$35 for books (optional).

Living Well 2

Coming fall 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: \$12. 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.

Tech Team

The tech team at Oak Pointe is the crew that runs cameras, computers, lights, and sound during weekend services. We're looking for new team members and would love to talk with you. We have lots of fun, techie equipment for you to play with. No experience necessary—we'll train you! Contact Anthony (anthony@oakpointe.org or 248.912.0043) for more info.

Summer Job Opportunity (Paid Position)

Are you looking for a meaningful summer job? We're looking for a few people to work at Cody High School this summer. You'll work with students who are part of the Growing Detroit's Young Talent summer jobs program. Responsibilities include getting to know students, planning work projects, and encouraging the students throughout the day. Contact Kurt Alber (248.672.7333) for more info. To apply, submit your resume to Ed Ramold (ed@oakpointe.org).

Facilities Staff Openings (Paid Positions)

We have paid part-time positions available in the facilities department. Responsibilities include setting up rooms, cleaning carpets, and general cleaning. For more info contact Ed (248.912.0043 or ed@oakpointe.org).

Student Ministries Administrative Assistant (Milford Campus; Paid Position)

Oak Pointe Milford is looking for an administrative assistant to work in The ROCK and 707. This full-time 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).

Grow Cody Rouge

July 24-28 in Detroit

Oak Pointe is excited to partner with GM, Quicken, DTE, and the Cody Rouge community for a week-long service project in the Cody Rouge neighborhood. You can help with school clean up and beautification, food, hospitality, security, or medical care. It's a great thing to do with your family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers. Sign up online at oakpointe.org.

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).

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) 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).

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).

Coming Up.

JUNE	
25-July 1	707 Detroit Trip
JULY	
17-21	SpringHill Week 1
24-28	SpringHill Week 2
	Grow Cody Rouge Week
29	Rock the Block
30	Detroit 67 Prayer Gathering

Ministry Partnership Opportunities.

Camille Aragonés Album Release Party

Friday, June 23, 6:30pm in the Student Center

Oak Pointe worship leader Camille Aragonés and her band will perform to promote the release of her new album. The event will benefit Better Way Imports. Enjoy door prizes, raffle drawings, and a CD signing. Coffee and snacks will be served.

Weekly Opportunities

Central Detroit Christian (CDC)

Central Detroit Christian (CDC) has lots of opportunities to get involved. For more info, please contact Gail (gail@oakpointe.org).

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).