

Our Purpose

As a dynamic church proclaiming the Word of God, we seek to make disciples of Christ by:

- † Attracting and leading people to Jesus
- † Developing a climate of Worship & Spiritual Growth
- † Encouraging Christians to make a full surrender to God
- † Equipping believers to serve

Our Celebration Style

We celebrate God on Sunday mornings through music, prayer, Scripture readings, and messages based on the Word of God.

The 8:15 a.m. Early service features our choir, grand piano, and singers leading the congregation in classic hymns and praise songs.

The 10:45 a.m. Contemporary service tends to be a bit more “rocky,” with a full praise band (including drums, electric bass, and electric guitar) and singers leading praise choruses, Christian pop, and other contemporary musical styles.

You are welcome to “come as you are.”

Our dress code is relaxed.

Each service includes the collection of an offering. This is a time when we worship through financial gifts; visitors and guests are encouraged to support their home church through their tithes; those without a home church are not expected to participate.

Our Staff

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Our Schedule

Sunday Worship

8:15 a.m. Early Service

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Contemporary

6:00 p.m. Believers' Service

You are invited to join us each Sunday Morning. Classes are offered for children, teens, and adults, with child-care provided for children six weeks and older.

You are also invited to our Wednesday Evening Electives, featuring Bible studies, Choir rehearsals, small groups, service teams, and other activities.



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Welcome ...

The door is always open at Oakland Church of the Nazarene. Meeting your needs—whether spiritual, physical, or emotional—is our highest priority.

Our Worship services feature lively, upbeat music and messages based on the Word of God that relate to the struggles you face every day, whether you're raising children, going to school or work, or enjoying your retirement.

You'll find plenty to do outside of our Sunday morning services, too. Small-group studies, prayer-emphasis special services, and Sunday School classes for all ages and interests will help you connect with new friends.

Our Wednesday Night Electives include Bible studies, a men's group, teen groups, and fun, Bible-based activities for children from age four through fourth grade. Infant and toddler care is available from 6:30—7:30 p.m.

Take a look around, and get to know us. And if you have questions about any of our programs or activities, please feel free to call any of the staff members listed on the back of this brochure.

For Children

Jesus said, "Let the children come to me." We value children here at Oakland Church of the Nazarene, and seek to introduce children to Jesus and nurture them in a safe, child-centered environment.

Our Sunday School classes are interesting and fun for the kids, with music, puppets, games, computers, and object lessons—all focused on getting the children interested

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in God's Word and learning how to use its wisdom to help them through their days.

Children of all ages are introduced to Worship services, with great music, relevant lessons, and creative teaching.

Preschool and elementary-aged children may also participate in outreach and service projects held Wednesday nights during the school year.

Pre-teens in 5th and 6th grades learn and minister through our active puppet ministry.

For Youth

Our Youth Ministries exist to reach non-believing students, to connect them with other Christians, to help them grow in their faith, and to challenge them to discover their ministries and honor God with their lives.

Youth-led worship services, dramas, and other special events connect the youth with the larger church body. Every activity is designed and planned with the students in mind—their culture, their interests, their needs—with the goal of helping them see how Jesus can be relevant to their daily lives.

For Adults

With six adult Sunday School classes, mid-week Bible Study groups, Wednesday Night Electives, and special activities, there's something for everyone at Oakland Nazarene.

Our Christianity 101 class is ideal for new Christians—or folks who aren't sure if Christianity is right for them. Other classes dig into specific books of the Bible, examine life issues, and pray for each other.

On Wednesday nights, you can practice with the

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choir, join a Bible study, help with children's, pre-teen's, or youth programs, or join a service crew or visitation team. Other small groups are available, and if you don't see what you need, ask!

What We Believe

As Nazarenes, we believe:

- † ... in one God - the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- † ... that the Bible, including the Old and New Testaments, is true and was inspired by God.
- † ... that people suffer and die because of sin, and that we cannot avoid sin without God's help.
- † ... that those who die rejecting God are eternally lost.
- † ... that the atonement through Jesus Christ is for the whole human race; and that anyone who confesses their sin and surrenders to the Lord Jesus Christ is born again and saved from sin.
- † ... that holiness—perfection of intent, if not performance—is possible through faith in Jesus Christ, by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- † ... that lives change when they are surrendered to Jesus Christ.
- † ... that our Lord will return, the dead will be raised, and the final judgment will take place.

Changed Hearts ...

Changing Lives