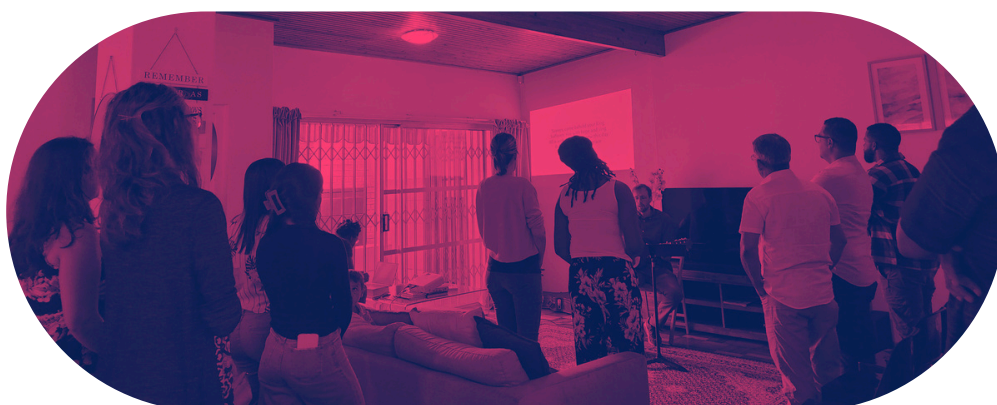




Thank you for joining us for worship today! We would especially like to welcome you if you are visiting for the first time.

We realise that some of the elements of our worship may be unfamiliar to you. We have included a few notes in this guide to offer some explanations of the service to help you participate.

The Bible teaches that we must “offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe” (Heb.12:28). The following are proper elements of worship service: reading of Holy Scripture, singing of psalms and hymns, the offering of prayer, the preaching of the Word, the presentation of offerings, confessing the faith and observing the Sacraments; and on special occasions taking oaths.



elements of worship

Scripture Reference

call to worship & song

Call to worship: Psalm 95: 1-2, Hebrews 12: 28
Song: Ephesians 5: 19, Colossians 3: 16

scripture reading & prayer

Reading of Scripture: 1 Timothy 4:13
Prayer: Acts 2: 42, 1 Timothy 2: 1

preaching & the sacraments

Preaching: Acts 2: 42, 1 Timothy 4: 13; 2 Timothy 4: 1-2
Sacraments: Matthew 28: 19, 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

confession of faith and sin

Confession: Hebrews 10: 23, Jude 3
James 5:16, Nehemiah 9: 1-3

giving of offerings & benediction

Giving: 1 Corinthians 16: 1-2, 2 Corinthians 8: 1-7
Benediction: Numbers 6: 24-27, 2 Corinthians 13:14



1 **call to worship & song**

In the Bible, the 'Call to Worship' comes from God. We need to be called because it is not our natural inclination to move toward God in worship. However, God himself takes the initiative. He moves towards us in grace to bring us to Himself by His Son, through the gospel call.

Christians sing together as a way of experiencing and responding to the truths they profess about God.

2 **scripture reading and prayer**

The Word of God is the primary means by which God speaks to us. It is the ultimate authority for what we believe and how we live. Prayers are offered to honor and praise God for His greatness, holiness, and love. Through prayer, we express our gratitude and seek guidance and encouragement from God.

3 **preaching of the word**

The sermon is a means of challenging, comforting, and strengthening God's people. It awakens new faith as God's Word is preached and explained. It is the gospel message, centered on Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection, that the entire Word of God revolves. No sermon is complete without it.

4 the sacraments

The sacraments of baptism and communion are holy signs and seals of the gospel promise and means of God's grace. The sacraments are "instituted by God, to represent Christ, and his benefits; and to confirm our interest in him: as also, to put a visible difference between those that belong unto the church, and the rest of the world" (WMC, Chapter 7.1).

5 confession of the faith and sin

Aware of God's holiness and our sinfulness, the Prayer of Confession invites us to honestly confess our sins. It both acknowledges our need for grace whilst celebrating its abundant provision in Christ. From time to time, we join Christians around the world and throughout time by professing our faith using the words of the ancient creeds and confessions.

6 giving of offerings

The Giving of offerings in worship is an act of worship, not just a practical necessity. It is a response to God's grace in the gospel and to Christ. It recognizes God's ownership over all his creation and the church in particular.

7 benediction

We begin our worship with God's gracious invitation, and we conclude with God's blessing





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about us

We are a new church in Stellenbosch with a mission: to make, mature, and multiply disciples of Christ. We aspire to be a people whose primary identity is found in Jesus Christ and whose chief desire is to glorify and enjoy God in all areas of life.

our vision

Stellenbosch is a diverse and growing community. We dream of being a church that reflects the heart of this town by welcoming people of all ages, backgrounds, and cultures. We are a church community where families and individuals of all generations can connect and grow together. We offer a safe and welcoming environment where skeptics and seekers can ask questions and explore the claims of Christianity. We pray that we will be a place where everyone finds belonging and a deep relationship with God and one another, in and through Christ.

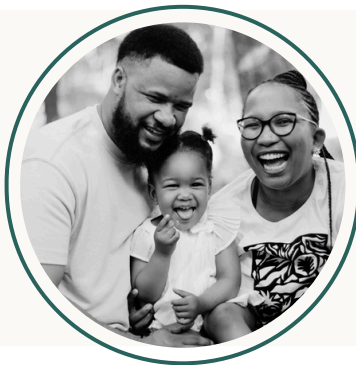
our beliefs

At Oak Valley we unequivocally hold that the supreme authority in all matters of faith and life are the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments which we believe are the inspired and inerrant Word of God. We are committed to the system of doctrine contained in the Westminster Standards, believing them to be an accurate restatement of the theology of the Bible. You can read more about the Westminster Standards [here](#).

our values

Alongside our doctrinal commitments, we hold to a set of values that are rooted in a Reformed theological ethos. Our values are: Proclaiming His gospel, Sharing our lives, and Living Hopefully & Redemptively. We desire to glorify God through the faithful proclamation of the gospel, the embodiment of authentic Christian community, and the advancement of God's redemptive and hope-filled purposes in the world.

our team



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David Cloete is married to Ongeziwe, and God has blessed them with a beautiful daughter, Alayna.



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