

Sunday Headlines

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Welcome to LifeJourney!

Married, divorced, and single here,
It's one family that mingles here.

Conservative and liberal here,
We've all gotta give a little here.

Big and small here,
There's room for us all here.

Doubt and believe here,
We all can receive here.

Gay, trans, and straight here,
There's no hate here.

Woman and man here,
Everyone can here.

Each and every gender here,
In all our splendor here.

Whatever your race here,
For all of us, grace here.

Christ above us,
Christ beside us,
Christ within us.

Amen.

Mission Guatemala Applications

Submit to Richard Hancock or place in drop box by
Pastor Vivian's office by February 23. Questions?
Contact: RichardHancockRichard@gmail.com

Thank You Scott, Welcome Caleb!



After more than 5 years of service to LJC, Scott Middleton left his role as drummer a few weeks ago, so he can increase his involvement with various traveling bands. This new opportunity came along so quickly for Scott, we didn't have time to give him a proper send off. We're grateful for his years of service to our congregation.

We are pleased to welcome Caleb Hudson as our new drummer. He brings a range of experience to our team and deeply appreciates the diversity of our congregation. Please give Caleb a warm LifeJourney welcome!

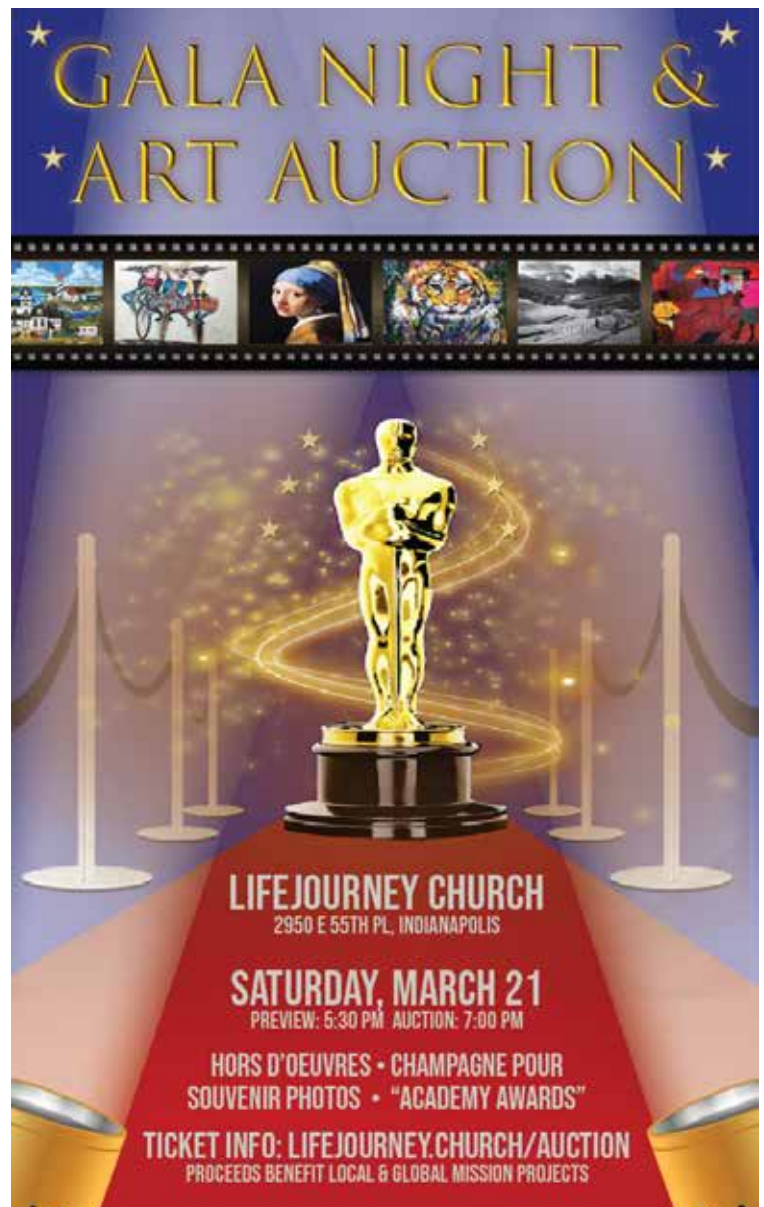


HELLO... I AM

Are you new to LifeJourney today or within the past six months? If so, you're invited to a casual reception in your honor (snacks included), **Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 7:00 pm.**

We'll get acquainted and answer questions you may have, like, *"Is this church the right place for me? How do I fit in and make friends? What resources are available?"*

RSVP through the response form on the back page. Questions may be directed to: PastorJeff@LifeJourney.church or call the church office at (317) 722-0000 x103.



Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:

Jesus, Light of the World

Key Verse:

“Satan has desired to have you all to sift you like wheat.” Luke 22:31.

Order of Service

Welcome

Affirmation Poem

Praise & Worship: *Lord Prepare Me
Waymaker*

Offering Selection: *Mighty to Save*

Offering Blessing

Song of Preparation: *Don't Hold It Back*

Prayer

Scripture: *Luke 22:28-34*

Sermon: *Nefarious Otherworldly Forces*
Rev. Jeff Miner

Communion (9:30 Service in Room 9, 11:00 Service in Sanctuary)

Congregational Hymn: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, sometimes the pressure is so great, I feel like I’m being shredded in a million pieces and there is no hope. Before those times ever come, help me to fortify myself in the Spirit, wrapping myself in spiritual armor, so I’m am ready for the battle and able to stand, just like Jesus, just like Simon Peter. Amen.

Consecration of the Elements

Proclamation of our Faith: Christ has died, Christ has risen, Christ is here now, and Christ will come again. Alleluia!

Distribution of the Elements

If this is your first time with us: You are welcome to receive Holy Communion (or simply observe). You can take Communion alone, or with friends or family. Ushers will release rows and direct you to a server. The server will offer you the wafer dipped in juice with a prayer. After receiving the elements, return to your seat by the side aisle. If you would like to receive Communion but are unable to come forward, please notify an usher.

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Sermon Notes:

Webcast Reminder: The morning services are recorded for our webcast; crowd shots are included. To improve the quality of those shots, we'd like to fill the center section of seating.

If you prefer not to be on camera, just sit in the back half of the left section.



Decision Form:

If you feel moved to respond in a tangible way.

- ☐ I am making a decision to become a follower of Jesus, or I want to rededicate myself to that decision.
- ☐ I have questions about spiritual things and would like to talk to someone.
- ☐ Other: _____

One of our pastoral staff would be happy to make an appointment to talk with you about your spiritual life and what steps might come next – but only if you wish.

- ☐ I would like to schedule a time to talk.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Place this form in the basket at the Welcome Center.

Oasis Meeting Times...

- Oasis groups are small groups that meet regularly for friendship, support, study, and prayer. This is a great way to make connections!
- Groups are open to everyone and meet evenings at 7:00 pm in various locations. (Exceptions will be noted.)
- No registration is required. If you're planning to visit an Oasis for the first time, you may confirm meeting details by calling the church office.
- If a group or location is ~~crossed out~~ please look for the revised information under "exceptions" in "The Week Ahead" section below.

MON: Book Club Oasis (First Monday of the Month), Room 8.
Pendleton Oasis, 9479 W Campfire Dr., Pendleton

TUE: Journey through the Bible Oasis, Room 6.
Mornings with God Oasis, Cafe at 10:00 am.
Westside Oasis, 4465 Clover Dr., Indianapolis.

WED: F·R·I·E·N·D·S Oasis (age 20-30 something), Room 7.

THU: Downtown Oasis, 225 E North St. #2500, Indianapolis.
Southside Oasis, 3905 Shelbyville Road, Indianapolis at 6:30.
Thursday Evening Oasis, Room 6



Oasis Location Map

The Week Ahead...

Today

9:30 AM Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary
9:30 AM LJC Kids! (PreK-5th grade), Main St. Station (Rm 1-4)
11:00 AM Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary
11:00 AM LJC Kids! (PreK-5th grade), Main St. Station (Rm 1-4)
11:30 AM Teen Life (6-8th grade), The Loft (Rm 10)
Youth are released from the Sanctuary before the sermons.
1:00 PM Discipleship 101/102, Room 7

Monday

7:30 PM AA Meeting, Room 6

Tuesday

6:30 PM Jesus & Me, Room 5
7:00 PM Board of Directors (Open Meeting), Room 7

Wednesday

7:00 PM Sacred Path of Transformation, Room 6

Thursday

6:30 PM Dinner Church, 1820 Orange Street, Fountain Square

Friday

7:00 PM Women's AA Meeting, Room 6
8:00 PM Gay Men's AA Meeting, Room 7

Saturday

8:00 AM Homeless Ministry, serves Dayspring Center

Coming Soon...

Feb 29 Sisterhood Group Pitch In Dinner, Cafe

See the full events calendar from LifeJourney!

View this month at: LifeJourney.church/events

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Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	118
11:00 am Service Attendance	158
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	100
General Offering: Last Week	\$5,661
Weekly Average: YTD Weekly Average	\$8,779
Budget Goal: Weekly	\$9,119

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Minister of Worship Arts

Chris Edwards
Minister of Family Life

Nominating Committee Report

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will occur on Sunday, February 23, at 12:45 pm in the Sanctuary. Congregational Meeting packets will be available next Sunday. At the meeting, we will vote on a proposed budget, on updates to our Articles and Bylaws to reflect changes in Indiana law, and to elect four members to the Board of Directors. After canvassing for interest and moving through a discernment process, the Nominating Committee has completed its work and is excited to nominate three current Board members for an additional term: Genese Parker, Robert Ferguson, and Graham Melendez. The fourth position is vacant and is slated to become our next Board Treasurer. The Nominating Committee has nominated John McDaniels for that role. John has a degree in accounting and has worked in accounting for years.

The Nominating Committee consisted of Louann Daniels, Andrea Platt, Tim Paschal, and Pastor Jeff. Under our Bylaws, members are also allowed to self-nominate outside the Nominating Committee process. If you would like to self-nominate, please request a nomination packet at Board@LifeJourney.church no later than today.

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday at 7:00 PM in Room 7.
All are welcome to attend.

2019 Giving Statements for Taxes

Year-end giving statements have been distributed by email to all givers for whom we have an email address and by regular mail to all other givers. If you have not yet received your giving statement, visit <http://LifeJourney.church> and click the red button to have your statement resent. Alternatively, you may email your request to Board@LifeJourney.church.



Are you looking for a daily meditation to sustain your soul during the week? Join our Facebook Group, **LifeJourney Church Daily Meditations**. Study and discuss a variety of devotions from guests and also our very own Be Still authors.

Yes! I'd like to respond to these articles:

- ☐ Newcomers Welcome Reception
- ☐ Hospitality Kitchen Help

Name _____

Mobile/Text _____

Email _____

Return this form in the offering or in the jar at the Welcome Center.

New Hospitality Leader

LifeJourney's Hospitality team welcomes Jill Edwards as a new leader within the ministry. Jill has a background in health and wellness and currently works with the Marion County Health Department. Jill is experienced in community kitchen operations and brings strong leadership skills in both volunteer and corporate environments.

Paula White remains a part of the leadership team, assisting in leadership as her health permits. Paula is currently awaiting a kidney transplant; please continue praying that a donor will be found soon.



Update: Paula received a donor kidney on Friday. Praise!

Four Helpers Needed in the Kitchen

The Hospitality Ministry needs 4 more helpers to round out their service teams. Each team consists of 2 - 3 people serving one Sunday per month, during either 1st or 2nd service. (Currently, help is needed during the 2nd service slots.)

Tasks include slicing fruits and veggies, brewing coffee, maintaining an orderly kitchen, and most importantly being a hospitable host during our time of fellowship on Sundays.

If you'd like to make some friendly connections while lending a helping hand in the kitchen, complete the response form and Jill Edwards will be in contact with you this week.

Changing Africa

Back in 2002, our church published a book on homosexuality and the Bible called *The Children Are Free*. Since then, it has been translated into 7 languages, changing countless hearts and minds across the globe. A couple months ago, an organization called Crossing Lines Africa asked if we could help them fund a translation of our book into Swahili. The repression of LGBTQ people in East Africa is horrific. Crossing Lines Africa will use the book as a primary educational tool in its work with pastors, educators, and government officials.



In October, our church provided \$3,000 to fund the Swahili translation. That translation is now complete and will soon be used at a large conference of thought leaders in Uganda. Meanwhile, here are photos of the leader of Crossing Lines Africa doing a small-group training on our book for pastors in a refugee camp in Kenya where several LGBTQ people have recently been killed. Your generous giving is helping save lives and change the world. Thank you!

