

# Sunday Headlines

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February 17, 2019



## Striking a Blow Against Poverty, Discrimination & Homelessness!

Jesus said, **"Whatever you do to the least of these, you do it unto me."** Matthew 25:40.

(In other words, when we care for the poor, it's as if we're caring directly for Jesus himself.)

Below are two wonderful opportunities to do that . . .

If either call to you, fill out the response form on the back of today's bulletin.

### WonderWorkers Paint Day

Our WonderWorkers Ministry Team is going to give a face-lift to the Dayspring Center for the Homeless. We're going to paint all 14 of their apartments for homeless families, rehab their medical room, and resurface the stairs at the entry to the family apartments. Our church will provide all the volunteer laborers and invest \$3,000+ for materials. Your generous giving makes that possible!

Our work will be divided into three phases. Phase 1 is Paint Day! We're going to paint all the apartments in one day on **Saturday, March 2, from 9 am - 3 pm**. To make this happen, we need 15 joyful volunteers who are comfortable with a paint brush or roller. Can you be one of the 15? If so, fill out the response form on the back of today's bulletin and we'll be in touch with more info.

### Blessing the Children

At any given time, Dayspring Homeless Center has about 50 residents, including 25 - 30 children. Imagine what it's like to be a child in a homeless family—lots of stress, lots of change, and not many opportunities just to have fun.

LifeJourney already has an incredible team of volunteers who supply, make, and serve breakfast on Saturday mornings to all Dayspring residents. As we've dialogued with the staff of Dayspring about how we can expand our support, they've suggested we sponsor a **bimonthly Friday evening movie night for the kids and their parents**. Our volunteers will provide a children's movie and snacks, coordinate the event, and be available to connect with the parents and kids.

To birth this new ministry, we need to raise up a team of at least six volunteers who can devote one Friday evening every other month to making this happen. If this speaks to you, complete the response form on the back of today's bulletin and we'll be in touch with more info.

### LifeJourney's Next Mission's Trip!

**Where:** Appalachian Mountains in Tennessee

**When:** July 14 - 20, 2019

**What:** Home renovations for families in need.

**Who:** Anyone at LifeJourney (adults and youth age 15+) who are comfortable with physical labor.

**Why:** To share the love of Christ with a family in need, to experience the joy of giving, and to build deep relationships with others who are on the trip.

**Rooms:** Rustic cabins in a camp operated by a Methodist ministry called Mountain Top. Great food!

**Cost:** You pay part; the church pays part. Your estimated out-of-pocket expense is \$400.

Want to know more? Stop by the Mission's Information Table following service!

### Brown County Couples Retreat

Picture it...luxury room, delicious catered meals, outdoor courtyards with fire pits, walking trails, minutes from Brown County attractions, and Brown County State Park, you and your love!

We're describing our 2019 Couples Retreat, held at Creek-side Retreat Center—where you'll will have an opportunity to reignite the spark. Our own Dr. Ciemone Easter-Rose will be presenting during the retreat.

So mark your calendar for May 17 - 19. The cost is \$360 per couple. (First installment due on March 17, final payment May 12.) For more information, complete the response form. You may also connect with Pastor Vivian for question and payments.



### Annual Congregational Meeting

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will be next Sunday February 24 at 12:45 pm in the sanctuary. Everyone welcome, but members are especially encouraged to attend. Information packets available today at the Welcome Desk.

# Sunday Worship Service

## Worship Theme:

Experiencing Jesus at a Deeper Level

## Key Verse:

"The crowds asked John, 'What should we do?' In reply he said, 'Whoever has two coats must share with anyone who has none; and whoever has food must do likewise.'" *Luke 3:10.*

## Presenting Today...

### Welcome

**Songs:** *I Will Bless Thee O Lord*  
*Waymaker*

### Affirmation Poem

### Connections

### Offering Invitation

**Song:** *Jesus I'll Never Forget*

### Blessing of Our Offerings

**Song:** *Run to you*

### Prayer

**Scripture:** *Luke 3:1-14*

**Sermon:** *Jesus' Mentor*  
Rev. Jeff Miner

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

**Closing Song:** *All the Way My Savior Leads Me*

### Closing & Benediction

## Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

### Silent Confession

**General Confession:** God, forgive me for times when I have not lived my faith in simple, authentic ways. Help me to reflect the high values that Jesus and John taught. May I share generously, speak honestly, and use power in just, gentle, and kind ways. May I value what Jesus' valued. May his light shine through me. 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. **Gluten free** communion wafers are available, upon request for those with dietary restrictions.

Sermon Notes:

## 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.*

**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 the back half of the left section.*



# 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 and 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, Room 8.  
Pendleton Oasis, 14294 Moonlight Path., Fishers.
- TUE:** Journey through the Bible Oasis, Room 6.  
Mornings with God Oasis, Cafe at 10:00 am.  
Westside Oasis, 4465 Clover Dr., Indianapolis:
- WED:** Family Oasis, Room 6 at 6:30 pm.  
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



## 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)  
11:00 AM Teen Life (6-8th grade), The Loft (Rm 10)  
1:00 PM Family Ministry Team Forum (2nd Option), Room 6  
6:30 PM Teen Life After Hours (9-12th grade), The Loft (Rm 10)

### Monday

- 7:30 PM AA Meeting, Room 6

### Tuesday

### Wednesday

- 6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

### Thursday

- 6:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary  
7:00 PM Discipleship 101/102 (Registration Required), Room 7

### 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

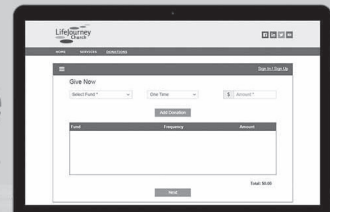
## Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	107
11:00 am Service Attendance	186
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	77
General Offering: Last Week	\$8,812
Weekly Average: Thirteen Week Average	\$10,187
Budget Goal: * Weekly	\$8,897

\* When giving meets our budget goal, we are able to fully fund our ministries. When giving falls short, cuts are made to avoid deficit spending.

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# 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, February 27 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 on the response form below. Questions may be directed to: PastorJeff@LifeJourney.church or call the church office at (317)722-0000 x103.

## We'll Pray for You...

Deacons are available in the sanctuary, after the service, to pray with you.



LifeJourney is full of talent and it's time to put on a display! For one night only, you can be part of this amazing show. Whether you're on stage or an innocent bystander, you must decide! The show begins at 7:00 pm on Saturday, March 16. Reserve your spot on stage by completing the response form.

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

### RSVP and/or More Info:

- ☐ Wonder Workers' Paint Day at Dayspring Center
- ☐ Dayspring Children's Movie Nights
- ☐ Talent Show Info/Reservation
- ☐ Couples Retreat Info
- ☐ Easter Season Services: (circle)  
Dramatic Actor • Choir Singer • Set Builder
- ☐ Prayer Retreat Info

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Easter Drama/Choir Call-Out

The Easter season is a couple months away, but preparations for this year's production have begun!

This year, LifeJourney will feature dramatic/musical presentations during the Good Friday (April 19) and Easter (April 21) services.

So, the Worship Arts Ministry is calling all actors, singers, and set builders!

The first drama call-out, with script readings/auditions, will be on Sunday, March 3 at 1:00 pm, along with other meeting times for the choir and set builders.

If you have a desire to use your gifts to participate as an actor, singer or set builder, then we invite you to indicate your desired roles through the response from below. Thank you and we will contact you providing further information.

## TeenLife *After Hours* New Location!

One of our parents has graciously offered to host our high school youth group. Starting in March we will be meeting at 856 Woodruff Place West Dr., Indianapolis. The gathering time will still be 6:30 - 8 pm. Until March, teens will continue to meet at the church in Room 10.

## 2019 Prayer Retreat

Every other year, LifeJourney offers an extended-weekend prayer retreat. They've been an amazing time to nurture our spirit and connect with others in a deeply meaningful way.

In between years, we're offering a couple shorter retreats much closer to home. And the first one is coming this Spring, with paid reservations due by April 14—mark your calendars!

### Fatima Retreat House

5353 E 56th St, Indianapolis (near LJC)

Friday, May 31 at 9 am (overnight into Saturday AM)

\$72 includes room and three meals on Friday

After a full-day retreat on Friday, time together concludes Saturday morning with a devotional, then breakfast out together (self-pay).

For the majority of time, this will be a silent retreat. Guiding material will be provided for those who choose to use them. Participants are also encouraged to bring items that will be spiritually beneficial to them on a retreat like this (e.g. Bible, journal, music with earphones, coloring book, puzzle, books, walking shoes, etc.). And remember... sleeping is sacred and taking a nap is all part of spending time with God. There are no confines as to how to conduct a retreat such as this! Additionally, there is the possibility of a Spiritual Direction session (may incur an additional charge depending on the number of requests).

Pastor David and participants will convene prior to the retreat to meet one another and prepare for this sacred time. Does this sound like a meaningful way to nurture your spirit? Then, please let Pastor David know you are interested and would like information through the response form to the left.