

# Sunday Headlines

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## HOLY WEEK

APRIL 14-21

**Palm Sunday,** Today at 9:30 am & 11:00 am  
Sunday Worship services today mark the beginning of Holy Week, the last week of Jesus' Life.

**Maundy Thursday,** Thursday at 7:00 pm  
Join us for an actual meal together reenacting the Last Supper in a manner consistent with the authentic Jewish Seder Tradition. Seating is limited; reserve your place by completing the response form.

**Good Friday,** Friday at 7:00 pm  
This year's Good Friday Service will be unlike any before—a dramatic production, wrapped in sacred music. The dramatic portion of the service, a brief play called, "*The Passion: On Trial*," will place Christ's crucifixion and resurrection on trial in a modern-day courtroom setting, with flashbacks to the original events. The trial will conclude in a brief dramatic segment at Easter Sunday worship.

**Easter Egg Hunt,** Saturday from 10 am - 12 pm  
LifeJourney Church Family Life Ministry presents "Amazing Grace" Easter Egg-travaganza, a children and family event.

**Easter Sunday,** Sunday at 9:30 am & 11:00 am  
Sunday Worship Services will be a celebration—amazing music, a brief drama segment, and a powerful, life-giving sermon will mark the high point of Holy Week!



## It's Gone Public—The Hunt is On!

Each year, LifeJourney hosts an Easter-egg hunt for the kids. This year, we're excited to announce this event is bigger and better than ever! It's poised to be a major family-friendly event for the church and general public. You'll likely begin to see advertisements online and in the neighborhood—share the event with your friends!

As with most major events, the planning team could use a few more helping hands. Here's what we need from you:

- **Share** this event on Facebook. (You'll find the event page on our Facebook page. Add your invites.)
- **Partner** with us by providing the supplies needed to make the event possible. There is a supplies list at the main entrance, all supplies are due today.
- **Get involved**, consider volunteering for a shift during the event. A sign up sheet is also near the main entrance.
- **Help decorate** for the event today from 1 - 3 pm.

### Teen Life After Hours

Each Sunday at 6:00 pm, high school youth meet at a home in Woodruff Place with Pastor Chris and others.

(See Oasis Meeting Times on Page 3.)

## Construction Countdown!

LifeJourney is about to build **larger restrooms**, install **new exterior siding**, and **repave our main parking lot**. Last week we completed our review of bids, selected contractors, and signed construction contracts. This week we submitted those contracts to the bank. Our bank loan will close sometime around Easter. **Construction will begin in early May!**

# Sunday Worship Service

## Worship Theme:

Experiencing Jesus at a Deeper Level

## Key Verse:

“When all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts.” Luke 23:48.

### Order of Service

#### Welcome

**Songs:** *Praise Him, Praise Him*  
*Psalms 23 (I Am Not Alone)*

#### Affirmation Poem

#### Connections

#### Offering Invitation

**Song:** *In the Secret*

#### Blessing of Our Offerings

**Song:** *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

#### Prayer

**Scripture:** *Luke 23:33-48*

**Sermon:** *Why Did Jesus Have To Die?*  
Rev. Jeff Miner

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

**Closing Song:** *God of Grace and God of Glory*

#### Closing & Benediction

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

#### Silent Confession

**General Confession:** Jesus, I stand before You and confess that I have sinned. I have harmed others—sometimes in profound ways—by the decisions I’ve made. I am eternally grateful that You stepped into my shoes, taking upon Yourself the just penalty for my sins, so I can be free. Amazing grace! What a Savior! 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:

**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.*



### 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 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.

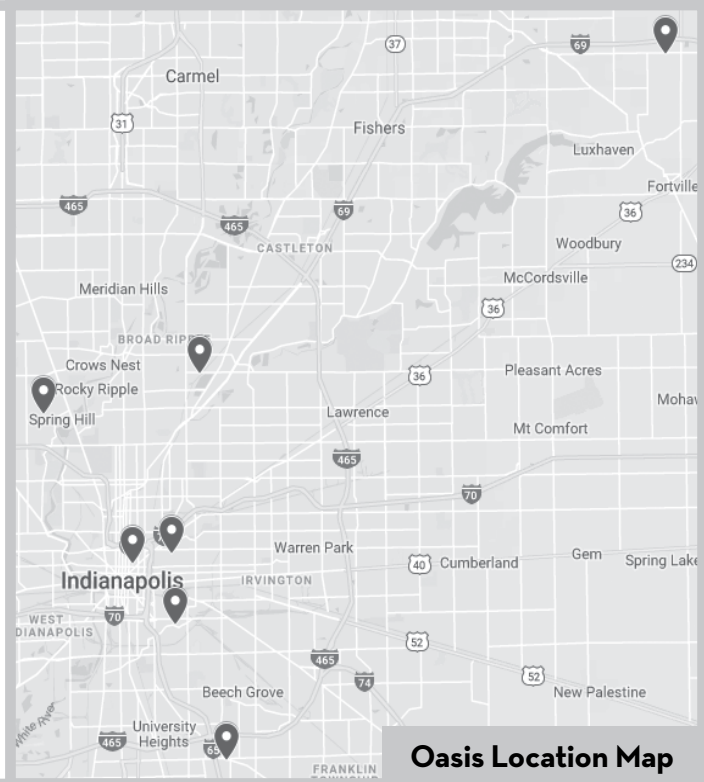
**SUN:** Teen Life After Hours (grades 9-12),  
856 Woodruff Place West Dr., Indianapolis at 6:30.

**MON:** Book Club Oasis, Room 8.  
Pendleton Oasis, 14294 Moonlight Path., Fishers.

**TUE:** Fountain Square Oasis (Child care available at location.)  
1820 Orange Street, Fountain Square at 6:30 pm  
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



## 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)

### Monday

7:30 PM AA Meeting, Room 6

### Tuesday

### Wednesday

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

### Thursday

7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Seder Meal, Cafe

### Friday

7:00 PM Good Friday Service, Sanctuary  
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  
10:00 AM Amazing Grace Easter Egg-stravaganza

### Exceptions...

Thu. Downtown Oasis will not meet this Thursday.

See the new and improved events calendar at:  
<http://LifeJourney.church/events-calendar>

## Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	123
11:00 am Service Attendance	168
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	63
General Offering: Last Week	\$6,373
Weekly Average: YTD Weekly Average	\$8,553
Budget Goal: * Weekly	\$9,119

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## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

### Campus Services: Grounds Crew

Each mowing season, 12 volunteers divide into 4 mowing crews to faithfully beautify the church grounds in preparation for Sunday. Each crew only serves one time per month for just a couple hours, usually on a Thursday, Friday, or Saturday.

This ministry believes their efforts serve more than cutting grass. When grounds are well-kept on the outside, they know it begins to set the tone for what others experience on Sundays.

Also, from a fiscally responsible perspective, the Grounds Crew saves the church thousands of dollars between the months of April and October. Thank you to this unsung crew!

If you enjoy the outdoors and can serve a couple hours per month beautifying our campus for Sunday, let us know!



### Word Alive! Scripture Coordinator

This ministry's leader is responsible for scheduling and rehearsing our Scripture Readers. (Rehearsal is usually done over the phone.) We're looking for someone who has a passion to see the Scriptures come alive, is a reliable administrator, and is comfortable coaching people in dramatic reading.

If you'd like more info about these service opportunities, complete this response form below.

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

##### RSVP and/or More Info:

☐ Easter Lily:

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Maunday Thursday Seder Meal

☐ Service Opportunities (circle):

Grounds Crew • Scripture

☐ Newcomers Welcome

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Last Day: Reserve Your Lily

Often called the "white-robed apostles of hope," lilies were found growing in the Garden of Gethsemane after Christ's agony. Tradition has it that the beautiful white lilies sprung up where drops of Christ's sweat fell to the ground in his final hours of sorrow and deep distress. Churches continue this tradition at Easter time by banking their alters and surrounding their crosses with masses of Easter Lilies, to commemorate the resurrection of Jesus Christ and hope of life everlasting.



If you would like to commemorate this tradition and/or honor someone special this Easter, please reserve your personal Easter Lily for Easter Sunday. (After service, you can take home your Lily.) Complete the response form and return it to Pastor Vivian or Spencer with \$10 payment attached. (They can also help you pay with credit card if necessary.) Do not deposit payments into offering basket or Welcome Center.

## LifeJourney Church Daily Meditations

Life is crazy. It can quickly scramble your brain and you soul. People of faith throughout the ages have used spiritual meditation as a way of renewing their peace, power, and perspective on a daily basis. It reminds us what's important, gets us into the Scriptures, and calms our soul. For years, LifeJourney has offered a daily meditation called Be Still and Know. In January, we evolved this wonderful resource. So, what's different?

We're now offering you access to a whole variety of wonderful spiritual teachers sharing a broad range of perspectives on Jesus, God, and the Scriptures. Each weekday we share a link to a powerful, encouraging, thought-provoking daily devotional written by a respected thought leader. As an added bonus, occasionally you'll get to read something written by deep thinkers from our own congregation! When you read a published author you really like, you can always subscribe to receive their devotional each day. But we would encourage you to consider sticking with the intentional variety we now offer on or page, so you can experience the freshness and the challenge that comes from different perspectives.

You can access the three ways. Join our FaceBook group at "LifeJourney Church Daily Meditations," visit our website, or subscribe to receive your daily devotional by email.

## 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, April 24 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 to the right. Questions may be directed to: PastorJeff@LifeJourney.church or call the church office at (317) 722-0000 x103.