

Sunday Headlines

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It's Happening—Full Steam Ahead

As you can see, progress is really picking up around our campus. Here's where our three projects stand.

- **New Restrooms:** The restroom sewer lines have been installed and we're awaiting inspection by the city. Once that is complete, concrete will be poured back and framing of the floors and walls will begin.
- **Exterior Siding:** Demolition work for the siding has begun. The old dilapidated burgundy siding is being removed while new structural components are installed in preparation for our 30-year warranty cement-board siding. It's going to be exciting to see this dramatic improvement in the appearance of our building!
- **Parking Lot Resurface:** Parking lot work is scheduled to begin after the siding is installed, so we don't have heavy truck traffic on the new asphalt.



SAVE THE DATE

August 18: LJC's 28th Anniversary

August 24: Troubadours Concert

September 15: Annual Church Picnic

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.

New to LifeJourney?

Pastor Jeff would love to connect with you!
The next Newcomer Welcome Reception happens
Wednesday, August 28 at 7:00 pm.

Leadership Opportunity

Our Local Outreach Board guides our church's compassionate outreach here in Indianapolis, coordinating our Saturday breakfast program for the homeless, our Movie Nights for homeless children, our renovations projects for worthy organizations and families in need, etc. Board members develop our outreach strategy, manage our outreach funds, monitor our outreach partnerships, and help plan our special activities. We're looking to add a couple additional Board members who are strategic thinkers, collaborative, and passionate about caring for people in great need.

If you would like more information, please fill out the response form on the back to today's bulletin, and we'll be in touch!

Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:

Getting Back Up Again

Key Verse:

“Mercy triumphs over judgment.” *James 2:13.*

Order of Service

Welcome

Affirmation Poem

Songs: *Mighty to Save*
Worthy Is the Lamb

Connections

Offering Invitation

Song: *Holy, Holy*

Blessing of Our Offerings

Song: *Amazing Grace*
(House of the Rising Sun)

Prayer

Scripture: *II Samuel 11, selected verses*

Sermon: *Why Even Bother?*
Rev. Jeff Miner

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

Song: *We Fall Down*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, I am so grateful that You never give up on me, even when I do terrible things. I am so grateful that You give me opportunities to do wonderful things in spite of my failures. May I show the same amazing grace to the people around me. May I forgive others as You forgive 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.

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.

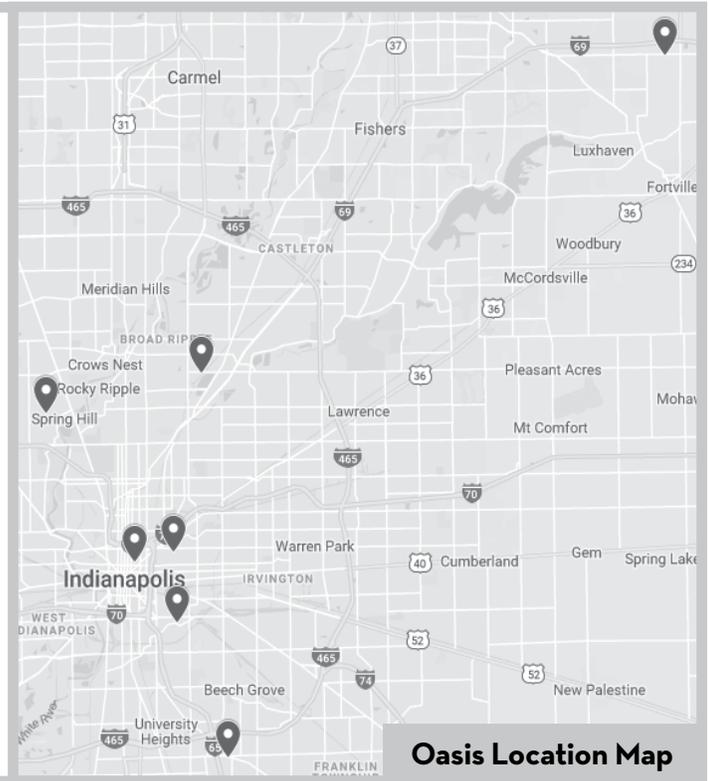
SUN: Teen Life After Hours (grades 9-12), Room 10 at 6:00 pm.

MON: ~~Book Club Oasis, Room 8:~~
Pendleton Oasis, 9479 W Campfire Dr., Pendleton

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)
- 11:30 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

- 7:00 PM Global Outreach Board, Room 8

Wednesday

- 6:00 PM SAFY Foster Parents Support, Room 6
- 6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Homosexuality and the Bible, Cafe

Thursday

- 6:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Spiritual Principles of Dating, 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

Exceptions...

- Mon. Book Club Oasis breaks for the Summer (Resumes August 26)

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

Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	112
11:00 am Service Attendance	152
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	128
General Offering: Last Week	\$5,199
Weekly Average: YTD Weekly Average	\$8,736
Budget Goal: * Weekly	\$9,119

Birthday Party Invitation...

Shhh... It's a surprise! Diana Walker invites you to stop by Room 6, today after second service, to celebrate Winnie Wainscott's 78th birthday! Light refreshments will be provided.

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Helping Desperate Families

Exciting news! LifeJourney is becoming part of a network of Indianapolis churches who provide temporary housing for homeless families. That means next year we will have homeless families staying in our church for three one-week periods. The network we're working is called "Family Promise," and welcomes all families, including LGBTQ. Our Local Outreach Board has spent months in dialogue with Family Promise and now we're ready to take the plunge!

Next year, we will host families for three weeks. They will sleep in our building (on cots provided by the network) and we will provide meals and a few entertainment options for the kids. During the day, they will be at work, school, or at the network resource center. We will use a van to transport them to and from the center each morning and evening.

Jesus said, "Whatever you do to the least among you, you have done it unto me." This new initiative will allow us to express the love of God to these families in a very direct and powerful way. But for the three weeks we have families in our building, we'll need lots of our folks to volunteer in various roles (cooking, serving, entertaining, transporting, sleeping over). In the months ahead, we will begin recruiting volunteers to help with our first week, which will be the week of December 29 through January 4! Stay tuned for more information!

Service Opportunities at LifeJourney

LifeJourney is blessed by the amazing support of volunteers that serve on Sunday and throughout the week. Today we highlight a couple ministries that could use additional volunteers:

- **Cleaning Crew:** Cleans an assigned area of the church
- **Children's Ministry:** Greeters and Teachers/Assistants
- **Hospitality:** Prepares refreshments on Sundays. (Help especially needed on the 1st and 4th Sundays of the month.)

Volunteers serve one time per month. If you'd like additional information about these ministries, complete the response form below.

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

- Local Outreach Board Leadership
- August Newcomer Welcome Reception
- Service Opportunities (circle):

Cleaning Crew • Children's Ministry • Hospitality

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

PURDUE Polytechnic High Visit

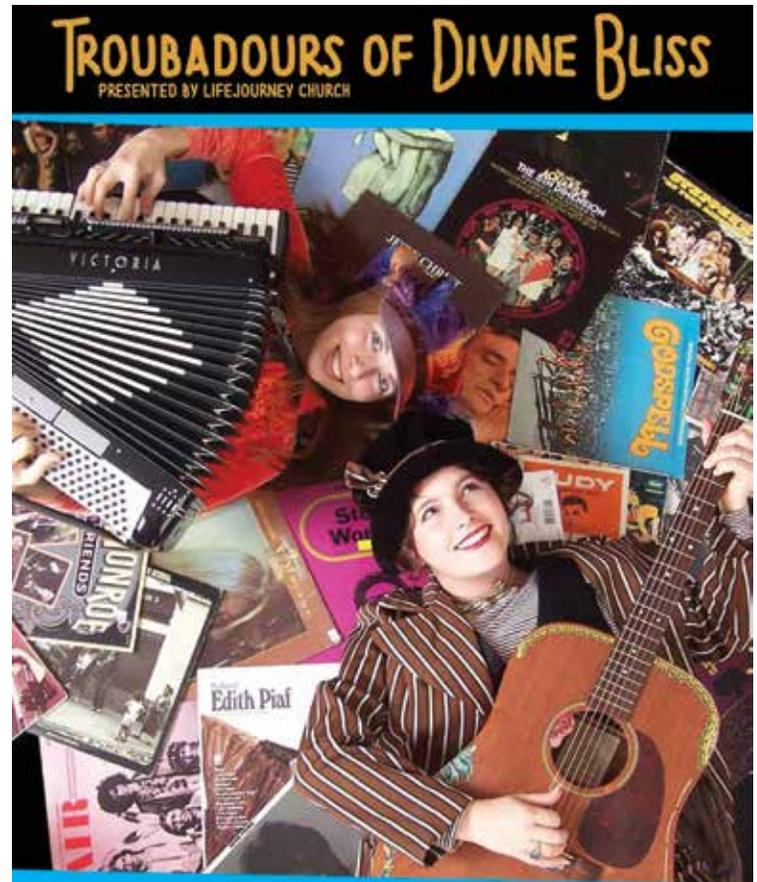
Purdue is doing something special in our community for high school education. Kids won't be sitting in chairs, taking notes or staring at Power Point presentations! Instead they'll be building prototypes, creating business plans and working alongside some of the top employers in the state to solve real problems. Purdue Polytechnic High School is changing everything you think you know about education!

Karen Puffer, a representative from the school, will be chatting with our youth during TeenLife, next Sunday, August 11. She will be sharing information about the school and opportunities to get involved with this innovative program. Learn more by visiting pphs.purdue.edu.



Teen Life After Hours

Each Sunday at 6:00 pm, high school youth meet in The Loft (Room 10) with Pastor Chris and others. (See Oasis Meeting Times on Page 3.)



SATURDAY, AUGUST 24 @ 7:00 PM

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE LOBBY OR AT LIFE JOURNEY CHURCH

VOTED "BEST FOLK BAND" IN NEW ORLEANS AND LOUISVILLE
"MUSIC THAT WILL MELT A STONE STATUE" -BBC RADIO

"THE TROUBADOURS OF DIVINE BLISS CREATE MUSIC THAT TRANSFORMS THE HEART AND ILLUMINATES THE SOUL. THEIR SONGS WILL BRIGHTEN YOUR DAY, LIFT YOUR SPIRIT, AND MOVE YOU. THE WARMTH OF THEIR HARMONIES, THE POWER OF THEIR WORDS, AND THE PROGRESSION OF THEIR MELODIES CARRIES YOU TO A MEDITATIVE PLACE AND GENTLY GROUNDS YOU BACK INTO YOUR BEST SELF." -JONATHAN COWHERD