

Sunday Headlines

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Children Ministry's Growth Spurt

LifeJourney's Children's Ministry is growing! While experiencing this growth spurt, they have developed some innovative projects including: live worship, storytelling, and dedicated mentors for our children. Thankfully, some of their existing volunteers have stepped into these specialized roles, making room for a few more people to join the team.

Pastor Chris would love for you to consider being part of this exciting time in the life of our church and children! If you are interested in being an activity leader, greeter/concierge, or other roles that could be explored individually, please complete the response form and he will be in touch with you this week.



CUSEN Fall Network Gathering



LifeJourney Church is part of a denomination called Metropolitan Community Churches (MCC). Within the denomination are networks of regional churches. Our own, Pastor David Zier, is the Network Coordinator of our region's network, Central United States Eastern Network (CUSEN).

LifeJourney will be hosting the CUSEN fall network gathering, October 19 - 20. This will be an extra special gathering as MCC is celebrating 50 years on a mission to "Transform ourselves as we transform the world." Think of all that has happened and how the world has changed over 50 years—and we could still benefit from more transforming, including ourselves!

So let's come together and remind ourselves that we are all God's people—equally valued and loved. ALL OF US!

For the CUSEN network this means continuing to love and support each other while building the future. This year's gathering will be a reminder what it means to be a diverse community in 2018 for all people. There will also be conversation about generosity and how a follower of Jesus can live in a generous way—How does our heart truly follow where we put our treasure? Time will also be set aside to talk about what is happening in MCC at the denominational level. This will be a wonderful opportunity to listen and share.

The cost for the entire weekend event is only \$35 and includes three meals. (Friday only, \$10; Saturday only, \$25)

If you would like more information on this event, complete the response form in today's bulletin. Additional information is also available at the Welcome Center.

AIDS Conference Gala

Today at 2:00 pm, here at LifeJourney, Harold Brown and Denise Stafford will present information from the 2018 International AIDS Conference held in July.

This program is open to the community and will feature Dr. Sunjay Gupta, Medical Director and Professor of Medicine at Indiana University. Learn about the latest research and continue the important dialogue surrounding AIDS and infectious diseases.

Hospitality Crew

Two people needed to prepare snacks and beverages during the 1st service on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

Use the response form to learn more!

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) **this Wednesday 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 in today's bulletin.

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

Stock Up on Mission Trash Bags

Fall yard cleanup is right around the corner! Stock up on colorful trash bags that will surely impress your neighbors and trash collector, not to mention adding a colorful appeal to your curb.

Trash bags are \$10 a roll and benefit LifeJourney missions. You can also make a purchase and donate the roll to the Immigrant Welcome Center. Cash or cards accepted in the Lobby.



Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:

Broken Dreams

Key Verse:

“In the six hundredth year of Noah’s life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day, on that day all the fountains of the great deep burst forth and the windows of the heavens were opened. The rain fell on earth forty days and forty nights.” Genesis 7:11.

Order of Service

Welcome

Songs: *I Will Bless Thee O Lord*
I Love You Lord

Affirmation Poem

Connections

Offering Invitation

Song: *One Thing Remains*

Blessing of Our Offerings

Song: *Speak the Name*

Prayer

Scripture: *Genesis 7:11-24*

Sermon: *When the Flood Comes*
Jeff Miner

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

Closing Song: *The Solid Rock*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, when the rain falls and the flood waters rise around me, it’s easy to lose all perspective. In those times, help me to steady my soul and unleash the power of my faith, as I patiently navigate deep waters, watching for signs of the rainbow that lies ahead. 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.

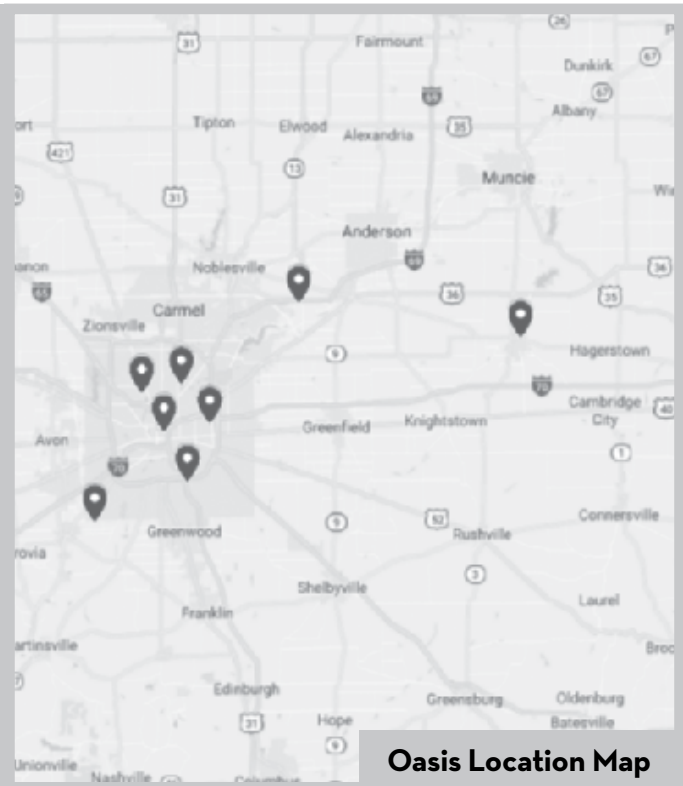
If you prefer not to be on camera, just sit the back half of the left section.



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, 9479 W Campfire Dr., Pendleton.
- TUE:** Eastside Oasis, 1440 N. Edmondson Ave., Indianapolis.
Journey through the Bible Oasis, Room 6.
Mornings with God Oasis, Cafe at 10:00 am.
New Castle Oasis, 205 S 21st St., New Castle.
Westside Oasis, 4465 Clover Dr., Indianapolis.
- WED:** Family Oasis, Room 6 (Begins October 10)
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 Rd., Indianapolis at 6:30 pm.
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)
11:00 am Teen Life (6-12th grade), The Loft (Room 10)
1:00 pm Financial Peace University, Room 6
2:00 pm AIDS Conference Gala, Sanctuary
5:00 pm Community Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Monday

- 7:00 pm Worship As Healing, Sanctuary
7:30 pm AA Meeting, Room 6

Tuesday

- 7:00 pm Local Outreach Board, Room 7

Wednesday

- 6:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:00 pm Grief Support Workshop, Room 8

Thursday

- 6:00 pm Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
7:00 pm Discipleship 101/102, 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

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

Last Week's Numbers...

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| 9:30 am Service Attendance | 107 |
| 11:00 am Service Attendance | 166 |
| Oasis & Discipleship Attendance | 105 |
| General Offering: Last Week | \$6,436 |
| Weekly Average: Thirteen Week Average | \$8,420 |
| 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.

Enroll in automated giving or
make a one-time gift

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SAVE THE DATE

Sat. 10.27.18

Trunk-or-Treat & Fall Family Festival

New Family Oasis Begins in October!

LifeJourney Church will be launching a new Oasis group with a focus on families! October 10 will be the first session and we welcome anyone with children or teens in the home to join us every Wednesday from 6:30 - 7:30 in Room 6.

Each week of the month, Family Oasis will focus on something different to provide a variety of ways for families to engage:

- **First Wednesdays**, they will partner with SAFY, a local foster care agency, to provide a parent support group that offers emotional support and training for any parent—not just foster families.
- **Second Wednesdays**, a therapist will join the group and help them to process the struggle and responsibility of being a parent.
- **Third Wednesdays**, they will have a pot luck meal with the entire family present for fellowship and a short discussion.
- **Fourth Wednesdays**, is a discussion topic, picked by the group, older children and teens are welcome to participate in the conversation.

Anytime there is a 5th Wednesday in the month, the Oasis will take that week off for family time at home.

Childcare will be provided with the exception of the 3rd Wednesday when the Family Oasis fellowships together.

If you are interested in being part of the Family Oasis, or if you have questions, please complete the response form and Chris Edwards, our Minister of Family Life, will be in touch.

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

RSVP and/or More Info:

- Family Oasis
- Children's Ministry Volunteer
- CUSEN Network Gathering
- Hospitality Crew
- Newcomer Welcome Reception

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

Benefit Concert at LifeJourney!

LifeJourney will be hosting a Community Benefit Concert on Saturday, October 6 at 5:00 pm. Our Worship Arts Minister, Jason Powell, is pulling the concert together by tapping into his network of vocalists and musicians from across Indy. In addition to Pastor Jason, the concert will feature Candice Richey, Rodnie Bryant, and our own Joel Ogburn, along with other special guests and a Community Choir. The Community Choir will include folks from our LifeJourney choir, plus volunteers from beyond our church walls.

Admission to the concert is free, but an offering will be taken. Net proceeds from the concert will help fund desperately needed renovations at the Dayspring Center for Homeless Families. LifeJourney's own WonderWorkers Team will do the renovations this fall!

If you love spiritual music, and you have a heart to help the homeless, don't miss this extraordinary concert! If you want to invite a friend, pick up a copy of the Concert flier at the Welcome Desk.



Clarifying Our Service Dog Policy

At LifeJourney, we want everyone to be able to participate. As part of that commitment, we welcome service dogs who are trained and perform tasks for persons with disabilities.



We also allow emotional support dogs if a medical or mental health professional has specifically determined they assist with a diagnosed disability.* Emotional support dogs and service dogs must both comply with the following ADA requirements:

- They should be tethered or leashed at all times, unless these devices interfere with the service dog's work.
- They should not bark or behave in a distracting manner.
- They should not be on the furniture out of respect for those with allergies.
- They should be thoroughly housebroken and never piddle inside.

*** Before bringing an emotional support dog, we ask that you please register your dog with the church office in advance. Just send an email to Info@LifeJourney.church and we'll send you the registration form. No need to pre-register a service dog.**

We love pets of every description at LifeJourney, but they should not be brought to church gatherings unless they are officially-designated emotional support or service dogs. Exceptions may be made for outdoor events, like the church picnic. Thank you for helping us make LifeJourney a welcoming place for everyone!