

Sunday Headlines

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LifeJourney
Church

TRUNK OR TREAT & CHILI COOK-OFF

Saturday, October 27 is going to be one howl of a night! Decorate your vehicle and bring some candy for the kids as they Trunk-or-Treat in the church parking lot. Prizes will be awarded for the best costume and decorated vehicle.

For the adults, we have a chili cook-off, enter your cauldron of chili if you dare. Everyone come prepared to taste some of the best chili under the full moon. Then we'll vote for the winner!



In addition, we will have music, storytelling, and s'mores around the fire. It all starts at 6:00 pm, right here on the south lawn of LifeJourney Church. Bring a chair and blanket, too.

If you are interested in decorating a trunk, entering the chili cook off, or helping/judging, please complete the response form in today's bulletin.

Family Oasis

The new Family Oasis launches this Wednesday at 6:30 pm in Room 6.

Concierges at Main Street Station

Each Sunday, a couple friendly faces help welcome our children and new families to Main Street Station. It's a unique position that balances creating first impressions with helping to calm late arrivals on a hectic Sunday morning. It's such a vital role and we could use a few more warm and friendly smiles.

Another characteristic that will help a volunteer excel in this role is to be comfortable with computer software and typing skills—often new families will need to be registered in the check-in system before settling into a classroom.

If you would like to learn more about this opportunity, complete the response form in today's bulletin. Pastor Chris, Minister of Family Life, will be in touch 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.

Celebrating Door Hanger Heroes!

This week our team of 11 volunteers completed their final round of door hangers in the neighborhoods surrounding the church. Each week for the past 4 weeks, about 1,750 homes have received a door hanger, each week telling them something different about our wonderful church!

Layered on top of the door hanger deliveries was hyper-targeted Facebook advertising to the neighborhood. This online campaign reached 4,508 people, each seeing our ad 5.74 times, with a 1.5% click through rate to our website (which is on par with online advertising).

It will take about 6 months now to fully assess our impact. With past outreach campaigns like this, we've seen people coming to our church months afterward, usually when something happens in their lives that causes them to want a deeper connection to God. So the seeds have been planted. Now let's pray for the harvest in the weeks and months ahead!

Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:

God's Promise In Our Lives

Key Verse:

"Sarah laughed to herself." Genesis 18:12.

Order of Service

Welcome

Songs: *Trading My Sorrows*
Lord I Need you

Affirmation Poem

Connections

Offering Invitation

Song: *Cry of My Heart*

Blessing of Our Offerings

Song: *You Say*

Scripture: *Genesis 18:1-15, selected verses*

Sermon: *Crazy & Laughable*
Jeff Miner

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

Closing Song: *He Keeps Me Singing*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, when You call me to do bold or unusual things, I often laugh, then quickly turn away without further thought. Forgive me. Remind me that nothing is too wonderful for You! Like Sarah, may I be bold enough to take some risks in life when I hear You calling. 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.

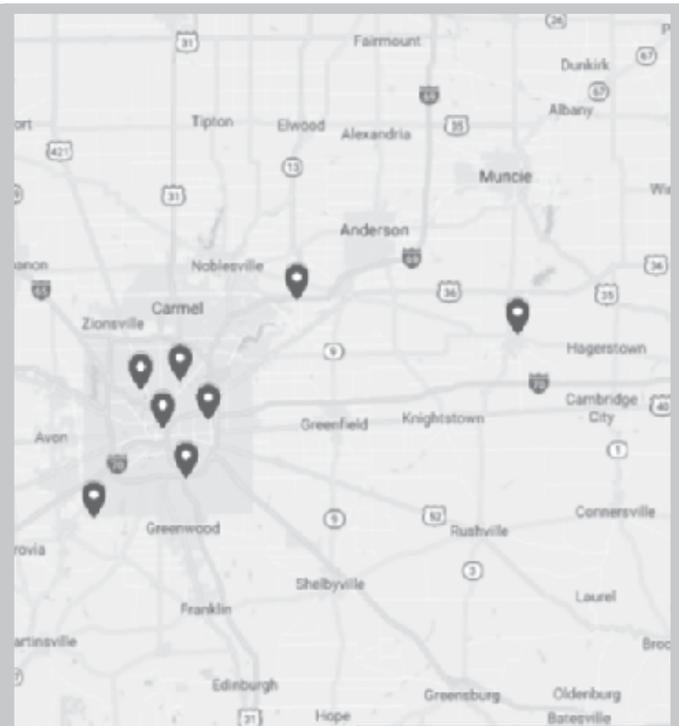
If you prefer not to be on camera, just sit the back half of the left section.



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 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 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

Monday

- 7:30 pm AA Meeting, Room 6

Tuesday

- 7:00 pm Board of Directors (Open Meeting), 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

Exceptions...

- Mon. ~~Book Club Oasis~~ will not meet this week, resumes 10/8
~~Pendleton Oasis~~ will not meet this week, resumes 10/8

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

Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	129
11:00 am Service Attendance	163
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	94
General Offering: Last Week	\$4,927
Weekly Average: Thirteen Week Average	\$8,647
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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Find your Oasis! Coming to Oasis? What is Oasis?!

Oasis is a network of small groups that meet regularly for friendship, support, study, and prayer. Oasis groups are the single best way to connect and make wonderful friendships at church. See "Oasis Meeting Times," inside today's bulletin on page 3. Also, pickup an Oasis brochure at the Welcome Center for more detailed information about each Oasis. Please contact the church office if you need more information on finding your perfect Oasis!

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 or other roles that could be explored individually, please complete the response form and he will be in touch with you this week.



LifeJourney's Halloween Lock-In

On October 19, youth and teens will try to survive a haunting lock-in at the church from 7:30 pm Friday night to 7:00 am the next morning! Fun will lurk around every corner—ghoulish snacks, frightening movies, board games, a graveyard skit, and more!

Additionally, if you are interested in assisting with this event, volunteers are needed to help with breakfast, supply snacks, decorating, cleanup, etc. Complete the response form for more details.

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

RSVP and/or More Info:

- Trunk-or-Treat & Chili Cook-Off (circle below)
Decorated Trunk • Chili Entry • Helpers/Judges
- Concierge at Main Street Station
- Children's Ministry Volunteer
- CUSEN Network Gathering
- Newcomer Welcome Reception

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

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, October 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 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.

Board of Directors Meeting

This Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm in Room 7
Meetings are open for all to attend.

Voter Registration Deadline!

This Tuesday is the last day to register to vote for the critical November 6 election. You can register online at <https://indianavoters.in.gov/>. Both Uber and Lyft are offering free rides to the polls on November 6. Voting is our sacred responsibility.



Earn Money Shopping



Did you know your simple act of shopping can earn LifeJourney Church commission? Every time you shop at Kroger, on Amazon.com, or Apple/iTunes, LifeJourney receives a small commission from your spending. What a way to supplement regular giving!

- **Kroger:** Register your Kroger Card on their website and choose LifeJourney Church as your beneficiary. (Registrations must be renewed every 365 days.)
- **Amazon:** Click the special Amazon link on the church website and begin shopping. Additionally, also select LifeJourney Church as your beneficiary in the Amazon Smile program. Book mark the special page for easy access.
- **Apple / iTunes:** Begin your iTunes media search on our website and your purchase benefits LifeJourney.

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