

Sunday Headlines

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Life Journey Holiday Events

Nov. 28	12:00 PM - 4:00 PM	Annual Thanksgiving Dinner
Dec. 15	9:30 AM & 11:00 AM	A Christmas Oasis: The True Gift Unwrapped LifeJourney Christmas Program at both services.
Dec. 20	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Blue Christmas Service
Dec. 24	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 25	1:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Pastors Jeff & David's Christmas Open House

Together We Care

Do you know someone in need of care?

Contact PastorVivian@LifeJourney.church



Christmas Program Announced

A Christmas Oasis: The True Gift Unwrapped will celebrate the story of Christ's birth through music and drama, creating a memorable experience for the whole family.

LifeJourney encourages you to reach out and invite a friends to this special program happening during both worship services on Sunday, December 15.

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Thursday

12:00 – 4:00 pm

Ham & Turkey provided.

Please register your side dish or dessert, to share, at the Welcome Desk.

RSVP # of attendees through the response form on the back page.

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, Dec. 11 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 on the back page. Questions may be directed to: PastorJeff@LifeJourney.church or call the church office at (317) 722-0000 x103.

Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:
Contentment

Key Verse:

“Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread,
and your labor for that which does not satisfy?” *Isaiah 55:2.*

Order of Service

Welcome

Affirmation Poem

Praise & Worship: *We Are Grateful
King of My Heart*

Connections

Offering Selection: *Give Thanks*

Offering Blessing

Song of Preparation: *Be Thou My Vision*

Prayer

Scripture: *Isaiah 55:1-3*

Sermon: *Top of the World*
Rev. David Zier

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

Congregational Hymn: *Now Thank We All Our God*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, life can get so busy and get me in a tizzy. Time runs short. It becomes easy to put you aside and forget to prioritize you in my life. Remind me that when I give you priority time, eating from the banquet you offer, it allows me to move toward true contentment. 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:

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 in the back half of the left section.



Oasis Meeting Times...

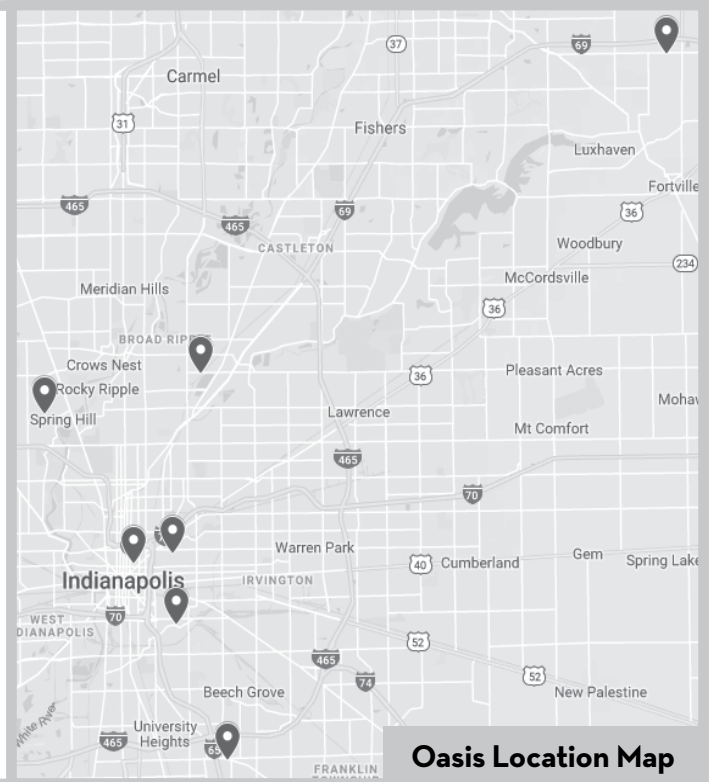
- Oasis groups are small groups that meet regularly for friendship, support, study, and prayer. This is a great way to make connections!
- Groups are open to everyone and meet evenings at 7:00 pm in various locations. (Exceptions will be noted.)
- No registration is required. If you're planning to visit 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.

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



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)
11:30 AM Teen Life (6-8th grade), The Loft (Rm 10)

Youth are released from the Sanctuary before the sermons.

Monday

7:30 PM AA Meeting, Room 6

Tuesday

7:00 PM Local Outreach Board, Room 8

Wednesday

Thursday

12:00 PM Annual Thanksgiving Day Meal, Cafe

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
6:00 PM Sisterhood Group Meeting, Conner Prairie

Exceptions...

Thurs. Oasis Groups will not meet on Thanksgiving day.

See the full events calendar from LifeJourney!

View this month at: LifeJourney.church/events

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Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	131
11:00 am Service Attendance	151
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	81
General Offering: Last Week	\$10,267
Weekly Average: YTD Weekly Average	\$8,587
Budget Goal: Weekly	\$9,119

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Advent Day of Silence Retreat

In today's sermon, Pastor David challenges us to take Isaiah 55 more seriously in our lives. As part of that challenge, he invites us to take a silent day for Advent. Modern life can be chaotic; what a radical shift to be *weird* this holiday season and spend 24 hours in silence to prepare our hearts right before Christmas.

If this speaks to you, join Pastor David as he hosts an Advent Day of Silence Prayer Retreat at the Fatima Retreat House, right down the street from the church on 56th Street. The retreat begins on December 17 at 4:00 PM with a short devotion at Fatima House and ends December 18 at 6 PM with a brief discussion over coffee at Starbucks.

The registration fee of \$72 includes Tuesday dinner, then breakfast and lunch on Wednesday (Starbucks not included).

Complete the response form for more details and to RSVP, paid reservations must be received before December 11.

Lights, Camera, Action!

Do you enjoy technology or working behind the scenes? Then perhaps being part of the Creative Arts Ministry might be a way you can have some fun while serving your church.



The Media Team is looking for some additional technicians to serve during both services, one Sunday per month. The following positions have openings:

- **Audio** (basic audio experience required)
- **Lighting** (no prior experience needed)
- **Cameras** (basic video/photography skills are helpful)
- **Stagehand/Assistant** (no prior experienced needed)

If you would like to learn more about serving with the Media Team or to shadow the team on an upcoming Sunday, please complete the response form.

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

- ☐ Thanksgiving Dinner: _____ of people attending
- ☐ Newcomer Welcome Reception
- ☐ Advent Day of Silence Prayer Retreat
- ☐ Creative Arts: Media Team Technician
- ☐ Cleaning Crew Volunteer
- ☐ Sisterhood Group Info/RSVP
- ☐ Dinner Church

Name _____

Mobile/Text _____

Email _____

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

Help Wanted: Cleaning Crew



Did you know our church is kept clean and fresh by a crew of volunteers? Whether it's wiping tables, shining glass, pushing a vacuum, or swinging a mop, individuals serve once per month (usually less than 2 hours) and clean an assigned area of the building. Several areas need additional volunteers to lend a hand. Does this sound like a way you can support LifeJourney? If so, please complete the response form to learn more!

Upcoming Sisterhood Group Events

Sisterhood is a newly formed group that fosters companionship and mutual support for those who identify as female.

The sisters' next large group activity will be a pitch-in lunch, here at the church, on December 7 at noon. In addition, there will be a cookie exchange on December 10 at 7 pm and an outing to Connor Prairie for "A Merry Prairie Holiday" on November 30 at 6 pm.

If you are interested in learning more about these events, complete the response form below. You may also review the events calendar on the church website. Join and celebrate sisterhood!



Coming Soon in December

LifeJourney will launch *Dinner Church*—worship around the dinner table in Fountain Square. Every Thursday, starting the week after Thanksgiving, share in a potluck meal centered around the eucharist. Dinner begins at 6:30 pm, but the doors open by 6:00 pm for those who wish to prepare food and fellowship together.

Each week there will be a reading from the Narrative Lectionary, followed by an open discussion about the text around the table. All are welcome at the table, even our children! The message is short and surrounded by reflective moments that children can participate in. The setting is reflective, but informal and relaxed. The meal provides the space for adults to have deeper conversations.

Plan to join in this unique *Dinner Church* service beginning December 5 at 6:30 in Fountain Square (1820 Orange Street Indianapolis). For more information, please complete the response form to the left or contact ChrisEdwards@LifeJourney.church.