

Sunday Headlines

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February 3, 2019



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.

Getting Myself Together

If you feel called to prepare a Personal Spiritual Action Plan for 2019, we're making it easy! You'll find a fillable form ready for you on the homepage of our website <http://LifeJourney.church>. Scroll down the homepage to the bright green button.

Next Sunday, we will say a special prayer of blessing in worship service for all our Spiritual Action Plans. At the foregoing link, you'll find instructions for how to have your Plan included in that special prayer! There you will also have the option (if you wish) to share your plan with our Pastors, who will pray for the success of your Plan and send occasional notes of encouragement as we move through 2019.

If you'd prefer, you can get a hard copy of the Plan template at the Welcome Desk, complete it, then return it to the collection box at the Welcome Desk next Sunday for inclusion in the special prayer next Sunday.

New Year, New Budget...

Setup an online giving account at
www.LifeJourney.church/give
or text an amount **317-793-3417**
(Text givers may choose to allow their giving amount to be a repeating gift.)

2018 Giving Statements *Thank You!*

Year-end giving statements for your taxes have now been distributed by email to all givers for whom we have an email address, and by regular mail to all other givers. If you have not yet received your giving statement, please check your email bulk/spam folder. You may request a duplicate copy by clicking the red button on our home page at <http://LifeJourney.church>.

Nominating Committee Report

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will occur on Sunday, February 24, at 12:45 pm in the Sanctuary. Congregational Meeting packets will be available two weeks in advance. At the meeting, we will vote on a proposed budget and elect three members to the Board of Directors. After canvassing for interest and moving through a discernment process, the Nominating Committee has completed its work and is excited to nominate three wonderful candidates for the open Board positions: Allen Archibald, Nancy Duncan, and Tim Paschal.

The Nominating Committee consisted of GERALYN Vandever, Andrew Robbins, Genese Parker, and Pastor Jeff. Under our Bylaws, members are also allowed to self-nominate outside the Nominating Committee process. If you would like to self-nominate, please request a nomination packet at Board@LifeJourney.church no later than February 3—today.



Tonight! Super Bowl Party at LJC

The Family Life Ministry is hosting a Super Bowl party this evening! All are welcome, not just families and kids.

The game will be playing on the Cafe big screen TV. There will also be a variety of board games and activities available (for those that may appreciate fellowship and commercials more than the game itself).

So bring your favorite party snacks and non-alcoholic drinks to share. This is a great chance to get to know some folks while rooting for your favorite team. Pre-game at 5:30, kick-off at 6:30... pop in anytime!



Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:

Getting Myself Together

Key Verse:

"The weapons of our warfare are not merely human, but they have divine power to destroy strongholds . . . and take every thought captive to obey Christ." // *Corinthians 10:4-5*.

Presenting Today...

Welcome

Songs: *Lift Every Voice and Sing*
We Praise Your Name

Affirmation Poem

Connections

Offering Invitation

Song: *Lord I Lift Your Name*

Blessing of Our Offerings

Song: *Because of Who You Are*

Prayer

Scripture: *John 8:31-45*

Sermon: *The Voices In My Head*
Rev. Jeff Miner

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

Closing Song: *Be Thou My Vision*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, thank You for being greater than the power of my negative thought patterns. Forgive me for allowing myself to become enslaved by them. Help me to recognize the biggest lie the devil is trying to use against me right now and begin to uproot it. Together, let's destroy that negative stronghold. 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: _____

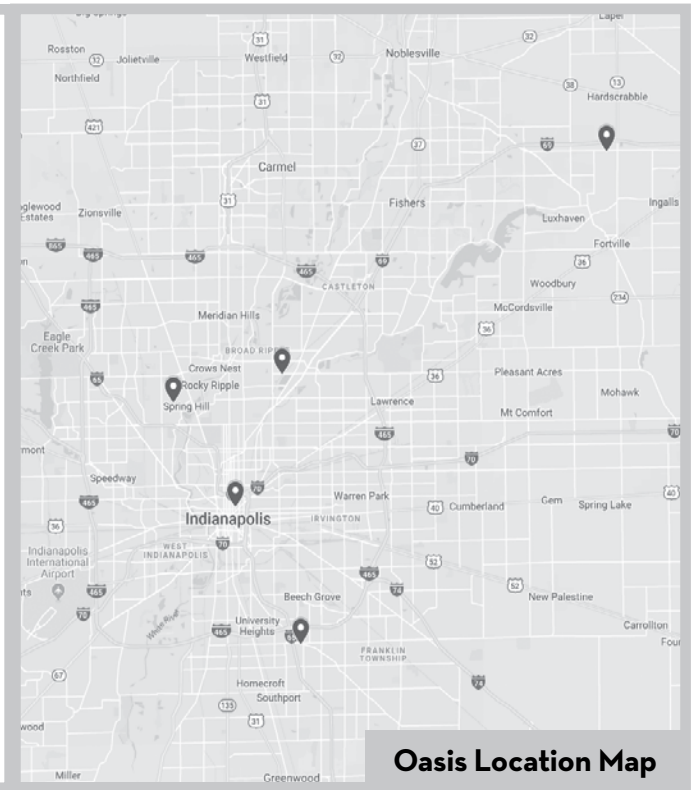
Email: _____

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.**

- MON:** Book Club Oasis, Room 8.
Pendleton Oasis, 14294 Moonlight Path., Fishers.
- TUE:** Journey through the Bible Oasis, Room 6.
Mornings with God Oasis, Cafe at 10:00 am.
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 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)
 - 11:00 AM Teen Life (6-8th grade), The Loft (Rm 10)
 - 1:00 PM Family Ministry Team Forum, Room 6
 - 6:30 PM Teen Life After Hours (9-12th grade), The Loft (Rm 10)
 - 1:00 PM Superbowl Party, Cafe

- Monday**
- 7:30 PM AA Meeting, Room 6

- Tuesday**
- 7:00 PM Global Outreach Board, Room 7

- Wednesday**
- 6:00 PM Praise Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary
 - 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

- Thursday**
- 6:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
 - 7:00 PM Discipleship 101/102 (Registration Required), 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

Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	113
11:00 am Service Attendance	146
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	62
General Offering: Last Week	\$4,976
Weekly Average: Thirteen Week Average	\$10,352
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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Minister of Discipleship
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Minister of Operations
- Jason Powell**
Minister of Worship Arts
- Chris Edwards**
Minister of Family Life

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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!*

2019 Prayer Retreat

Every other year, LifeJourney offers an extended-weekend prayer retreat. They've been an amazing time to nurture our spirit and connect with others in a deeply meaningful way.

In between years, we're offering a couple shorter retreats much closer to home. And the first one is coming this Spring, with paid reservations due by April 14—mark your calendars!

Fatima Retreat House

5353 E 56th St, Indianapolis (near LJC)

Friday, May 31 at 9 am (overnight into Saturday AM)

\$72 includes room and three meals on Friday

After a full-day retreat on Friday, time together concludes Saturday morning with a devotional, then breakfast out together (self-pay).

For the majority of time, this will be a silent retreat. Guiding material will be provided for those who choose to use them. Participants are also encouraged to bring items that will be spiritually beneficial to them on a retreat like this (e.g. Bible, journal, music with earphones, coloring book, puzzle, books, walking shoes, etc.). And remember. . . sleeping is sacred and taking a nap is all part of spending time with God. There are no confines as to how to conduct a retreat such as this! Additionally, there is the possibility of a Spiritual Direction session (may incur an additional charge depending on the number of requests).

Pastor David and participants will convene prior to the retreat to meet one another and prepare for this sacred time. Does this sound like a meaningful way to nurture your spirit? Then, please let Pastor David know you are interested and would like more information through the response form below.

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

RSVP and/or More Info:

Prayer Retreat Info

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

Coming Soon. . .

LifeJourney Local Missions Trip!

Mark your calendar for Saturday, March 2, from 9:00 am–3:00 pm, when a bunch of us will spend the day painting the 14 family apartments at the Dayspring Center for the Homeless. Share God's love! Details in next week's bulletin.

Teen Life After Hours

High school students meet in The Loft (Rm10) each Sunday evening at 6:30 pm.

Communion Service

Did you know Communion is served twice each Sunday?

- After the 9:30 am Worship Service, Room 9.
- End of the 11:00 am Worship Service, Sanctuary



All are welcome at the table.

(Gluten-Free Wafers are available upon request.)

Capital Improvements Update

We met - and exceeded - the year-end goals our bank gave us for attendance and giving! So now we're moving through the procedural steps necessary to gain formal approval for our \$300,000 capital improvements loan. The loan will be used to replace the siding on our building, resurface the main parking lot, and create larger, code-compliant restrooms. Here's what's happening right now:

- This week we will submit our 2018 year-end financial statements to the bank.
- Meanwhile, an appraiser is appraising our church building, which takes about 30 days.
- We are also gathering some additional bids from contractors for the three key projects.

We are hoping for loan approve by the end of February, so the improvements can begin as soon as weather permits! Please keep lifting prayers that everything will continue to fall into place.