

Sunday Headlines

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Church



HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday Worship Celebration – March 25

Together, during both worship services, we'll ponder the meaning of the Passion of Christ.

Maunder Thursday Fellowship Meal – March 29 at 7:00 pm

We're saving a seat for you at MCL Cafeteria (2370 W. 86th Street). We've reserved a private room where we'll commemorate the Last Supper with a fellowship meal together and Holy Communion. This is a great opportunity to get to know new people in the congregation and grow our bonds of fellowship. Reservations required; please RSVP on the response form.

Good Friday Worship – March 30 at 7:00 pm

"The Via Dolorosa" is unlike any Good Friday service we've ever presented! We will retrace the last steps of Jesus in a virtual pilgrimage inspired by the Stations of the Cross. This special program will include stunning music, dramatic narration, and stories from several congregants that will help us apply lessons we can learn from the suffering of Jesus. Don't miss this moving worship experience!

Easter Sunday Worship Celebration – April 1

Together, during both worship services, we'll celebrate the risen Christ. There will be an inside Easter Egg Hunt for the kids during their class time in addition to their morning lesson.

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, March 28 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.

Reserve Your Easter Lilies

Often called the "white-robed apostles of hope," lilies were found growing in the Garden of Gethsemane after Christ's agony. Tradition has it that the beautiful white lilies sprung up where drops of Christ's sweat fell to the ground in his final hours of sorrow and deep distress. Churches continue this tradition at Easter time by banking their alters and surrounding their crosses with masses of Easter Lilies, to commemorate the resurrection of Jesus Christ and hope of life everlasting.



If you would like to commemorate this tradition and/or honor someone special this Easter, please reserve your personal Easter Lily for Easter Sunday. (After service, you can take home your Lily.) Complete the response form and return it to Pastor Vivian or Spencer with \$10 payment attached. Do not deposit payments into offering basket or Welcome Center. Reservations will be accepted through next Sunday, March 25.

Renew Yourself this Spring!

Registration deadline is today. Join Pastors Vivian and David for a weekend prayer retreat, April 6-8. Registration must be received today. Information packets are available at the Welcome Desk or complete the response form to be contacted with more details.



Spring Family Kick Off!

Attention All Parents and Children's Volunteers!



Be sure to RSVP for the LJC Spring Family Kick Off! taking place after worship at 12:45 pm on Sunday April 8. This will be your chance to get acquainted with our new Family Life Minister, Chris Edwards. Activities will include: free lunch, a conversation with Chris, balloon sculpting, bounce house, games, photo booth, and a spring planting craft for the kids. Don't miss the fun; be in the loop! This event is open to all parents, children, youth, and children/youth volunteers and their spouses! RSVP required. See response form in today's bulletin.

Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:

The Beauty of Christ - Living in Me

Key Verse:

"While he was praying, the appearance of his face changed." *Luke 9:29.*

Order of Service

Welcome

Songs: *Trading My Sorrows*
Awesome

Affirmation

Connection Moment

Offering Invitation

Song: *We Will Not Offer You*

Blessing of our Offering, Gifts & Resources

Song: *Thy Will*

Prayer

Scripture: *Luke 9:28-36*

Sermon: *I Can See It In Your Face*
Rev. Jeff Miner

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

Closing Song: *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, I'm tired of letting stress wreak havoc in my life. I realize circumstances will always pump stress into my life, so I've got to get better at processing that stress. Like Jesus before me, help me to regularly set aside quiet time to share my burdens with You, hear Your feedback, and experience the relief of having such a Wise Guide and Strong Partner. 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 now available, upon request for those with dietary restrictions.

Sermons Notes:

How to have Personal Encounters with God

1. Go to your quiet place.
2. Quiet yourself. How? Experiment with various options such as:
 - a. Listening to a few minutes of worship music.
 - b. Gazing at nature or an object, like a candle or cloud.
 - c. Sitting in silence, breathing, dismissing all conscious thoughts.
 - d. Pondering a scripture passage.
 - e. Repeating a Bible verse or breath prayer over and over again as a mantra.
 - f. Expressing gratitude for blessings of the last 24 hours.
 - g. Visualize being in a beautiful place.
3. Speak to God from your gut and listen to what God says back.
 - a. Tell God what's stressing you and ask what God wants to say to you.
 - b. Verbalize or write down what you sense God saying.
4. Schedule your encounter times with God or the crush of life will ALWAYS crowd them out.
5. Take a couple brief "Balance Breaks" or "Sacred Pauses" through the day (1-2 minutes each).

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. (Crossed out exceptions noted below and on the calendar.)
- No registration is required. If you're new, it's suggested you contact the church office to ensure times/locations have not changed due to special events or unforeseen circumstances.

- MON:** Book Club Oasis, Room 8.
Pendleton Oasis, 9479 W Campfire Dr., Pendleton.
New Castle Oasis, 205 S 21st St., New Castle.
- TUE:** Eastside Oasis, 1440 N. Edmondson Ave., Indianapolis.
~~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, Room 7.
- THU:** Broad Ripple Oasis, 2525 Dell Zell Dr., Indianapolis.
Downtown Oasis, 225 E North St. #2500, Indianapolis.
Southwest Oasis, 6561 Walton Dr. N, Camby.
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! (Age 2-5th grade), Main St. Station (Rm 1-4)
- 11:00 am Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00 am LJC Kids! (Age 2-5th grade), Main St. Station (Rm 1-4)
- 11:00 am The Bridge 2.0 (6-8 grade), Main St. Station (Rm 5)
- 11:00 am Teen Life (9-12 grade), The Loft (Room 10)
- 1:00 pm Deacon Meeting, Room 8

Monday

- 7:30 pm AA Meeting, Room 6

Tuesday

Wednesday

- 6:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Big Book AA Meeting, Room 8
- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Thursday

- 6:00 pm Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Discipleship 101 (Registration Required), Room 7
- 7:00 pm Grief Share, Room 8

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
- 9:00 am Giveaway Day with IWC, Wesley UMC
- 3:00 pm TransIndy (Open Meeting), Room 6

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

Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	102
11:00 am Service Attendance	191
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	125
General Offering: Last Week	\$11,321
Weekly Average: Thirteen Week Average	\$8,858
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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Revelation Discipleship Course!

Do you have memories of reading the book of Revelation and being scared, confused, put off, or all three at once? In this 5-week Discipleship course, we will journey through Revelation, explore several different interpretations, unlock its mysteries, and discuss its original impact.

The course will be led by Alex Pittaway based on a similar class he recently took at Christian Theological Seminary. When we're finished, instead of fearing the book, you may just find it to be a source of peace and hope, as we discover things you've never understood before hidden deep in ancient Biblical language and symbols. We'll have guest speakers, interactive classes, and most of all a sense of adventure and fun!

The course will be on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm for five weeks starting April 4. Registrants must commit to attend all 5 sessions unless sick or out of town. There will be a \$15 registration fee due in the first class, but that fee will be waived automatically for anyone who feels financially stretched. To register, complete the response form on the back of today's bulletin.

Sittin' on the Dock of the Bay

Jill Cheviron, a member of LifeJourney, will be moving to San Francisco as she embarks on a new job opportunity. Jill served on the Global Outreach Board and was a member of the Campus Services Ministry, just to name a few. Please wish her well on her journey.



Immigrant Welcome Center
Connect. Cultivate. Succeed.

Volunteers from LifeJourney will help staff the next "Give-Away Day" for the Immigrant Welcome Center (IWC). The event is this Saturday from 9 am to noon at Wesley United Methodist Church, 3425 W. 30th Street. We will set up and monitor tables full of essential items donated to IWC and free to brand new immigrants. For more info, fill out the response form.

GIVE UP YOUR PANTS

for the Lenten Season



Still trying to decide what to sacrifice this Lent? Well consider donating a pair of your pants— or two or three. Your small sacrifice will directly benefit the homeless in Indianapolis.

All sizes of men and women pants are in short supply, please donate.

Together We Care

Do you know someone in need of care?
Contact PastorVivian@LifeJourney.church

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

RSVP and/or More Info:

- Maundy Thursday Meat at MCL Cafeteria
- Newcomer Welcome Reception
- Easter Lily (Please attach \$10 per Lily.)

Honoring: _____

- Spring Prayer Retreat Info (Deadline is today.)
- LJC Spring Family Kick Off!

Attending (including you): _____

- Revelation Discipleship Course
- Immigrant Welcome Center
- 2018 Grounds Crew

Mowing Crew and/or Landscape Crew (circle)

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

Journey Through the Bible

Journey to the Bible Oasis will not be meeting March 20. When they resume on March 27, they will begin discussing the Book of Romans. This is one of Paul's most comprehensive epistles and it can never be read or pondered too much. Come with a spirit of expectation to learn from each other. Join the discussions as they travel the Roman Road, Tuesday evenings at 7 pm in Room 6.

2018 Grounds Crew, Now Forming

The Campus Services Ministry is recruiting for the 2018 season. If you enjoy being outdoors while helping maintain the curb appeal of our church campus, this ministry may be the perfect opportunity!

- The **Mowing Crew** is comprised of many volunteers that serve once per month, typically on a Friday or Saturday, to mow and trim the grounds.
- The **Landscape Crew** is comprised of individuals (or teams) that adopt a landscaped area of the church to maintain through the season. Tasks include planting flowers, pulling weeds, fluffing mulch, and manicuring trees/shrubs.

If you would like to learn more about serving with the 2018 Grounds Crew, either on the Mowing or Landscape Crews, complete the response form and we'll be in touch.

