

Sunday Headlines

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Begins Today...

Lost Books of the Bible

1 Maccabees

Enoch

Sirach

Shepherd of Hermas

Gospel of Thomas

Acts of Paul and Thecla



Did you know there are a number of spiritual books that circulated in early churches that didn't quite make the cut to be included in the Bible—or some versions of the Bible? Many early churches regarded these books as valuable for instruction even though they were not included. As an informed believer, you should know about them! In this new sermon series we'll explore a different "lost book" of the Bible each week and consider whether and how that book can help us on our faith journey.

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, April 25 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.

Head On Down to **Main Street**

Main Street is the happen' place in the LifeJourney community! Each Sunday, it's the center-hub for children and youth programs; as you can imagine it takes a team of adults to make it thrive.

Currently, there are specific roles that need filled for **teachers** and **teacher assistants** for grades PreK through 3rd grades. The curriculum and activities are planned and ready for you to carry out.

To learn more details on these roles, complete the response form in today's bulletin. Our Family Life Minister, Chris Edwards, will connect with you this week!

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 their splendor here.

Whatever your race here,
For all of us, grace here.

Christ above us,
Christ beside us,
Christ within us.

Amen.

And They're Off...

The Campus Services Ministry's Mowing Crew made their first cut this week. But, we could still use a couple more helping hands 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. (We need three more to round out our team of 12.)
- 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.



Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:
Lost Books of the Bible

Key Verse:
“Many in Israel stood firm.” / *Maccabees 1:62.*

Order of Service

Welcome

Songs: *Everyday*
I Won't Go Back

Affirmation Poem

Connection Moment

Offering Invitation

Song: *There's a Liftin' of the Hands*

Blessing of our Offering, Gifts & Resources

Song: *I Will Rise*

Prayer

Scripture: *1 Maccabees 1:41-53*

Sermon: *Drawing A Line*
Rev. Jeff Miner

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

Closing Song: *Standing on the Promises*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, forgive me for times when I have let the tyranny of culture—or my own inner demons—pound me into submission, instead of standing on my convictions. I want to live with the courage of my ancestors in the faith. I want to live in the fullness of the freedom of Christ. When You speak, give me the courage to draw a line and take a stand. 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.

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, 9479 W Campfire Dr., Pendleton.
New Castle Oasis, 205 S 21st St., New Castle.

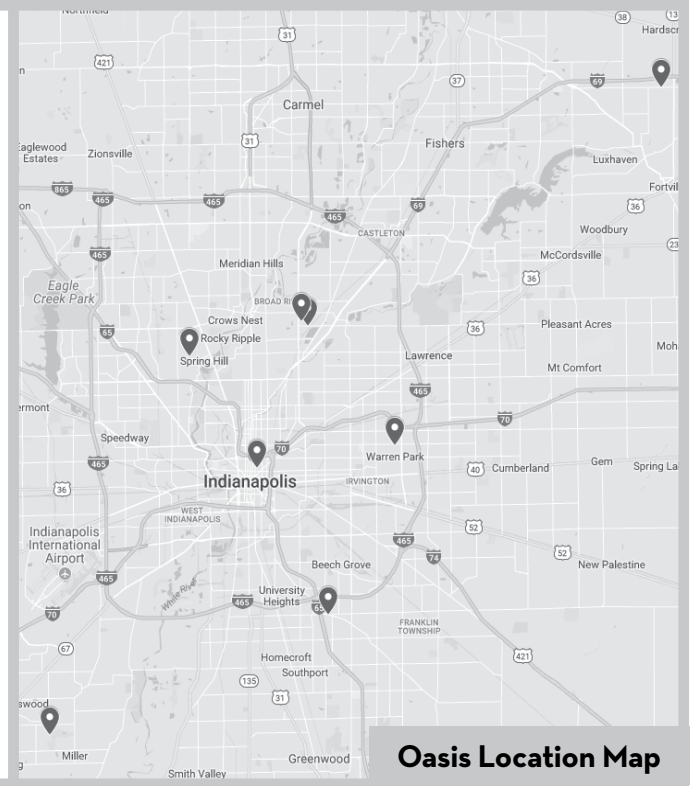
TUE: Eastside Oasis, 1440 N. Edmondson Ave., Indianapolis.

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, Room 10

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 Communion Leader Meeting, Room 7
- 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 Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm Revelation, Room 6

Thursday

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

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Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	136
11:00 am Service Attendance	243
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	105
General Offering: Last Week	\$11,780
Weekly Average: Thirteen Week Average	\$8,726
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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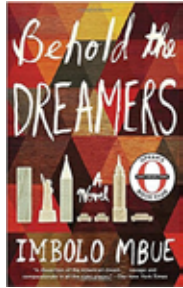
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Jason Powell
Minister of Worship Arts

Chris Edwards
Minister of Family Life

Hospitality Ministry

Our Hospitality Ministry needs some additional helping hands to prepare the refreshments served following services. There is a specific need for two people to help during the second service on the second Sunday of the month. If you'd like to lend a hand for this specific shift, or even other times, please complete the response form today.



Behold the Dreamers

The Book Club Oasis will begin, *Behold the Dreamers*, this Monday. The New York Times says, "As a dissection of the American Dream, Imbolo Mbue's first novel is savage and compassionate in all the right places."

The Book Club Oasis meets Monday evenings at 7:00 pm in Room 8.

Thank You Ceci & Michelle

For the last five months, as we've searched for our new Family Life Minister, Michelle and Ceci Spence have added seven hours a week to their already busy schedules to keep all our children's ministries coordinated. Their efforts have been an enormous blessing! Now they will resume their normal role as Student Leaders for Junior and Senior High Youth. We want to express our deepest thanks for their heroic efforts!



Senior Shenanigans

Seniors! Enjoy an evening together on Saturday, April 28, from 6-9:00 pm here at LifeJourney. Bring a game and/or appetizer to share with the group!

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

RSVP and/or More Info:

- MainStreet Helpers
- Newcomers Welcome
- Wonder Workers Neighborhood Outreach
- Hospitality
- Campus Services: Mowing / Landscape (circle)

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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



WonderWorkers Neighborhood Outreach

Do you have significant experience with construction, home repairs, painting, or landscaping? Remember "Extreme Makeovers: The Home Edition"? Imagine if our church did something similar for our less fortunate neighbors as an expression of the love of God—painting a common room at a homeless shelter, sprucing up the house of an impoverished elderly person, or cleaning up a park in a blighted neighborhood.

Our Local Outreach Board is forming a new ministry team called "WonderWorkers Neighborhood Outreach." We envision a team of handy-people with tool belts, paint brushes, mowers, shovels, and BIG HEARTS. Each quarter, we'll schedule *WonderWorker Saturdays* and gather crews to do rehab, maintenance, repair, and cleanup projects for places like the Dayspring Homeless Shelter, the Immigrant Welcome Center, and our neighbors in nearby impoverished neighborhoods.

For this to work, we'll need people with experience in construction, repairs, painting, and landscaping who can consult as experts on occasional projects. If that's you, fill out the response form and we'll be in touch to discuss opportunities!

Celebrating Samantha and Alex

In May, our two student clergy interns will graduate seminary and launch into a lifetime of pastoral ministry! Samantha Hasty will move back home to San Antonio to plant a new church called Hope Alive. Alex Pittaway will return to Australia to become senior pastor at MCC Brisbane.

As a small token of our deep appreciation to Samantha and Alex, LifeJourney Church will make a contribution on behalf of our congregation to their two new churches. We will be sending \$500 to Hope Alive and \$500 to MCC Brisbane.

If you would like to supplement these amounts by making a personal contribution to one or both churches, you will find specially printed envelopes at the Welcome Desk. All donations must be made no later than April 30 using one of the special envelopes.

Earn Money \$hopping



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.)
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