

Sunday Headlines

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Today, LifeJourney celebrates 28 years. Thank you for being part of this amazing journey! Each anniversary Sunday, we also honor and celebrate members that have reached specific anniversary milestones:

Five Year Pins

Linda Bernabie
Ben Jayne
Joe Ann Rohlman
Samantha Hasty
Ericka Daniels
Amanda Bass
Ruth Ippolito
Shanna Bass
Cindy Batt
Joe Easterling

Ten Year Pins

Geralyn Vandever
Larry Heavilon
Ronn Frizado
Teri Fields
David Wood
Greg Disney-Britton
Ernest Disney-Britton

Ten Year Pins (cont.)

Tinker Daily
Katy Quay
Jaye Blythe
Jane Glidewell
Pastor Vivian Ampy
Angela Wray

Fifteen Year Pins

Jane Adamson
Rick Rathburn
Jon Hamilton
Theresa Mull
Doody VanArsdale
Gina Walker
Jan Cornett
Donna Hays

Twenty Year Pins

Jennifer Barnes
Andrea Platt



Everyone is welcome to join the fun after church on
Sunday, September 15 from 12:30 - 3:00.

Bounce House · Pony Rides · Petting Zoo
Adult Tricycle Race · Church Photo

Hamburgers · Hotdogs · Veggie-Burgers
Register your potluck dish 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, August 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 on the back. Questions may be directed to: PastorJeff@LifeJourney.church or call the church office at (317) 722-0000 x103.

Honoring the Longevity of Our Staff

Studies show that the average tenure for a church staff member is only 2.9 years. But not at LifeJourney! Our average tenure is over 8 years. We have been blessed with staff who are committed to walking the journey with us over many years. Today we celebrate them!

Chris Edwards, *Family Life* 1.5 years
Jason Powell, *Worship Arts* 3 years
Spencer James, *Operations* 6 years
David Zier, *Discipleship* 8 years
Vivian Ampy, *Pastoral Care* 8 years
Jeff Miner, *Senior Pastor* 22 years

Baptisms Today!

Several of our congregants are being baptized by immersion later today, as a way of declaring their determination to live as followers of Jesus! Congratulations to:

Ally Boyd † Jacob Shaw III † Julia Sutton † Maria Stevens

LifeJourney Choir RE-LAUNCH

Wednesday, September 4 at 7 PM

More Info: JasonPowell@LifeJourney.church

We're Making Progress!

As you can see, progress is really picking up around our campus. Here's where our three projects stand.

- **New Restrooms:** This week, plumbing passed inspection and framing begins next week.
- **Exterior Siding:** Did you notice the new siding installation this week? Now we begin to see transformation!
- **Parking Lot Resurface:** Parking lot work is scheduled to begin after the siding is installed, so we don't have heavy truck traffic on the new asphalt.

Sunday Worship Service

Worship Theme:

Celebrating Our 28th Anniversary!

Key Verse:

“Christ . . . has broken down the dividing wall, that is the hostility between us . . . that he might create in himself one new humanity.” *Ephesians 2:14.*

Order of Service

Welcome

Affirmation Poem

Songs: *We Praise Your Name*
10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Connections

Offering Invitation

Song: *Who You Say I Am*

Blessing of Our Offerings

Song: *Le Cygne (The Swan)*

Prayer

Scripture: *Ephesians 2:11-22*

Sermon: *The Gift*
Rev. Jeff Miner

Presentation of Membership Pins

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

Song: *The Church's One Foundation*

Closing & Benediction

Our Communion With God (11:00 Service)

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, we confess that we modern Christians have become a pretty divisive lot. Forgive us. As a church and as individuals, we want to be part of the healing, part of the solution. May the love of Christ break down every barrier. May the light of Christ shine from this place. 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.

Deepening My Commitment

I feel called to deepen my commitment to the work Jesus is doing through LifeJourney in one or more of the following ways:

- I'm going to attend worship more regularly, offering the gift of my presence.
- I know someone who needs this church that I'm going to invite.
- I'd like talk to someone who can help me find the right service commitment at church.
- I want to become a regular giver, please send me info about electronic giving options.
- I'm going to get more connected by participating in an Oasis Group or Discipleship Course.

Name _____ Phone _____

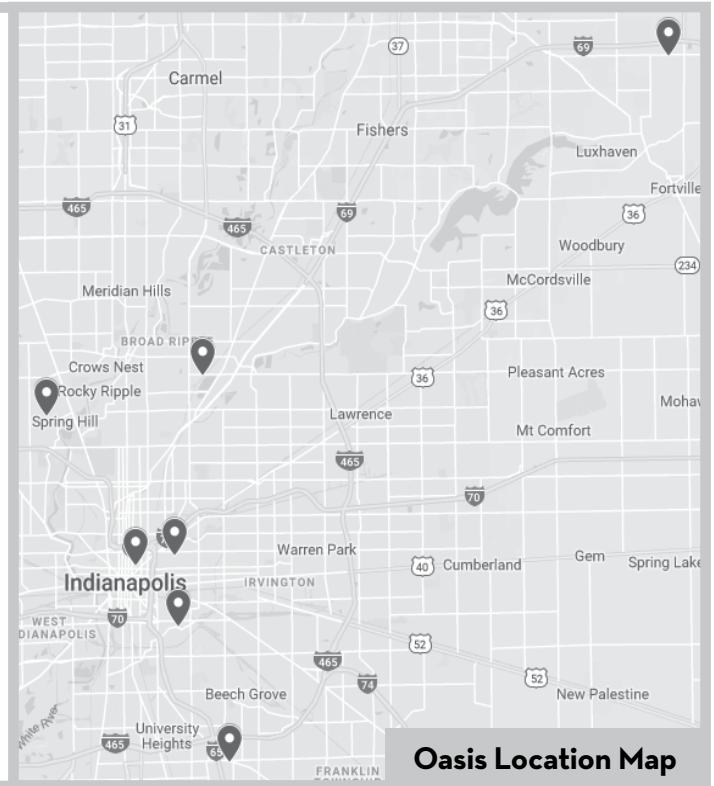
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Return this form in the offering or in the basket at the Welcome Center.

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 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.
 - 1:00 PM Discipleship 101/102, Room 7

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

- Tuesday**

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

- Thursday**
- 6:00 PM Praise Band Rehearsal, Sanctuary
 - 7:00 PM Spiritual Principles of Dating, 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
 - 3:00 PM TransIndy (Open Meeting), Room 6
 - 7:00 PM Troubadours of Divine Bliss Concert, Sanctuary

- Exceptions...**
- Mon. Book Club Oasis breaks for the Summer (Resumes August 26)

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

Last Week's Numbers...

9:30 am Service Attendance	93
11:00 am Service Attendance	190
Oasis & Discipleship Attendance	117
General Offering: Last Week	\$6,784
Weekly Average: YTD Weekly Average	\$8,573
Budget Goal: * Weekly	\$9,119

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Minister of Operations
- Jason Powell**
Minister of Worship Arts
- Chris Edwards**
Minister of Family Life

CUSEN Network Conference

LifeJourney is part of the Central US Eastern Network of Metropolitan Community Churches (MCC). Our very own Pastor David is the Leader of the CUSEN Network and recently promoted to Network Facilitator for all of the networks in the MCC denomination. *Congratulations Pastor David!*

On October 4 - 5, the CUSEN Network will be gathering at Eternal Joy MCC in Dayton, OH. Come for the weekend as MCC celebrates 50 years!

Friday evening includes a dinner, prayer, and music. Saturday includes a worship seminar, updates from MCC's recent General Conference (not to mention breakfast, lunch, worship and communion together). MCC's newly elected Moderator, Rev. Elder Cecilia Eggleston, will be present as well as one of the denominational Elders.

The Red Roof Inn group rate is \$40, the cost for Friday and Saturday registration is \$35, including meals.

For more information, pickup an information sheet at the Welcome Center or complete the response form in today's bulletin. You may also register online at <https://bit.ly/2M9O26A>.

October Prayer Retreat

LifeJourney will host the second Silent Retreat of the year on October 13 - 14. It begins Sunday afternoon at 3:00 PM and continues through Monday (Columbus Day) at 6:00 PM.

The Silent Prayer Retreat will be hosted at Fatima Retreat House on 56th Street (just down the street from the church). It is local, so travel will be minimal. *Impact can be maximal!*

The retreat includes Sunday dinner, then breakfast and lunch on Monday. The time together will conclude with an afternoon devotional and then going out for coffee together Monday, late afternoon, for a debrief and discussion. The cost is \$72 per person. This price includes meals (excludes coffee outing). Paid reservations must be submitted by October 1.

Pastor David will be available for any questions and you may also complete the response form in today's bulletin for more details. Mark your calendars now for this spiritual retreat!

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

- Newcomer Welcome Reception
- Prayer Retreat CUSEN Conference
- Discipleship Courses (circle):
 - Discipleship 101/102 • Jesus and Politics
 - Monastic Habits for Everyday Life
- Requesting Scholarship

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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Register Now Fall Discipleship Courses!

Discipleship 101/102

Thursdays from 7:00 - 8:30 pm (7 weeks). Includes two Saturday Retreats, Sept. 14 & Nov. 23, each from 9:30 - 3:30 pm. Teacher: Pastor David Zier. Registration Fee: \$40

This is our flagship course that we encourage everyone in our congregation to take at one point or another. In this course, we will take a deep dive into what it means to be a follower of Jesus, experiment with different ways of praying and engaging the Bible, explore what it means to be part of a church community, and make some wonderful new friends in the process! As an added bonus, once you've completed this course, you're eligible to become a voting member of LifeJourney if you wish.

Monastic Habits for Everyday Life

Thursdays from 6:30 - 8:00 pm, Oct. 10 - Nov. 21. Teacher: Pastor Chris Edwards. Registration fee \$20.

Learn how monastic practices can be integrated into the everyday life of the modern Christian. These daily habits can enrich your spiritual life and guide you toward a closer walk with Christ. We will cover topics like the liturgical calendar, lectionaries, Lectio Divina, centering prayer, prayer beads, the Daily Examen, labyrinths, retreat, holy wandering, anamcharas/soul friends, and much more. Discussions will focus on how you can adapt these practices to your own busy life. Each session will include guided practice through one of the covered habits. In addition to serving as our Family Life Minister, Pastor Chris is also a member of a dispersed monastic community with the Celtic Church.

Jesus and Politics

Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:30 pm, Sept. 18 - Nov. 6. Teacher: Pastor Jeff Miner. Registration fee \$20.

We will explore how Jesus dealt with hot political issues in his time and consider how our faith informs our position on a variety of hot-button contemporary issues like prolife or prochoice, immigration, gun policy, taxation/government spending/deficits, racism and multiculturalism, environment, Republican or Democrat or beyond. We will explore these issues from all viewpoints, looking at the Scriptures relevant to each issue. The goal is not to all agree on the "right" answers, but to help each of us grow our own understanding, while engaging in open, honest, loving conversations.

Registrants convent to attend all sessions unless ill or out of town. Fees are listed in the course description and will be collected at the first class meeting, but scholarships are readily available and may be requested on the response form to the right.