

LifeJourney CHURCH

Annual Congregational Meeting. Sunday February 8, at 12:45 pm in the sanctuary, right after 11:00 o'clock worship service. If you're a voting Member, please be there. Non-members are also welcome!

We'll pray for you... Deacons are available for individual prayer or blessing after the 11 am service at the front of the Sanctuary.

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Deepest Thanks to Joe Hardesty

In November, a beloved member of our congregation, Joe Hardesty, passed away. In his estate planning, Joe decided he wanted to leave his home to the church. The first realtor we talked to about the value of the home happened to have a client who wanted it. So we were able to sell Joe's home without even listing it. After paying off the mortgage, the church received a net payment of about \$12,000 from the sale. The Board has reserved these funds for use in a major media campaign this year that will share the good news about our wonderful, unique church with many, many people. Joe would have been passionate about that. We know he smiling down from heaven. And we want to express our deepest thanks for his overflowing generosity! Because of his generosity, many people will be able to connect to our church and be spiritually transformed.

COUPLES RETREAT

Waycross Camp and Conference Center
April 24-26 (weekend event)

This retreat is a great time for couples to **reconnect**, have special **time away**, **learn about each other**, and to have **loads of laughs** with other church couples. There is also the option for additional activities like **archery**, **canoeing**, and the **climbing wall/zip line**.

The registration fee of \$450 per couple includes all meals, rooms, and conference workshops. Payments for the retreat may be made in three installments or one lump sum.

Please register through the response form in today's bulletin

2014 Giving Statements Ready!

If you gave to the church last year, be sure to pick up your annual giving statement, so you have documentation for your taxes. Your statement is at the Info Kiosk, alphabetized by last name. Please grab it today to save us the cost of postage!



healthier LIVING
Sundays • 12:45-2:15 PM • Room 6
Still going strong!

Media Technology

Do you enjoy combining art with technology? Do the skills and tools used in multimedia production excite you? Do any keywords like audio, video, lighting, graphics, photos, print, web design, or animation peak your interest? If so, Spencer, our Director of Communications & Technology wants to hear from you! He is creating a database of persons within our church that have related skills and may be interested in assisting with special projects in 2015.

Additionally, there is an immediate opening for individuals interested in audio. Volunteers have potential to assist with audio production for special projects and/or worship services.

Let him know you're interested in media technology projects by using the response in today's bulletin.

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Subscribe by email at: LifeJourneyChurch.cc/connect

HELLO... I AM

Are you new to LifeJourney within the past six months (or even today)? If so, you're invited to a casual reception in your honor (snacks included) **this Tuesday 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 of today's bulletin. Questions may be directed to: Info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc or call the church office at (317) 722-0000. See you there!

Order of Service

Worship Theme: Mastering Your Mind

Key Verse: “Jesus began to show to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering. . . . Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, ‘God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you!’” *Matthew 16:21.*

Our Approach To God

Connection Moment

Song: *This Is The Day*

Song: *Mighty To Save*

Prayer

Song: *Worthy*

Special Music: *Something In The Water*
Victoria Patterson with Brittany Pierce

God’s Word To Us

Scripture: *Matthew 16:13-23*

Sermon: *The Problem With Positive Thinking*
Rev. Jeff Miner

Offering our Gifts and Resources

Our Communion With God • 11:00 am service

Sending Song

Benediction

Postlude

Our Communion With God • 11:00 am service

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, there have been times when I’ve confused “positive thinking” with “wishful thinking,” and I have pursued my dreams in unrealistic ways – then crashed and burned. Give me the wisdom and courage to balance my dreams with careful assessment and realistic planning, so that I will be able to live into the fullness of Your hopes for me. 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. You’re also welcome to just observe, if you prefer. 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.

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 info kiosk.

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 in the back half of the left section.*





About this Calendar

Online Calendar — LifeJourneyChurch.cc/Calendar

Events are open to all — rare exceptions will be noted.

Questions? Inquire at the info kiosk, see any staff member, or email Info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc.

① Notates Oasis groups participating in the **Diversity Discussion Series**.

Sunday, January 25

9:30 am **Early Worship Service.**

9:30 am **LJC Kids!** (Age 2-5th grade), Main St. Station (Rm 1-4).

11:00 am **Morning Worship Service.**

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 (Rm 10).

Youth are released from the Sanctuary before the sermon.

12:45 pm **Black History Month Choir Rehearsal**, Sanctuary.

12:45 pm **Healthier Living**, Room 6.

1:00 pm **Sunday Fun-Day (of Games)**, Social Hall.

Monday, January 26

① 7:00 pm **Grief Workshop**, Room 7.

7:00 pm **Northeast Oasis** meets at the home of Burns Gutzwiller & Nathan Tuttle, 207 W. Staat St., Fortville.

Info: Linda Bernabie at (419)297-7576 or lbernabie@hotmail.com

7:30 pm **AA Meeting**, Room 6.

Tuesday, January 27

7:00 pm **Newcomers Welcome Reception**, Room 6.

7:00 pm **Southwest Oasis** meets at the A1 Japanese Steak House, Mooresville. (All are welcome)

Info: Randy King at reckking@aol.com

7:00 pm **Tuesday Evening Oasis**, Room 9.

Info: Jim Rednour at (765)388-0256 or jrednour@hotmail.com

7:00 pm **Westside Oasis** meets at the home of Jackie Harris, 4465 Cloverlake Dr., Indianapolis.

Info: Pastor David at PastorDavid@LifeJourneyChurch.cc or Bambi Alridge at musiqstorm42@yahoo.com

7:00 pm **Young Adult Oasis**, Room 6.

Info: Graham Melendez at grahammelendez06@gmail.com or Samantha Hasty-Zander at samjzander@gmail.com

Wednesday, January 28

① 6:30 pm **Family Oasis**, Room 6.

Info: Melody Merida at (317)722-0000 x102 or PastorMelody@LifeJourneyChurch.cc

6:30 pm **LJC Kids! Oasis**, Room 2.

Info: Melody Merida at (317)722-0000 x102 or PastorMelody@LifeJourneyChurch.cc

6:30 pm **Praise Team Rehearsal**, Worship Arts Room.

① 7:00 pm **Eastside Oasis** meets at the home of Monica Law, 1440 N. Edmundson Ave., Indianapolis.

Info: Vivian Wyatt at (317)722-0000 x106 or PastorVivian@LifeJourneyChurch.cc

7:45 pm **Choir Rehearsal**, Sanctuary.

Thursday, January 29

7:00 pm **Discipleship 101** (Registration Required), Room 6.

7:00 pm **Garfield Park Oasis** meets at the home of Tex Green & Jerry Dowell, 615 E. Southern Ave., Indianapolis.

Info: Jared Hancock at hancockjsh@yahoo.com

① 7:00 pm **Greenwood Oasis** meets at the home of Virgene & Tina Cline, 1049 Springwater Circle, Greenwood.

Info: Norma Edwards at normaedwards1976@gmail.com, or Cynthia Hudson at kindns1234@gmail.com

7:00 pm **Instrumentalist Rehearsal**, Sanctuary.

① 7:00 pm **Northside Oasis** meets at the home of Jody Bracken, 11249 Woodcreek Drive, Carmel.

Info: Jeff Miner at (317)722-0000 x103 or PastorJeff@LifeJourneyChurch.cc

7:00 pm **Northwest Oasis** meets at the home of Robert Ferguson, 3637 Catalpa Ave, Indianapolis.

Info: Robert Ferguson at rob1ferg@yahoo.com or Genese Parker at gp4justice@gmail.com

① 7:00 pm **Thursday Evening Oasis**, Room 9.

Info: Larry Heavilon at larryheavilon@hotmail.com or (317)523-4543

Friday, January 30

6:30 pm **Women's AA Meeting**, Room 6.

Saturday, January 31

12:00 am **Laser Tag Lock-In (age 18+)**, Laser Flash.

Exceptions...

Tues. **Southwest Oasis** meets at the A1 Japanese Steak House, Mooresville. (All are welcome).

Coming Soon...

Feb 7 **Annual LJC's Got Talent Show**, Sanctuary.

Feb 8 **Annual Congregational Meeting at 12:45 pm.**

Last Week's Numbers

Early Service Attendance	142
Morning Service Attendance	267
Oasis Attendance	160 *
General Offering: Last Week	\$12,395
General Offering: Three-Month Average	\$11,181
General Offering: Average Goal	\$9,503

* Record-setting Oasis attendance this past week.
32+ new Oasis members over the month of January!



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David Zier, Pastor

Melody Merida, Pastor

Jeff Miner, Pastor

Shellye Bradford, Minister of
Worship Arts

Spencer James, Director of
Communications & Technology

Choose YOUR Perfect Oasis

Oasis is the best way to connect and make friends at church—small groups that meet regularly for friendship, support, study, and prayer.

Monday

Northeast Oasis

Tuesday

Southwest Oasis
Tuesday Evening Oasis
Young Adult Oasis
Westside Oasis

Wednesday

Eastside Oasis
Family Oasis
LJC Kids! Oasis

Thursday

Garfield Park Oasis
Greenwood Oasis
Northside Oasis
Northwest Oasis
Thursday Evening Oasis

Duckpin Dinner

Garfield Park & Greenwood Oasis

This Saturday in Fountain Square

Dinner: Shelby Smokehouse at 5:30 pm

Duckpin Bowling: Action & Atomic at 7:00 pm

All are welcome, RSVP: hancockjsh@yahoo.com

Are You the Missing Piece?

The LJC Kids! Ministry is growing like gangbusters! In order to give our very best to the kids who are part of our church family, we need you to complete our puzzle. You don't need to be as polished as Mary Poppins or a Bible scholar like your old Sunday School teacher, you just need to be willing to hang out with some awesome kids for an hour or two a month. The team will support you and give you everything you need. And we have lots of age groups to work with: 2 and 3 year olds, Kindergartners, 3rd graders, junior high, and high school aged kids. If you want more information about LJC Kids, complete the interest form.



**You're invited to see amazing feats of talent!
Saturday, February 7 at 7:00 pm**

Want to see a VIDEO of the sermon again?

- LifeJourneyChurch.cc/listen

Take the AUDIO version with you!

- Order a Sermon CD at the bookstore or
- Search iTunes for "Sermons from LifeJourney Church"



Nominating Committee Report

Our Annual Congregational Meeting will occur on Sunday, February 8, at 12:45 pm in the sanctuary. At the meeting, we'll review and adopt a 2015 budget and vote to fill five open Board of Directors positions. Information packets will be available next week. Our church bylaws require a Nominating Committee to ensure that at least one well-qualified candidate has been nominated for each open position. The committee (consisting of Dale Betts, Carla Peck, Jennifer Barnes, and Pastor Jeff) has met and nominated the following existing Board members for reelection to another term: Todd Cox, Sheryl Holko, Donna Hays, and Jon Hamilton. Each has served with great faithfulness and distinction.

Meanwhile, Kristen Actis-Grande has decided not to stand for re-election because of her increasingly busy travel schedule for her job. We thank Kristen for years of wonderful service! In her place, the Nominating Committee has nominated Crystal Allen. Crystal is a deeply spiritual person who will bring great insight to the Board. She is also a CPA and will bring strong financial and analytical skills.

Under our bylaws, members are allowed to self-nominate as well. If you would like to self-nominate, please send a request for the self-nomination packet (deadline today) to:

PastorJeff@LifeJourneyChurch.cc

Respond and get more info about these articles:

- ☐ Newcomer's Welcome Reception
- ☐ LJC Kids! Volunteer
- ☐ Media Technology Skills
- ☐ Couples Retreat; We will register with:

___ Lump Sum \$450

___ Installments Due 2/8, 3/8, 4/12

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Return this form in the offering or in the basket at the info kiosk.