

Upcoming Events: Make a Connection

Singles' Dinner & Duckpin Bowling

Attention Singles: Who likes to bowl? Now who likes to *Duckpin* Bowl? Come join us in Fountain Square for 90 minutes of fun-filled bowling on **Saturday, February 11 at 8:00 pm**. The cost is \$7.00 per person for both bowlers and non-bowlers. We will have dinner at Smokehouse on Shelby at 6:00 pm, and you can come for one or both activities. Space is limited so please reserve your spot today! You can email donnmartin12003@gmail.com, call Donna Martin at (317) 407-4611, or fill out the form.

Winter Escape for Families

Let's shake off our winter doldrums together at **Snapperz Family Fun Center!** Snapperz in Carmel features 33,000 square feet of fun for the whole family. It's the perfect place for kids to play while the adults get some good grown up socializing.

They have soft structure play units, laser tag, climbing walls, bumper cars, bowling, bungee trampoline, games, food, and a toddler area for the little ones. Families of all ages are invited to join in the fun **Saturday, February 11, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm**. The cost is \$10 for children ages 4-17, \$3 for children ages 2 and 3, and free for adults and children under 2. Admission gets you four hours of fun on the main attractions (the inflatables and the soft structure play units). Other attractions and food are extra. Please complete the form if your family will be attending the winter escape.

Our 2012 Congregational Meeting

will be **Sunday, February 12, at 12:45 pm**, following the 11:00 am worship service. Information packets are available at the info kiosk today.

Ministry Team Leader Appreciation

Our ministry teams do so much for the community and for our church family; now we want to say "thank you" to the leaders of those teams! On **Sunday, February 19**, following the 11:00 am service, the pastoral staff will host an **appreciation lunch** for all active ministry team leaders. Please plan to attend so that we can show you our appreciation and share with you some thoughts on the future. Complete the form so that we can plan appropriately for food service.

I/we would like to register for:

- Winter Escape for Families
 Singles' Dinner and/or Singles' Duckpin Bowling
 Ministry Team Leader Appreciation Lunch

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

2011 Donation Statements

Donation statements for 2011 are available today at the info kiosk. Please pick up your form so we can save the cost of postage. If you have questions about your statement, please contact treasurer@LifeJourneyChurch.cc.

New to LifeJourney Church? Be our guest!

If you're new to LifeJourney Church within the past six months or so (or even if today is your first Sunday!) we invite you to a **Welcome Reception** at the church tomorrow, **Monday, January 30 at 7:00 pm**. The reception is casual and will include snacks and dessert. We'll get acquainted, share stories and info, and answer any questions you have. **If you've wondered, "Is LifeJourney Church the right place for me? What resources are available? How do I fit in and make friends?" then this reception is for you!**

RSVP with the form at right. **If you have questions**, contact the church office at info@lifejourneychurch.cc or (317) 722-0000.

Newcomer's Welcome Reception, tomorrow

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

Order of Service • January 29, 2012

Worship Theme: How To Build A Life That Matters

Key Verse: Let's not grow weary in well doing, for we will reap at the right time, if we don't give up. *Galatians 6:9*

Our Approach To God

Prelude: *Our God*

Praise Songs and Prayer: *This Is the Day, O Lamb of God I Come, Once Again*

Connection Opportunities

God's Word To Us

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 27:1-9

Anthem: Julie Lang

Sermon: *Unremarkably Remarkable*, by Jeff Miner

Offering our Gifts and Resources: *Jesus Paid It All*

Our Communion With God

Silent Confession

General Confession: God, too often I have invested all my energy fighting the wrong things and building the wrong things. Forgive me. Help me to get really clear about what You're calling me to build and what You're calling me to fight. Then give me strength to stick with it. 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 members.

Ushers will release the rows and direct you to a server. The server will offer you the wafer dipped in juice with a short prayer. After receiving the elements, please 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.

After all are Served the Elements

Rise and sing *God of This City*.

Benediction

Postlude

Deacons will be at the front of the sanctuary after service for any who wish to pray.

Notes

Webcast Reminder: The morning services are recorded for our webcast, and crowd shots are included. To improve the quality of those shots, we'd like to fill the center section of seating. *If you don't want to be on camera, just sit in the back half of the east section (near the media booth).*

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.

About this Calendar

Events are open to all – the only exceptions are *SoulShift* classes, which require advance registration.

For more info, inquire at the info kiosk, see any staff member or ministry team leader, or contact the office at info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc.

Sunday, January 29

- 9:30 am **Early Worship Service.**
11:00 am **Morning Worship Service.**
11:30 am **The Bridge 2.0** (junior high / middle school), Room 7, and **Teen Life**, Room 5. Youth and teens are released from the sanctuary before the sermon.
12:45 pm **Oasis Leader's Meeting**, Room 2.

Monday, January 30

- 7:00 pm **Couples' Oasis**, Room 6. Info: Doug Snow at douglassnow@yahoo.com.
7:00 pm **Following Jesus: Discipleship 101 SoulShift Class**, Room 1.
7:00 pm **Newcomer's Welcome Reception**, Room 4. If you're new to LifeJourney Church, this time is for you! Info on page one.
7:30 pm **AA Meeting**, Room 2.

Tuesday, January 31

- 7:00 pm **[going deeper] Tuesday Evening Oasis**, Room 2. Info: Jim Rednour at (765) 388-0256.

Wednesday, February 1

- 7:00 pm **Choir Rehearsal**, Room 1. Info: Mark Brown at mbrown@lifejourneychurch.cc or (317) 722-0000 × 104.

Thursday, February 2

- 7:00 pm **[going deeper] Close Encounters of the Heart Oasis**, Room 6. Info: Larry Heavilon, larryheavilon@hotmail.com or (317) 523-4543.
7:00 pm **Instrumentalists Rehearsal**, sanctuary. Info: Mark Brown at mbrown@lifejourneychurch.cc or (317) 722-0000 × 104.
7:00 pm **Jesus Seekers Oasis** meets at the home of Roger Brown. Info: See Chuck Levi or call Roger at (317) 446-5604.
7:00 pm **[going deeper] L³: Love Looks Like Oasis**, Room 2. Info: Tommy Chittenden at tommychittenden@gmail.com or (317) 966-0284. L³ hosts **Exploring What I Believe: An Overview of Christian Theology SoulShift class**.
7:00 pm **Spiritual Principles for Dating SoulShift Class**, Room 1.
7:00 pm **Weigh 2 Go** weight loss support group, Room 7. Info: Stacy Cook at scook001@indy.rr.com.

Friday, February 3

- 9:00 am **[going deeper] Friday Morning Oasis**, Room 4. Info: Beulah Bragg, (317) 924-2488 or mzbees@att.net.
7:30 pm **Women's AA Meeting**, Room 2.

Saturday, February 4

- 10:30 am **Praise Team Practice**, sanctuary.

Coming Soon

- Feb 11 **Singles' Dinner and Duckpin Bowling**. Info on page one.
Feb 11 **Winter Escape for Families**. Info on page one.
Feb 12 **Congregational Meeting**, 12:45 pm in the sanctuary.
Feb 19 **Ministry Team Leader Lunch**. Info on page one.
Feb 22 **Ash Wednesday**.

Last Week's Numbers

Early Service Attendance	152
Morning Service Attendance	242
Other Events Attendance	135
General Offering	\$7,871
General Offering: Three Month Average	\$9,212
General Offering Average <i>Goal</i>	\$9,554

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Welcome to LifeJourney Church!

*Married, divorced, or single here,
It's one family that mingles here.*

*Conservative or liberal here,
We've all gotta give a little here.*

Big or small here, there's room for us all here.

Doubt or believe here, we all can receive here.

*Gay, trans, or straight here,
there's no hate here.*

Woman or man here, everyone can here.

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

Coming Soon: Play Dates!

If you are the parent of a baby or toddler you know how important it is to have play dates — for you and for your little one! Because there are so many families connecting to our church we want to provide a space for those play dates. **Beginning February 7 at 10:00 am**, the church will host a **monthly Play Date on the first Tuesday of the month**. This is a chance for parents to connect while their little ones play. We hope to see your family on Tuesday, February 7 at 10:00 am! Registration is not required. Contact Melody Merida for more information: mmerida@LifeJourneyChurch.cc or (317) 722-0000 x 102.

Spring Couples' Retreat

Spring is the season of renewal. What a perfect time to renew your relationship with a weekend retreat! This will be a time away to focus on your relationship and to enjoy the company of other couples from the church.

We'll gather at the beautiful **Waycross Retreat Center** in the woods of Brown County. The all-inclusive cost for the weekend of April 20 – 22 is \$365 per couple, which includes a private room, full meal service, a 24-hour beverage bar, and access to 400 acres of hiking trails and lakes, labyrinths, and sports equipment and fields.

Our agenda for the weekend will include social and spiritual activities in a large group as well as quiet alone time for every couple.

Registration is open through February 5 but space is limited! If enclosing payment with your registration *please give payment directly to Pastor Melody Merida*. Checks can be made payable to LifeJourney Church with a note "Couples Retreat."

Couples' Retreat

We will pay in three installments: \$122 non-refundable deposit by Sunday, February 5; \$122 second payment by Sunday, February 26, and \$121 final payment by Sunday, March 18.

We have enclosed payment in full.

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

If you're including a payment, please give this form and payment directly to Pastor Melody Merida!

Upcoming Children & Family Events

It can be hard to coordinate all the activities of a busy family! We want to help by getting children and family ministry info to you as early as possible. Mark your calendars now!

- **Annual Easter Egg Hunt:** April 7, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm
- **Graduation Sunday:** June 10, morning services
- **Vacation Bible School:** June 11 to 15, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm
- **Camp Forust:** July 8 to 13
- **Family Camp:** August 31 to September 3

More info and registration will be made available closer to the dates. Contact Melody Merida if you have questions: (317) 722-0000 or mmerida@LifeJourneyChurch.cc.

Upcoming Election: Board of Directors

We have three Board of Directors positions open for election at our February 12 Congregational Meeting. Consistent with our bylaws, we have formed a Nominating Committee to recommend candidates for the open positions. A notice was also placed in the *Weekly News* in November inviting individuals interested in being nominated to step forward.

Two of the three Board members whose positions are up for election, Todd Cox and Sheryl Holko, are willing to continue serving and the Committee is pleased to renominate them. A third Board member, Tony Benner, has served for almost 12 years. He's now ready for a rest, and we celebrate and honor Tony's service!

At the congregational meeting, the Directors will propose that we increase the size of the Board from 9 to 10, with two positions for finance — Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer. For these positions, we are nominating Jon Hamilton and Donna Hays. Jon is a long-time member of our church who runs an accounting company. Donna is a long-time member who has served as the Missions Board Treasurer.

Our bylaws provide that **individuals may also self-nominate**. Please pick up the form at the info kiosk if you wish to do so. **Forms must be returned to the basket at the kiosk TODAY, Sunday, January 29.**

Recycle Newspapers and Junk Mail

You've probably seen the green and yellow dumpster in the upper parking lot. It's for **paper recycling**, and we receive payment for the paper.

Continue to bring in your newspapers, magazines, office paper, and junk mail! Please note that we can't take cardboard, food wrappers, or any type of plastic.