

## Animal Ministry Re-imagined

Cathy Copass, a long-term member of the Animal Ministry Team, has stepped forward to lead the Team. There are exciting plans in the works, including increasing our support to the Humane Society.

The work we're able to do there saves the lives of dogs who may not get another chance. Our work also blesses the families who adopt them as a beloved new family member. We hope to expand our outreach to include cats at the Humane Society.

We also assist with dog training and adoption assistance with Lucky Dog Retreat Rescue to place families and dogs together.

Plans for growth are being reimagined! Please join Cathy Copass **today after the 11:00 am service in room 2** for an interest meeting about the re-imagined Animal Ministry, and how you can be a blessing to these beloved pets.

## 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.*

## New to LifeJourney Church?

- Stop by the **guest table** in the social hall after worship to chat with a Pastor or Deacon. Just look for the sign.
- Once a month, we offer a **Newcomer's Welcome Reception**. Our next one is April 23. More info and registration available in the *Weekly News* soon.

## Endowment Options Announced

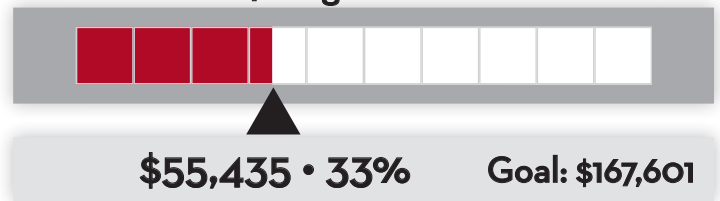
Today we're rolling out options for endowment donations to our Pioneer 4 Campaign. If you'd like to consider permanently endowing a room in honor of someone special in your life, take a look at the insert in today's Weekly News.

As you walked into church today, you probably noticed the new display in the social hall that will help us track our Pioneer 4 progress. The goal is to raise \$167,601 to create a new wing of five classrooms for our rapidly growing children's ministry, while also making some other adjustments to our building to accommodate growth. As of today, we're one-third of the way to our goal! As we continue making progress toward the goal, you'll see the children on the display wall gradually "come alive"!

If you would like to make a pledge, you can either complete the enclosed endowment form or a blank pledge form at the info kiosk.

Deepest thanks to Shellye Bradford and Winnie Wainscott for designing and creating the new wall!

## Great Pioneer 4 Progress



## New Oasis Forming on West Side

Soon, we'll be launching a new Oasis on the **far west side of town outside I-465**. We already have a leader, but need a home to host the group. Oasis groups are the lifeblood of our church. They offer us the chance to have life-giving spiritual conversations and build strong friendships. We have lots of folks who live on the far west side and need a close-by Oasis. Hosting is a wonderful way to serve God.

**Do you live in Avon, Plainfield, Danville, or thereabouts?**

Would you be willing to open your home to this new Oasis? We are flexible on what night of the week the group will meet. All we need is someone who has a living room or family room that will seat up to 15 (with folding chairs). If you would like more information about hosting, please fill out the response form on the back page and we'll give you a call.

# Order of Service

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**Worship Theme:** Honoring Our Differences

**Key Scripture:** “To the weak I became weak.” I Corinthians 9:22

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## Our Approach To God

**Connection Moment, Prayer and Song:** *Evidence of Love*

**Congregational Songs and Prayer:** *Draw Me Close, Breathe*

## God’s Word To Us

**Scripture:** I Corinthians 8:1-11 and 9:19-23

**Song:** *Freedom*

**Sermon:** *Making Myself Weak*, by Brent Walsh

**Offering our Gifts and Resources**

## Our Communion With God • 11:00 am service

### Silent Confession

**General Confession:** God, too many times I have assumed that my way is the right way, and everybody else is wrong. Forgive me. May I humble myself and be respectful of other believers who see things differently. Thank you that we can learn from our differences. 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.

**Sending Song:** *We Will Stand*

### Benediction

### Postlude

## Notes

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**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 – rare exceptions will be noted.

**Questions?** Inquire at the info kiosk, see any staff member, or email [info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc](mailto:info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc).

### Sunday, April 7

- 9:30 am **Early Worship Service.**  
11:00 am **Morning Worship Service.**  
11:30 am **The Bridge** (junior high / middle school), Room 7. Youth are released from the sanctuary before the sermon.  
12:45 pm **Animal Ministry Interest Meeting**, Room 2.  
1:00 pm **LifeJourney Pastoral Training**, Room 8.  
6:30 pm **Anderson Oasis.** Info: Melody Merida, [mmerida@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:mmerida@lifejourneychurch.cc) or (317) 722-0000 × 102.

### Monday, April 8

- 7:00 pm **Northeast Oasis** meets at the home of Burns Gutzwiller and Nathan Tuttle, 207 W. Staat St., Fortville. Info: Brent Walsh at [walsh.brent@yahoo.com](mailto:walsh.brent@yahoo.com).  
7:30 pm **AA Meeting**, Room 1.

### Tuesday, April 9

- 7:00 pm **Board of Directors**, Room 4.  
7:00 pm **Missions Board Meeting**, Room 2.  
7:00 pm **Tuesday Evening Oasis**, Room 6. Info: Jim Rednour at (765) 388-0256.  
7:00 pm **Westside Oasis** meets at the home of Jackie Harris, 4465 Cloverlake Dr., Indianapolis 46228. Info: David Zier at (317) 722-0000 × 105 or [dzier@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:dzier@lifejourneychurch.cc).

### Wednesday, April 10

- 6:30 pm **Children's Choir**, Room 1.  
6:30 pm **Family Oasis**, Room 6. Info: Melody Merida, [mmerida@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:mmerida@lifejourneychurch.cc) or (317) 722-0000 × 102.  
7:00 pm **Choir Rehearsal**, sanctuary. Info: Richard Ramsey, [rramsey@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:rramsey@lifejourneychurch.cc) or (317) 722-0000 × 107.  
7:00 pm **Eastside Oasis** meets at the home of Tina Sherrard, 7174 East 13th St. Info: Vivian Wyatt at (317) 722-0000 × 106 or [vw Wyatt@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:vw Wyatt@lifejourneychurch.cc).  
7:00 pm **Young Adults Oasis**, Room 2. Info: Katrina Davis, [katrina.davis@gmail.com](mailto:katrina.davis@gmail.com).

### Thursday, April 11

- 7:00 pm **Northside Oasis** meets at the home of Jody Brackin, 11249 Woodcreek Drive, Carmel. Info: Jeff Miner at (317) 722-0000 × 103 or [pastorjeff@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:pastorjeff@lifejourneychurch.cc).  
7:00 pm **Singles Oasis** meets at the home of Robert Ferguson, 3637 Catalpa Ave. Info: Robert at [rob1ferg@yahoo.com](mailto:rob1ferg@yahoo.com) or co-leader Genese Parker at [gp4justice@gmail.com](mailto:gp4justice@gmail.com).  
7:00 pm **Southside Oasis** meets at Tex Green and Jerry Dowell's home, 615 East Southern Ave, Indianapolis. Info: Email Jerry at [jdowell.65@hotmail.com](mailto:jdowell.65@hotmail.com) or co-leader Jared Hancock at [hancockjsh@yahoo.com](mailto:hancockjsh@yahoo.com), or call Tex and Jerry's home at (317) 786-0517.  
7:00 pm **Thursday Evening Oasis**, Room 1. Info: Larry Heavilon at [larryheavilon@hotmail.com](mailto:larryheavilon@hotmail.com) or (317) 523-4543.

### Friday, April 12

- 9:00 am **Friday Morning Oasis**, Room 4. Info: Beulah Bragg, (317) 924-2488 or [mzbees@att.net](mailto:mzbees@att.net).  
6:30 pm **Women's AA Meeting**, Room 2.

### Saturday, April 13

- 10:00 am **Guatemala Team Training** meets at the home of Burns Gutzwiller, 207 W. Staat St., Fortville.  
10:30 am **Praise Team Practice**, sanctuary.  
11:00 am **Animal Ministry volunteers at the Indianapolis Humane Society.** Info: Sarah Addison, [sarahaddison05@hotmail.com](mailto:sarahaddison05@hotmail.com).

### Coming Soon

- Apr 19 **Friday Night Praise!** 7:00 pm.

### Last Week's Numbers

Early Service Attendance	202
Morning Service Attendance	325
Oasis Attendance	99
General Offering	\$13,375
General Offering: Three Month Average	\$9,816
General Offering Average <i>Goal</i>	\$9,900

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## Jr. High Kids “Caring for Families”

Our Junior High students would like our **help providing much needed supplies for the Dayspring Center for homeless families.** Their “Caring for Families” program is in need of the following items:

- new bath towels, new wash cloths, new twin sheets, new pillow cases, new pillows, new blankets
- hot sauce-5oz or larger, ketchup, mustard & barbecue sauce, ramen noodles
- Clorox clean-up, laundry soap, bar and hand soaps, skin lotion-8oz or larger
- pull-ups all sizes, disposable diapers especially sizes 4, 5 & 6, baby wipes, baby wash, baby oil, baby powder, children’s underwear especially boys boxers
- Advil and Aleve, cold medicine, Pepcid, feminine hygiene products
- gas cards

**No other items can be accepted.** So please do not put items in the bin that are not on this list. When you bring items, just place them in the big brown bin located at the Missions Wall in the social hall. The list of needed items is also posted on the bin. If you have any questions, please see one of our Junior High students or their ministry leader, Deacon Randy King. Let’s help our kids help those who are in greatest need. Thank you for your generosity!

## Ministers on a Riding Mower

When a guest visits LifeJourney Church for the first time, first impressions are made long before she or he hears any music or takes part in a class. When our building and grounds are well-maintained, it conveys that we take our work for God seriously.

**The Mowing Team is responsible for part of that essential work, and would welcome additional volunteers.** If you are a behind-the-scenes type person, this may be a perfect place for you. Team members serve about once a month for a few hours. Please fill out the form below if you’re interested.

## Westside Oasis Location Change

**Beginning this week, our Westside Oasis has a new meeting location.** We’re moving just a few blocks to the home of Jackie Harris at 4465 Cloverlake Dr., Indianapolis IN 46228 - near the intersection of I-65 and Kessler. We want to thank Dan Allis and Steve Adams for being such gracious hosts for our first year. If you live on the northwest side of town, please join us on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm.

## Codependency Therapy Group

Are you interested in joining a **supportive group of people dedicated to working on relationship and family issues?** Our Codependency Therapy Group meets at the church on Monday nights. It is facilitated by Sarah Niven who holds an MS in Pshchotherapy and Faith from Christian Theological Seminary. This is not a drop-in group. For info, please contact Sarah at sarahnevin@mac.com.

## Temple Keepers

Have you ever considered how important all of the “behind the scenes” work at our church is? When a guest visits for the first time, impressions are made long before they hear any music or take part in a class. When our building is well-maintained, that conveys that we are committed to excellence and take our work for God seriously.

Unlike many churches, we don’t pay for cleaning services. Volunteers do it all! We save thousands of dollars each year that then gets channeled into other ministry. **The Temple Keepers** are responsible for this essential work. Each team member serves about once a month. Fill out the form below if you’re interested.

**Response Form:** check your area of interest

I’d like info about hosting an Oasis.

I’d like info about the Mowing Team.

I’d like info about Temple Keepers.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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