

Focus Groups Begin Today!

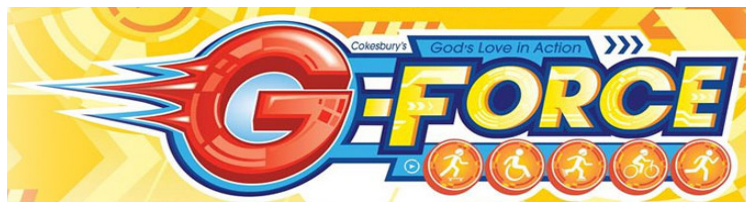
In the past few weeks, in preparation for the fall media campaign, we've been planning to host two focus groups. If you'd like to participate, please show up today or Tuesday, depending on which group fits you best. The first group meets today!

Young adults, today at 12:45 pm, Room 6

Straight adults, Tuesday at 6:30 pm, Room 7

These focus groups will give us a chance to brainstorm with you about how to best reach more young adults and straight people. As we do so, please keep a few things in mind:

- The media message we develop will focus on explaining authentically who LifeJourney is and inviting all who feel drawn to that. The message will not be designed to speak only to one or two narrow demographic groups.
- We are holding focus groups with young adults and straight adults because they are two underrepresented groups in our congregation. As we shape our media message, we want to ensure the message is inclusive of them and makes clear they are welcome too. To achieve that, we must listen carefully to what drew them to LJC, what has kept them here, and how we can convey welcome to others who are like them.
- We've followed the same strategy with other underrepresented groups in the past. Sixteen years ago, when we had way too few women, we got our women together and listened carefully what we needed to do to better welcome women. It worked. We did the same thing 12 years ago when people of color were very underrepresented in our congregation. It's working, as God continues to grow us into a beautiful multicultural congregation!



LJC Kids! Vacation Bible School is right around the corner and it's gonna be sick! With a theme like G-Force, it may just defy gravity!

Pulling of a *stunt* like VBS takes a team of volunteers, some work behind the scenes, others directly with the kids. So get stoked for this year's VBS, June 29-July 3 from 6:30-8:30 pm. *Ready, set, go...take action* and claim your volunteer spot through today's response form!

Truck & Heavy Lifters

Someone has donated a much needed refrigerator to the church! But to get it here, we need a pick-up truck and a few heavy lifters. If you can help, please see the response form on the back page.



Service With A Blessing

LifeJourney offers Communion each Sunday in a way that many find uniquely powerful and welcoming.

Many helping hands make this experience possible—some prepare the altar and sacraments, others assist in serving, a few offer a prayer of blessing.

Anyone is welcome to participate in this service opportunity. Will you please consider being a blessing to others in this sacred moment by being part of a Communion or Altar service team?

Respond through the form for additional details.



Fitness Activity Group

Are you looking to get out more, perhaps work on a healthier lifestyle, need some friends to help keep you motivated?

All fitness levels are welcome. It does not matter if you have never worked on your fitness or you can do a 5k.

Whatever your activity level desires, come meet others as they embark on intentional journey to lead more active lives while supporting one another with their fitness goals.

Learn more details about this group by using the response form in today's bulletin.



Order of Service

Worship Theme: Journeying with Jesus

Key Verse: “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” *Matthew 5:3.*

Our Approach To God

Connection Moment

Song: *What a Mighty God*

Song: *My Redeemer Lives*

Prayer

Song: *Say the Name*

God’s Word To Us

Scripture: *Matthew 5:1-11*

Sermon: *The Key to Serenity*
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, I often make the mistake of tying my happiness to outer circumstances, so that my joy rises and falls on the whim of every circumstance. Forgive me. That’s no way to live. Awaken me to the wisdom of Jesus. Help me to cultivate a set of inner attitudes that ground my soul in a serenity that defies circumstances. 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.

Notes

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.

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.

Sunday, May 17

- 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 **Young Adult Focus Group**, Room 6.
- 12:45 pm **Deacon's Meeting**, Room 7.

Monday, May 18

- 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, May 19

- 6:30 pm **Straight Adult Focus Group**, Room 7.
- 7:00 pm **Southwest Oasis** meets at the home of Kim Dixon & Kay Champion, 6561 E. Walton Dr. North, Camby.
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
- 7:00 pm **Young Adult Oasis**, Room 6.
Info: Graham Melendez at grahammelendez06@gmail.com or Samantha Hasty-Zander at samjzander@gmail.com

Wednesday, May 20

- 6:30 pm **LJC Kids! Oasis**, Room 2.
Info: Melody Merida at (317)722-0000 x102 or PastorMelody@LifeJourneyChurch.cc
- 6:30 pm **Wednesday Night Oasis**, Room 7.
Info: Melody Merida at (317)722-0000 x102 or PastorMelody@LifeJourneyChurch.cc
- 6:30 pm **Praise Team Rehearsal**, Worship Arts Room.
- 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, May 21

- 7:00 pm **Discipleship 102 (Registration Required)**, Room 7.
- 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
- 7:00 pm **Instrumentalist Rehearsal**, Sanctuary.
- 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
- 7:00 pm **Thursday Evening Oasis**, Room 9.
Info: Larry Heavilon at larryheavilon@hotmail.com or (317)523-4543

Friday, May 22

- 6:30 pm **Women's AA Meeting**, Room 6.
- 8:00 pm **LJC Women's Softball Game**, Metro Sports Complex.

Saturday, May 23

- 8:00 am **Homeless Ministry** serves Dayspring Center.
- 3:00 pm **Indy Boyz & Girlz (Open Meeting)**, Room 6.

Coming Soon...

- May 24 **Couples Afternoon Out**
- May 26 **Newcomers Welcome Reception**

Last Week's Numbers

9:30 am Service Attendance	176
11:00 am Service Attendance	173
Oasis Attendance	110
General Offering: Last Week	\$7,965
General Offering: Weekly Average (prior 3 mo.)	\$9,709
General Offering: Weekly Budgeted Goal	\$9,955



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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
Wednesday Evening Oasis
LJC Kids! Oasis

Thursday

Garfield Park Oasis
Northside Oasis
Northwest Oasis
Thursday Evening Oasis

The Power of the Temple Keepers

Imagine walking up to a glass door of **fingerprints**. What if you then walked into a church with **debris littered** on the floor. Now imagine using the restroom and sensing an **unfresh environment**. How would this make you feel about your church home; worse yet, what kind of impression would this be for a guest?

Temple Keepers play a vital role behind the scenes at LifeJourney Church, they're not simply janitors. If you like serving behind the scenes, then Temple Keepers may be the opportunity for you. To learn more about this ministry, please use the response from.



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"



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

Service Opportunities:

- ☐ G-Force VBS ☐ Temple Keepers
☐ Communion/Altar Care Team ☐ Fitness Group
☐ Moving Fridge: ☐ I have a truck ☐ I can help lift & move

RSVP and/or More Info:

- ☐ Couples Afternoon Out
☐ Straight Focus Group Participant
☐ Newcomers Welcome Reception

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____

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

When You Visit 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.*

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) **Tuesday, May 26 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 below. Questions may be directed to: Info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc or call the church office at (317)722-0000. See you there!

Afternoon Couple's Night Out

Brown County Picnic Lunch

Next Sunday at 3:00 pm

Complete the response form to be contacted with specific details about this event.

Navajo Missions Applications Due May 31. Still time to consider this mission opportunity. Application packets are available at the InfoKiosk. Return completed to Pastor David.