

## New Worship Arts Minister Selected!

After a three-month national search, LifeJourney Church has selected its new Worship Arts Minister, Shellye Bradford! Shellye will begin September 8, after a two-week orientation period with Richard in late August.

In April, we posted our worship minister opening on several national church staffing sites, on our denominational site, with several schools of music, and within our congregation. Forty-five people requested applications. Sixteen submitted completed applications. Our Search Team conducted intensive face-to-face interviews with seven leading candidates. The Search Team consisted of Pastor Jeff, Todd Cox, and Genese Parker. Once the Search Team finished gathering information, it presented its data and recommendations to the full Board of Directors for review. The Board voted unanimously to select Shellye.

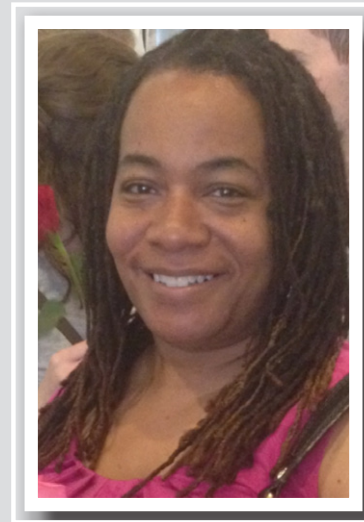
Although our search was national in scope and included a number of truly exceptional candidates, we ultimately concluded that the best person to help us grow the beauty and power of our worship was already right here among us. Many of you know and love Shellye. For the past five years, she has volunteered as a worship singer, choir member, choir leader, and gifted soloist. During our last worship minister transition, she was our interim worship leader.

But there's much more to Shellye than you may know! Before arriving at LifeJourney, she served as Worship Minister at Westlane Christian Church for 13 years. Like LifeJourney, Westlane has a deep commitment to multicultural worship. At Westlane, Shellye built two praise teams, grew their choir to 25 voices, grew a dance troupe to 30, selected and rehearsed soloists and ensembles, and produced many spiritual dramas – all while working with a congregation about half our size. When Shellye came out, the leadership of Westlane asked her to step down. That's when she, her spouse Lynnette, and their children found LifeJourney.

As a young adult, Shellye also wrote and produced several musical dramas. One of her productions, *"This Way? That Way? One Way!!"*, toured for almost two years, received national recognition, and was turned into a sound track.

Shellye is deeply committed to helping us enhance the beauty and diversity of our worship, and to growing the number of gifted worship artists who participate. She loves all styles of music, from high church, to traditional, to gospel, to contemporary, etc. You'll hear more about Shellye's vision in the weeks ahead. Meanwhile, she'll be working with Richard to create a smooth transition.

Welcome aboard Shellye! We can't wait to see what the future holds...



### Quick Facts About Shellye

- Incredible spiritual depth.
- 13 years of successful Worship Minister experience at Westlane Christian Church.
- Has written and produced a nationally-recognized spiritual musical and sound track.
- Dynamic choir leader.
- Incredible voice.
- A heart as big as the ocean!
- Married to Lynnette Pullen, and has four children.
- Shellye's tenure begins September 8, after a two-week orientation period with Richard.

### Keyboard Accompanist Posting

In our new worship era, Shellye will lead from the platform, which means we'll need a gifted pianist to accompany worship – just like Richard did when Mark was here, and Jason did when Julie was here. Later this week, we will post a part-time accompanist position on our church website. The person who fills this position must be a gifted keyboardist, proficient sight reader, and comfortable playing a broad range of musical genres – including classical, gospel, contemporary, hymns, etc. The ability to play multiple instruments is a plus. If you know someone who might fit the bill, ask them to check out our website later this week. Help us spread word far and wide!

# Order of Service

**Worship Theme:** The Life & Times of Elijah and Elisha

**Key Verse:** “Elijah said to Elisha, ‘Tell me what I may do for you before I am taken from you?’ Elisha said, ‘Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit.’” *II Kings 2:9.*

## Our Approach To God

**Call To Worship:** *Ancient of Days*

**Special Music:** *A Little More Jesus*  
*Spiritual Journey*

### Connection Moment

*Let The Church Rise*

### Prayer

**Special Music:** *Turning Around For Me*  
*Spiritual Journey*

## God’s Word To Us

**Scripture:** *II Kings 2, selected verses*

**Sermon:** *Power Living*  
Pastor Jeff Miner

### Offering our Gifts and Resources

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

### Silent Confession

**General Confession:** God, forgive me for yielding to the chaos of life. Remind me of all the power available to me – the power of loyalty, the power of ‘the ask,’ and the power of endless tomorrows. Help me to live those three power principles. 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

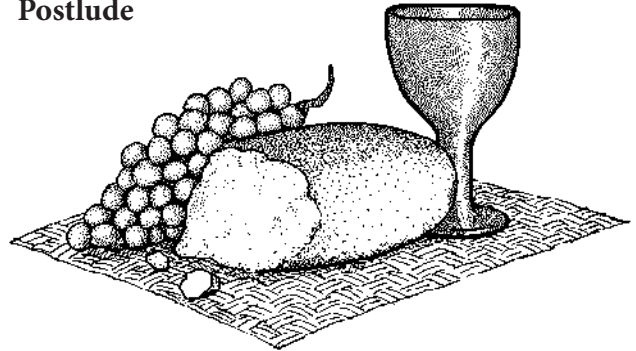
**If this is your first time with us:** You are welcome to receive Holy Communion. You’re also welcome to just observe, if you prefer. You can take Communion alone, or with friends or family.

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

## Benediction

## Postlude



## 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

**Online Calendar** – [LifeJourneyChurch.cc/Calendar](http://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](mailto:Info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc).

## Sunday, July 27

- 9:30 am **Early Worship Service.**  
 9:30 am **LJC Kids!** (Age 2-5th grade), *Main Street Station* (Rm 1-4).  
 11:00 am **Morning Worship Service.**  
 11:00 am **LJC Kids!** (Age 2-5th grade), *Main Street Station* (Rm 1-4).  
 11:30 am **The Bridge 2.0** (6-8 grade), *Main Street Station* (Rm 5).  
 11:30 am **Teen Life** (9-12 grade), *The Loft* (Rm 8).  
*Youth are released from the Sanctuary before the sermon.*  
 1:00 pm **Discipleship 102** (Registration Required), Room 6.  
 6:00 pm **Anderson Oasis** meets at 1413 Evelyn Lane, Anderson.  
*Info: Cayla Dyer at [cayladyer@hotmail.com](mailto:cayladyer@hotmail.com)*

## Monday, July 28

- 7:30 pm **AA Meeting**, Room 8.

## Tuesday, July 29

- 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](mailto:reckking@aol.com)*  
 7:00 pm **Westside Oasis** meets at the home of Jackie Harris, 4465 Cloverlake Dr., Indianapolis.  
*Info: Pastor David at [PastorDavid@LifeJourneyChurch.cc](mailto:PastorDavid@LifeJourneyChurch.cc) or Bambi Alridge at [musiqstorm42@yahoo.com](mailto:musiqstorm42@yahoo.com)*

## Wednesday, July 30

- 6:30 pm **Family Oasis**, Room 6.  
*Info: Melody Merida at (317)722-0000 x102 or [PastorMelody@LifeJourneyChurch.cc](mailto:PastorMelody@LifeJourneyChurch.cc)*  
 6:30 pm **LJC Kids! Oasis**, Room 2.  
*Info: Melody Merida at (317)722-0000 x102 or [PastorMelody@LifeJourneyChurch.cc](mailto:PastorMelody@LifeJourneyChurch.cc)*  
 7:00 pm **Eastside Oasis** meets at the home of Monica Law, 1440 N. Edmundson Ave., Indianapolis.  
*Info: Vivian Wyatt at (317)722-0000 x105 or [PastorVivian@LifeJourneyChurch.cc](mailto:PastorVivian@LifeJourneyChurch.cc)*  
 7:00 pm **Spiritual Principles for Dating (Yng Adult Oasis)**, Rm 7.  
*Info: Graham Melendez at [grahammelendez06@gmail.com](mailto:grahammelendez06@gmail.com) or Samantha Hasty-Zander at [samjzander@gmail.com](mailto:samjzander@gmail.com)*

## Thursday, July 31

- 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](mailto: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](mailto:rob1ferg@yahoo.com) or Genese Parker at [gp4justice@gmail.com](mailto:gp4justice@gmail.com)*  
 7:00 pm **Southside Oasis** meets at the home of Tex Green & Jerry Dowell, 615 E. Southern Ave., Indianapolis.  
*Info: Jared Hancock at [hancockjsh@yahoo.com](mailto:hancockjsh@yahoo.com), or Cynthia Hudson at [kindns1234@gmail.com](mailto:kindns1234@gmail.com)*  
 7:00 pm **Thursday Evening Oasis**, Room 6.  
*Info: Larry Heavilon at [larryheavilon@hotmail.com](mailto:larryheavilon@hotmail.com) or (317)523-4543*

## Friday, August 1

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

## Saturday, August 2

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

## Change of Schedule...

Cancelled **Tuesday Evening Oasis** (this week only)

## Coming Soon...

- August 3 **Sunday Lunch Club**  
 August 10 **Backpack Blessing (Kids bring your packs!)**  
 August 17 **Church Picnic at Broad Ripple Park**

## Last Week's Numbers

Early Service Attendance	111
Morning Service Attendance	235
Oasis Attendance	93
General Offering	\$10,662
General Offering: Last Month Average	\$8,781
General Offering: Average Goal	\$9,503



Believe in the ministry of LifeJourney Church? We invite you to become a regular giver. Scan the QR code or visit: [LifeJourneyChurch.cc/Donate](http://LifeJourneyChurch.cc/Donate)

**LifeJourney**  
CHURCH

2950 East 55th Place  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46220

(317) 722-0000

[www.LifeJourneyChurch.cc](http://www.LifeJourneyChurch.cc)  
[facebook.com/LifeJourneyChurch](https://facebook.com/LifeJourneyChurch)  
 email: [info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc](mailto:info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc)

a congregation of the  
Metropolitan Community Churches

**Vivian Wyatt**, Pastor

**David Zier**, Pastor

**Melody Merida**, Pastor

**Jeff Miner**, Pastor

**Spencer James**, Director of  
Communications & Technology

**Richard Ramsey**, Minister of  
Worship Arts

# 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.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Anderson Oasis		Southwest Oasis Tuesday Evening Oasis Westside Oasis	Eastside Oasis Family Oasis LJC Kids! Oasis Young Adult Oasis	Northside Oasis Northwest Oasis Southside Oasis Thursday Evening Oasis

## Blessing of the Backpacks



Since school is just around the corner, why not start the year off with a special blessing? School can be tough and we want our kids to know that we stand with them. All school aged kids are invited to bring their backpacks to either worship service on Sunday, August 10 for a special prayer of blessing for a great year of school. Join us as we bless those backpacks!

## Get Paid To Play!

If you love working with children and would like to earn a few extra dollars each month then consider joining the Parents Night Out team. Parents Night Out is a new monthly program for the families with children in our congregation. Parents with children of all ages will leave their children at LJC for a 3 hour program that consists of games, food, crafts, and fun. Caregivers will receive hourly compensation for having fun with the children of our church family. Background checks are required. For more information please complete the form below.

## Niche Pick For The Picnic

The annual church picnic is perhaps the biggest event on the church calendar and it takes several volunteers to make it a success. We are looking for folks to give of their time on Sunday, August 17 to make it happen. If you are interested in being a part of the picnic team complete the form below and check what you are interested in doing.

### My "niche pick" for the Picnic would be:

- Entertainers       Food Managers
- Prepare Picnic Tables
- Transport Materials from Church to the Park

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

## Service With A Blessing

Did you know that Communion is not only offered during the 11:00 am worship service, but also following the 9:30 am service? This additional Communion takes place in Room 7 at 10:30 am.

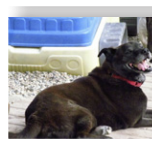
Currently there is a need for Communion servers for the 10:30 am option. Have a heart for Communion? Enjoy providing a short prayer of blessing? Let us know you are interested in serving; fill out the information form below.

## Help A Dog Get Lucky

Do you have an interest in helping animals? The Animal Ministry partners with Robin Herman's Lucky Dog Retreat Rescue, and we need help adopting rescued dogs. Featured in the photos, Adam and Riddick are two of the dogs looking for homes.



**Adam** is a one year old little black lab mix and suffers from flea dermatitis. He's on medication and getting special baths every three days. Eventually you won't be able to tell anything was wrong with him.



**Riddick** is an eight year old foster dog. He has an aggressive cancerous tumor. As part of his bucket list, he would love to hang out with someone and do fun things for as short or long as he can.

Along with adoption assistance, help is needed every Sunday from 3:00-5:00 pm at Lucky Dog Retreat Training Center, located at 5990 E. 71st Street, Suite A, Indianapolis. (Close to church!) Please let us know you are interested by filling out the information form below. You will be contacted with further information.

### I would like additional information about:

- Get Paid To Play
- Communion Server
- Animal Ministry: Adoption Info/Assistance

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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