

## New Beginnings

Today is the first Sunday for our new **Worship Arts Minister, Shellye Bradford**. Shellye brings years of successful worship minister experience, wonderful musical gifts, a passion for multicultural worship, an incredible spirit, and a deep understanding of our congregation. Let's all lift her in prayer as we enter this new era!

Today we're also welcoming our **new part-time Keyboard Accompanist, Valerie Saum**. Valerie comes to us with years of keyboard experience in organizations like Charity Church, the African Children's Choir, Watoto Childcare Ministries, and Kids Network Africa. Welcome aboard Valerie!

Our long-time, **beloved drummer, Galen Moore, is ready for a rest!** She has volunteered her incredible drumming gifts Sunday after Sunday for ten years now. We are SO GRATEFUL! We thank her for her enormous devotion and celebrate that she will be taking a Sabbath rest! Meanwhile, if you are an experienced drummer, or know someone who is, please fill out the form below so Shellye can contact you to discuss our drumming needs. This is a volunteer position.



# HELLO

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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, Sept. 23 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 front page.** Questions may be directed to: [Info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc](mailto:Info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc) or call the church office at (317)722-0000. See you there!

## Exploring What I Believe: An Overview of Christian Theology

Do you know why you believe what you believe? This course walks through some of the great questions people have about faith, God, and Christianity: How was the Cosmos created? Who is Jesus? Do we have free will? What should I believe about heaven and hell? What should I believe about the second coming?

Join Pastor Melody, **this Thursday evening at 7:00 pm**, here at the church. This ten-week course will ask tough questions. Open discussion will be encouraged. We won't pull any punches. When we're finished, you'll know a whole lot more about what you *believe* and *why*.

Register through the response form in today's bulletin.



# THEOLOGY

## New Singles Mingle Social Gathering

LePeeps, 8487 Union Chapel Rd.

This coming Saturday, September 20 at 9:00 am.

### Respond and get more info about these articles:

- I know a Drummer... Contact me!
- Newcomers Welcome Reception
- Theology Series Registration
- Singles Mingle
- Wednesday Night Childcare
- Couples Night Out
- Diversity Discussion
- Indiana AIDS Walk: Walk Around The Block

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Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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

# Order of Service

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**Worship Theme:** The Genius of the Earliest Christians

**Key Verse:** "Let all things be done for building up." *1 Corinthians 14:26.*

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## Our Approach To God

**Call To Worship**

**Connection Moment**

**Song:** *You Are Good*

**Prayer**

**Song:** *Forever Reign*

**Song:** *I Surrender All*

## God's Word To Us

**Scripture:** *1 Corinthians 14:1-33, select verses*

**Special Music:** *Goodbye Word Goodbye*  
Doody VanArsdale

**Sermon:** *Sing A New Song*  
Rev. Jeff Miner

**Offering our Gifts and Resources**

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

**Silent Confession**

**General Confession:** God, I need You. I desperately need to encounter You in the beauty of worship. And I also need my sisters and brothers in the faith. I need their insights, prayers, and songs to stretch me beyond my own narrow understandings. I open my heart to You and to the diversity of the people You have called into Your church. 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

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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

**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, September 14

- 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).  
 11:30 am **The Bridge 2.0** (6-8 grade), Main St. Station (Rm 5).  
 11:30 am **Teen Life** (9-12 grade), The Loft (Rm 8).  
*Youth are released from the Sanctuary before the sermon.*

### Monday, September 15

- 7:00 pm **Northeast Oasis** meets at the home of Burns Gutzwiler & Nathan Tuttle, 207 W. Staat St., Fortville.  
*Info: Linda Bernabie at (419)297-7576 or [lbernabie@hotmail.com](mailto:lbernabie@hotmail.com)*  
 7:30 pm **AA Meeting**, Rm 8.

### Tuesday, September 16

- 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 **Tuesday Evening Oasis**, Rm 8.  
*Info: Jim Rednour at (765)388-0256 or [jrednour@hotmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:PastorDavid@LifeJourneyChurch.cc) or Bambi Alridge at [musiqstorm42@yahoo.com](mailto:musiqstorm42@yahoo.com)*

### Wednesday, September 17

- 6:30 pm **Praise Team Practice**, 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](mailto:PastorVivian@LifeJourneyChurch.cc)*  
 7:00 pm **Young Adults 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)*  
 7:45 pm **Choir Rehearsal**, Sanctuary.

### Thursday, September 18

- 7:00 pm **Christian Theology Series**, Room TBD.  
 7:00 pm **Instrumentalist Rehearsal**, Sanctuary.  
 7:00 pm **Northside Oasis** meets at the home of Jody Bracken, 11249 Woodcreek Drive, Carmel. (Potluck this week!)  
*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 [robiferg@yahoo.com](mailto:robiferg@yahoo.com) or Genese Parker at [gp4justice@gmail.com](mailto:gp4justice@gmail.com)*

- 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](mailto:hancockjsh@yahoo.com).*  
 7:00 pm **Greenwood Oasis** meets at the home of Virgene & Tina Cline, 1049 Springwater Circle, Greenwood.  
*Info: Norma Edwards at [normaedwards1976@gmail.com](mailto:normaedwards1976@gmail.com), or Cynthia Hudson at [kindns1234@gmail.com](mailto:kindns1234@gmail.com)*  
 7:00 pm **Thursday Evening Oasis**, Rm 6.  
*Info: Larry Heavilon at [larryheavilon@hotmail.com](mailto:larryheavilon@hotmail.com) or (317)523-4543*

### Friday, September 19

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

### Saturday, September 20

- 8:00 am **Homeless Ministry** serves Dayspring Center.  
 9:00 am **Singles Mingles**, LePeeps, 8487 Union Chapel Rd.  
 11:00 am **Animal Ministry** serves Humane Society.  
 7:00 pm **Ind. Transgender Rights Advocacy Alliance**, Rm 6

### Exceptions...

None

### Coming Soon...

Sept. 23 Newcomers Welcome Reception



*With Deepest Sympathy...*

Mary Ann Bandy passed away this week. The funeral will be in Illinois. She worshiped here for many years.

### Last Week's Numbers

Early Service Attendance	155
Morning Service Attendance	245
Oasis Attendance	80
General Offering: Last Week	\$10,836
General Offering: Three-Month Average	\$8,824
General Offering: Average Goal	\$9,503



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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  
Westside Oasis

**Wednesday**  
Eastside Oasis  
Family Oasis  
LJC Kids! Oasis  
Young Adult Oasis

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

## WANTED

### Wednesday Night Childcare

The Worship Ministry and Family Oasis are looking for childcare providers here at the church 6:30-9:00 pm.

**Hourly Compensation • Age 15+ encouraged to apply. Experience with ages 6 months to 11 years is helpful.**

## Calendar Girls



*"Older women who belong to the Women's Institute in London decide to do a nude calendar to raise money for leukemia."*

Watch this hilarious drama unfold at Theatre On The Square while joining the **LifeJourney Church Couples Group** on Friday, September 26 at 7:00 pm. Reserve your seats! Discounted tickets are available online at TOTS.org.

## D I V E R S I T Y

LifeJourney Church believes and is committed to building an inclusive and welcoming community for all people.

Beginning October 1, join a five-week series discussing race and diversity hosted by the Young Adults Oasis.

**Everyone of all ages are welcome.**

Wednesdays • 7:00 pm • LifeJourney Church

## Indiana AIDS Walk

The Indiana AIDS Fund, a program of The Health Foundation of Greater Indianapolis, raises money through the annual Indiana AIDS Walk for the Direct Emergency Financial Assistance (DEFA) Fund.

Join the LifeJourney Team in this year's walk. Derin Kyle will lead the team on Saturday, September 27. Stop by the Information Kiosk to learn more about participating and/or donating to this event.



## MCC Network Gathering HERE!

Friday evening October 10 and Saturday October 11 will be the Network Gathering for the Central US Eastern Network (CUSEN) of MCC here at LifeJourney. This is a great way to meet folks from other MCCs. There are nine churches in our network from Paducah, Kentucky to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Pastor David is one of the co-leads of our Network. The network gathering will be around the topic of Blended Worship, the convergence of worship styles, old and new, traditional to contemporary. The idea behind blended worship is to blend various styles to achieve a meaningful worship experience through all forms - liturgy, responsive reading, folk songs, gospel songs, praise and worship and contemporary songs, traditional hymns, liturgical dance, drama, art, video, hand clapping and movement, etc.

Please join us as we implement the 4C's +R, Care, Connection, Communication Collaborating and Resourcing together as a network. **There will also be time for mingling and getting to know one another around the network, including fun activities.** Please consider participating in this amazing opportunity!

**Yes! Count me in for the following days:**

- Oct 10: Friday Reception. (\$10)**  
This special reception is a time to meet-and-greet and includes a dinner. Arrive at 6:00 pm.
- Oct 11: Saturday Worship and Workshops. (\$25)**
  - Breakfast      ● Workshop
  - Worship        ● Snack Break
  - Workshop      ● Workshop
  - Lunch

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Payment provided directly to Pastor David.**
- Payment provided in the offering.**

**IMPORTANT: Please write "Network Gathering" in the memo line of check.**

- Please contact me about my dietary needs.**