

Every Sunday after services, Deacons are available at the front of the sanctuary for any who would like to pray.

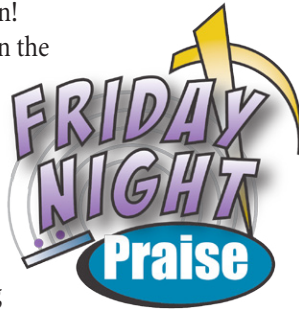
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## Friday Night Praise!

It's back! It's time to get your praise on! This Friday, October 28, we will focus on the Sacrament of Holy Communion, the holy meal where we remember Christ and the sacrifice of death and the gift of his resurrection. This meal will be offered to everyone in attendance.

There will also be a special time of prayer for healing. If there is something that has been bringing you down and you need someone of faith to pray with you, this is your service.

Mark your calendar and invite your friends and family!



**Who Stole Jesus?** Bumper sticker magnets, T-shirts, and a few yard signs are available in the social hall. See the insert for some of the response to the billboards, and join in the conversation at [LifeJourneyChurch.cc/whostolejesus](http://LifeJourneyChurch.cc/whostolejesus).

**LifeJourney Church T-Shirts** are back in stock in the bookstore, including new toddler sizes, 2T, 3T, and 4T!

**LifeJourney Press** (our publishing ministry) is looking for an addition to the team who can spearhead our marketing efforts. We need someone who is passionate about our mission and products and can focus thoughtfully on how to spread the word. Info: Lynne Kaminski at [lynnekaminski@gmail.com](mailto:lynnekaminski@gmail.com).

## Explore Membership: October 30 and November 6

Membership Class will be offered next Sunday and November 6, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Both sessions are required. Lunch will be served at each session beginning at 12:30 pm.

At LifeJourney Church, we view membership as a *sacred commitment* that should not be entered into lightly. Membership is for those who have taken time to get well acquainted with the church, feel excited about what we're doing together, and are ready to make a deep commitment to our common work and to caring for their souls.

To become familiar with LifeJourney Church before making a membership decision, we encourage (but do not require) you to first take *Discipleship 101* and *102* — two *SoulShift* classes that explore our relationship with God and church. These courses will be offered in January.

When you become a member, we ask you to commit to a **Soul Care Plan** — an *intentional, self-crafted plan for spiritual development*. An overview of the Soul Care Plan is given in membership class,

and it's covered in depth in *Discipleship 101/102*.

If you feel ready to make that kind of intentional commitment to growing your soul and to supporting the work of this church, we invite you to fill out the registration form. It's perfectly fine to attend the classes, and then make a final decision about whether you feel ready to become a member. If you have questions, please talk to any staff member or email [info@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:info@lifejourneychurch.cc).

### I want to register for Membership Class.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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## 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 this **Wednesday, October 26 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](mailto:info@lifejourneychurch.cc) or (317) 722-0000.

### Newcomer's Welcome Reception, October 26

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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# Order of Service • October 23, 2011

**Worship Theme:** Reclaiming Jesus for Ordinary People

**Key Verse:** No one puts new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins. But one puts new wine into fresh wineskins.  
*Mark 2:22*

## Our Approach To God

**Prelude:** *All Consuming Fire*

**Call to Worship**

**Praise Songs and Prayer:** *Mighty to Save, You Are Welcome*

**Baptism of** (9:30 service)

**Connection Opportunities**

## God's Word To Us

**Scripture:** Mark 2:21-28

**Anthem:** *The Morning Star Will Rise*, LifeJourney Sanctuary Choir

**Sermon:** *Rules, Rules, Rules!* by Jeff Miner

**Offering our Gifts and Resources**

## Our Communion With God

**Silent Confession**

**General Confession:** God, sometimes I have been tempted to reduce my faith to mindless rulekeeping, rather than investing myself in an unpredictable, dynamic, interactive relationship

with You. Forgive me. May I open myself to a real-time relationship with You. 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 *I Am a Friend of God*.

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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

**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).*

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 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](mailto:info@LifeJourneyChurch.cc).

### Sunday, October 23

- 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.  
Youth are released from the sanctuary before the sermon.  
1:00 pm Financial Peace University, Room 2.  
1:00 pm Heartmenders Rehearsal, sanctuary.

### Monday, October 24

- 7:00 pm Understanding the Bible Better, Room 1.  
7:30 pm AA Meeting, Room 2.

### Tuesday, October 25

- 7:00 pm Interfaith Coalition on Nondiscrimination (ICON), Room 4. Info: Jeff Miner at (317) 722-0000.  
7:00 pm Square Dancing, social hall. Info: Sandra Johnson at [rjohnson1506@comcast.net](mailto:rjohnson1506@comcast.net).  
7:00 pm **[going deeper]** Tuesday Evening Oasis, Room 2. Info: Jim Rednour at (765) 388-0256.

### Wednesday, October 26

- 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Room 1. Info: Mark Brown at [mbrown@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:mbrown@lifejourneychurch.cc) or (317) 722-0000 x 104.  
7:00 pm Newcomer's Welcome Reception, Room 2. Pastor Jeff will lead this "introduction to LifeJourney Church" evening. See page one for info and registration.

### Thursday, October 27

- 6:30 pm African American Oasis, Room 4. Info: Tina Johnson-McCrackin at (317) 679-1510.  
7:00 pm **[going deeper]** Close Encounters of the Heart Oasis, Room 6. Info: Larry Heavilon, [larryheavilon@hotmail.com](mailto:larryheavilon@hotmail.com) or (317) 523-4543.  
7:00 pm Exploring Spiritual Leadership, Room 1.  
7:00 pm Instrumentalists Rehearsal, sanctuary. Info: Mark Brown at [mbrown@lifejourneychurch.cc](mailto:mbrown@lifejourneychurch.cc) or (317) 722-0000 x 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](mailto:tommychittenden@gmail.com) or (317) 966-0284.

### Friday, October 28

- 9:00 am **[going deeper]** Friday Morning Oasis, Room 4. Info: Beulah Bragg, (317) 529-2233 or [mzbees@att.net](mailto:mzbees@att.net).  
7:00 pm Fellowship Galactica meets at David Wene and David Squire's home, 5055 East 67th Street. Info: David Wene at [davidwene@hotmail.com](mailto:davidwene@hotmail.com) or (317) 427-3728.  
7:00 pm Friday Night Praise! See page one for info.  
7:30 pm Women's AA Meeting, Room 2.

### Saturday, October 29

- 10:30 am Praise Team Practice, sanctuary.  
4:00 pm Praise Team Practice, sanctuary.

### Coming Soon

- Oct 30 Membership Classes will be offered next Sunday and November 6. More info on page one.  
Oct 30 Children's Halloween Party. Info on page four.  
Nov 6 New Teen Life Group begins. See page four for info.  
Nov 6 Young Adults Lunch Discussion. See page four for info.  
Nov 12 Singles Trivia Night. Details on page four.

### Last Week's Numbers

Early Service Attendance	99
Morning Service Attendance	201
Other Events Attendance	166
General Offering	\$12,678
General Offering: Three Month Average	\$9,280
General Offering Average Goal	\$9,554



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Mark Brown, Minister of  
Worship Arts

Vivian Wyatt, Minister of Care  
and Business Administration

David Zier, Minister of  
Outreach and Development

David Squire,  
Communications Director

## 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.*

## Are you a CPA?

From time-to-time the church needs advice about accounting practices and financial matters. It would be helpful to identify the CPAs in our congregation, so we can draw on your expertise. If you are willing to provide occasional advice, please fill out the form below.

## Office Team: Keep the gears turning

The **Office Team** is an essential part of almost everything that happens at our church. They accomplish a myriad of tasks and assist the staff with projects large and small. Tasks and hours are flexible to accommodate your skills and schedule.

**Vivian Wyatt** is the head of our Office Team. Fill out the form below if you'd like more info about this behind-the-scenes ministry.

## Love People and Food?

The **Hospitality Team** serves snacks after worship. This is a great way to meet people and welcome all to our church. Team Leader Jan Anderson has a special calling to share her love for food and her warm demeanor with our church family.

Members of this team serve once a month for a couple of hours; tasks include preparing and serving snacks and cleaning up. For info, fill out the form below or contact Jan directly at (317) 384-8741 or [aquarius19521660@yahoo.com](mailto:aquarius19521660@yahoo.com).

### I'd like more info about:

CPA assistance  Office Team  Hospitality Team

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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## Children's Halloween Party

Next Sunday we'll hold our annual **Halloween Party for children in preschool through 5th grade**. The party will be held during both morning services in Room 1. Children are welcome to wear their Halloween costume for our costume contest!

## Art Exhibition

As a way of honoring beloved congregants who have transitioned from this life to the next, we're organizing an art exhibition in celebration of the lasting impression they have left on our congregation.

If you are interested in helping to coordinate the exhibit, or in participating as an artist, please complete the form below. Contact Michelle Dartis for more info: [mdartis@att.net](mailto:mdartis@att.net).

### I want to be part of the Art Exhibit:

planning/coordinating  as an artist

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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## New Teen Life Group!

Beginning **November 6 during the 11:00 am service** the 9th through 12th graders will have their own place to talk, hang out, and share together. This group starts in the sanctuary for music and worship, and will be dismissed to their own room at the start of the sermon. They will then return for communion.

The leaders of this new group are **Tiffany Soaper and Sha-Hanna Lewis**. Tiffany graduated from Old Dominion University with a degree in Psychology and Human Services Counseling. She has an extensive background in working with youth of all ages.

Sha-Hanna has been a mentor and service advocate for many years. At Indiana University and the University of Chicago Charter School she especially enjoyed helping youth overcome challenges in and out of the classroom. Her most recent projects were through AmeriCorps at the Indianapolis Metropolitan High School.

## Singles Social Group: New Leader!

Donna Martin has taken the reins of the Singles Social Group: *"I am excited and grateful for this opportunity to lead the Singles Group. I first attended LifeJourney Church in June and I knew immediately it's where I belong. I'm looking forward to meeting all of you and I'm confident we can put together a lot of fun activities for all to enjoy."*

Our next event is a **Trivia Night** at the church on Saturday, November 12 at 7:00 pm. Bring a snack and your favorite non-alcoholic beverage. There will be something for everyone and prizes will be awarded. Please RSVP with the form below.

### I plan to attend the Trivia Night on Nov 12.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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## Attention Young Adults

If you're 18 to 35, we want to hear from you! **Sunday November 6, following the 11:00 am service** we will host a **lunch discussion** for young adults. After our last meeting we took your suggestions to heart and are working on some changes. But we know there is so much more we could be doing to widen our welcome. We need your brain power to make that happen.

Please join us November 6 for a free pizza lunch and discussion to evaluate what we are currently doing and brainstorm what more we can do together!

### I plan to attend the Young Adult lunch.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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