

GENERAL INFORMATION

If you are a Christian, we invite you to join us in receiving the Lord's Supper. When the bread and juice are passed to you, partake at that time and then pass the trays.

Baptism and Membership

Each week we invite people to meet the pastor and other leaders after the service for prayer or more information about baptism and membership. This takes place in the middle aisle, between the upper & lower sections of the auditorium.

Cell phones

Please help us by silencing your cell phones. This will allow you to focus fully on your worship experience and allow others to do the same.

Sunday Mornings

8:15 AM - Living Creek Café open
8:30 & 10:00 AM - Worship Service
8:30 & 10:00 AM - Bible Classes (nursery through 3 years)
in the Dance Studio, to the left of the Auditorium stage
10:00 AM - Bible Classes (4 years-Pre-K) in room B111
10:00 AM - Children's Worship (grades K-4) in room B109
10:00 AM - Pre-teen Worship (grades 5-6) in room B106

For more information stop by the Welcome Center.

Offices

Monday - Friday, 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
4820 W Court Street, Monee, IL 60449
708.672.6515 Website: livingcreek.org

The Well is located at 4840 W Court Street in Monee.
(Note: this is not a mailing address.)

Personal Daily Worship

We have Bible Reading Guides and offer personal sessions on how to develop a prayer life. We want to help you develop a personal worship and prayer time. **2019 Bible Reading Guides** are available at the Welcome Center.

Small Groups

Small Groups meet in homes during the week for fellowship, care and spiritual growth. They provide a great opportunity to connect. **Want more information? Let us know on your Communication Card.**

Today's Message: Randy Roberts

Why Does the Church Exist?

We are not defined by a building, but by how we live every day!

Live an Attractive Life

"Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us" (1 Peter 2:12).

Make others Jealous - the Acts 2 community
Overcome Sin
Love Radically - even our enemies, Matthew 5:43-45
Lift up Christ

"make the teaching about God our Savior attractive"
(Titus 2:10).

Live an Overcoming Life

"His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord"
(Ephesians 3:10-11).

Are you overcome by evil, or are you overcoming evil with good? (Romans 12:21, Matthew 16:18)

Live an Encouraging Life

"to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up" (Ephesians 4:12).

The Church impacts the future, not in what it wants from people, but in what it wants for people. (Family, Marriage, Financial Security, Joy, Hope)

Live a Persuasive Life

"go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you"
(Matthew 28:19-20).



Our mission is to help people follow Jesus.

Welcome to Living Creek!

If this is your first time with us, please visit the Welcome Center to receive a gift and general information.

Please fill out the enclosed Communication Card to share any contact information, praises or prayer requests, and place it in the offering bag during the service.

Message:



Why Does the Church Exist?

January 6, 2019

TODAY

Giving Envelopes are available at a table in the foyer.

2019 Bible Reading Guides are available at the Welcome Center.



There are a few of the Christmas DVDs remaining at the Welcome Center. The **special video** is also available online at <https://vimeo.com/307367176> and on our website.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES



Ushers needed! If anyone is interested in serving as an usher (male or female), please contact Bob Rossi at 708.712.5586 or r481@aol.com.

Open Access has 3 opportunities to serve the community with clothing. **Living Creek** serves on the **2nd Saturday** at St. Irenaeus Parish, 78 Cherry ST, Park Forest. The Closets are open from **9-11 AM**. Please come earlier to set up. Contact Pat Dabis at patdabis@sbcglobal.net or at 708.205.8768 with questions or for information about where to serve on other Saturdays.

CHILDREN



The Wave resumes on **January 9, 6:15-7:30 PM**. If you would like to find out more, contact Mickey at mgrubermann@livingcreek.org.

YOUTH

The Well will resume on **Sunday, January 13** from **6-8 PM**.



GREATER THINGS



The Greater Things fund balance is \$31,258.

PRAY FOR THE GRIEVING

Pray for the family of Norma Hessler, Janine Swanson's mother, who passed away on December 19. The visitation and memorial service is Friday, January 11 at Wittenberg Lutheran Village, 1200 E Luther DR in Crown Point, IN. Visitation is from 11 AM to 1 PM and the memorial service begins at 1 PM.

LOOKING AHEAD

The next **Prayer Night** is **Tuesday, January 8**, at **7 PM**. Join us for an evening of prayer at the Church Office. **Open to all**.



There will be a **Ladies' Movie Night** on **January 11, 2019**, at **7 PM** at The Well. Join us for an evening of fellowship, with a devotional by Jan Kiepora, and the movie *War Room*. Please bring a sweet or salty finger food to share, and wear comfy clothes. Drinks and paper products will be provided. **Sign up in the foyer or on your Communication Card** if you plan to attend.

A new Message Series, **Explore God Chicago**, begins on **January 13**.



Explore God Chicago is a Community Outreach Initiative led by a committee of local pastors and business and ministry leaders. We all have questions about God, faith, and purpose. Join us as we explore **The 7 Big Questions**.



On **January 27**, join us after the 10 AM Worship Service in the Rich South cafeteria for a **Soup and Salad Bar**. Donations will be accepted to help cover the cost of the Soup Bar. Please RSVP on your Communication Card with the number that will be attending, call the office at 708.672.6515, or email Donna at dmiller@livingcreek.org.

GROUPS



If you are interested in attending, hosting or leading a **Small Group**, please indicate on your Communication Card.

Join us for a **Monday Morning "Eye Opener" Men's Group**, led by Ken Chastain and Dave Dell. We meet **every other Monday** at **6:30 AM** at the Church Office. Our next meeting is **TOMORROW, January 7**. We are walking through the life of Jesus in Mark. Please contact Ken (708.912.7564 or livingcreek@outlook.com) or Dave (708.516.0814 or davedell@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please save the top row of seats in the auditorium and the parking next to the building for those with physical limitations.

Smart Phone & Tablet Users - You can follow today's message and scriptures on the Bible app **YouVersion** (LifeChurch.tv). Click on More, then the Events button. Search for an event and look for Living Creek to follow along.

Church Community Builder (CCB) helps us communicate and stay connected. It allows you to connect with others, staff and leadership. You can only get something out of it if you sign up for an account. Visit livingcreek.ccbchurch.com to get involved and stay in the know! Online giving is also available through CCB. Giving is accepted through checking account, debit/credit, one-time or repeating gifts. You can also access your own giving statement.

GROUPS (continued)



Brothers in Arms, Men Helping Men Follow Jesus, is Living Creek's Men's Ministry. Men (18+) come to The Well, 4840 W Court ST, on **Saturday, January 12** from **8-10 AM**. Hot breakfast is ready at 8 AM and fellowship is provided.

Cadets is a group for boys in 4th-8th grade where male mentors help them grow spiritually, mentally, physically, emotionally, and socially as they explore God's word and world. The group meets the **1st & 3rd Wednesday** from **September through May**. We are looking for **an adult male mentor** to serve with us in this ministry. Call Jeremy Parrish at 815.409.9298 or Keith Rauwolf at 708.897.1428 for more information or to volunteer.



Mom Time is a small group for moms. It will meet on the **2nd & 4th Wednesday** from **6:20-7:20 PM** at the Church Office, resuming on **January 9**. Please contact Kat Zimmerman with any questions at 989.513.2779 or katzimmerman@gmail.com.

Meditate on scripture as you move through stretching and strengthening exercises guided by a DVD. **Free early morning yoga stretching** with Bible principles on **Tuesday & Thursday** mornings from **6-6:45 AM** at the Church Office. Open to ladies ages 16 and up and all ability levels are welcome. If interested or have questions, call or text Becky Moses at 630.207.2866.

