

## 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**

### **Happiness in Unlikely Places**

#### **Showing Mercy**

#### **Matthew 5:7 (page 659 in the Auditorium Bible)**

Unforgiven people are unforgiving. In order to experience mercy, you must be merciful!

Mercy - to get in another's skin, see with their eyes, think with their mind, feel what they feel.

#### **To Experience Mercy:**

##### **Repent - own your stuff**

Be "poor in spirit" and able to "mourn" the consequence of your sin.

*"How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me take the speck out of your eye,' when you yourself fail to see the plank in your own eye?" (Luke 6:42).*

*"Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight" (Psalm 51:4).*

#### **Seek Forgiveness from others**

*"if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift" (Matthew 5:23-24).*

#### **Let Go of Hurts**

*"Do not repay anyone evil for evil...Do not take revenge...Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good" (Romans 12:17-21).*

Are the wounds still open and fresh or have they become scars of grace?

#### **Forgive as you have been forgiven**

*"do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you" (Ephesians 4:30-32).*

Are you able to celebrate the gift of God's mercy with others?



*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 Series:**



## **Showing Mercy**

**August 4, 2019**

## TODAY



**Operation Christmas Child** brings the good news of the Gospel & great joy through the power of a shoe box gift. **Today** we will be collecting clothing items and school supplies. Also, you may make a donation towards the shipping cost of \$9 per box, payable to LCCC. Please stop by the table in the foyer for a list & more information or contact Pat at patdabis@sbcglobal.net or 708.205.8768.

## YOUTH

### **TODAY - Beach Day - HS**

Leave from RSHS at 11:30 AM and return to The Well by 5 PM. Bring money for lunch.

### **August 5 - Feed My Starving Children - MS**

Leave The Well at 4 PM and return by 9 PM. Free.

### **August 12 - Feed My Starving Children - HS**

Leave The Well at 4 PM and return by 9 PM. Free.

### **August 25 - End of Summer Bash - MS & HS**

5-7 PM. Free.

### **September 8 - The Well Kickoff**

## CHILDREN



**Aloha Sunday** is **August 25**. Children will advance in their classes.

## SERVING OPPORTUNITIES



We all enjoy juice, coffee, and eating snacks, as we fellowship between Worship Services.

**Coffee Café** is looking for volunteers. This is a **great opportunity to serve!** Sign up on your Communication Card.

Living Creek serves with **Open Access** to serve the community with clothing 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.

## LOOKING AHEAD

The next **Prayer Night** is **Tuesday, August 6**, at **7 PM**. Join us for an evening of prayer at the Church Office. **Open to all.**



**Join us Sunday, August 11** following services (about 11:30 AM), for a time of **fellowship at Fuddruckers** in Matteson. 20% of all Living Creek meals will go to support the

Benevolence Ministry when coupon is presented. Use the coupon in the Worship Folder on August 11 at the register. This is the **ONLY** way we receive credit.



We will be collecting for **FAME Cardboard Pharmacy August 11 - September 1**. See insert for list of needs. A donation container will be in the foyer. Bill (Executive Director) & Kelly Warren will be at RSHS on August 11 for the kickoff.

**Ambassadors for Christ Ministry** will host their 9th Annual Banquet on **Saturday, August 17** from **11 AM to 3 PM** at The Doubletree in Alsip. The theme is *Teach Me Your Ways* (Proverbs 23:26). The featured speaker will be Dr. Tony Wheeler. Tickets are now \$50 and include a buffet style lunch. For questions or to register, email or call Caroloretta Tucker at caroloretta@sbcglobal.net or 708.217.4671.

In **September** we will begin the **I Love My Church** message series. If you have any home maintenance needs you aren't physically able to take care of or if you have any specific skills or abilities you would be willing to use to bless others in the Living Creek family, please indicate on your Communication Card. You may also email Donna at dmiller@livingcreek.org.

## GREATER THINGS



The Greater Things fund balance is \$59,822.

## 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 with others, staff and leadership. Visit [livingcreek.ccbchurch.com](http://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



**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, August 10** from **8-10 AM**. Hot breakfast will be ready at 8 AM, along with coffee, fellowship, and robust discussion.

**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**. For more information or to volunteer, call Jeremy Parrish at 815.409.9298 or Keith Rauwolf at 708.897.1428.

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.

