

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: Josh Rutledge

Happiness in Unlikely Places

Focused Attention

Matthew 5:8 (page 659 in the Auditorium Bible)

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God"
(Matthew 5:8).

How can we be pure in heart?

"Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god"
(Psalm 24:3-4).

We CAN'T, but the Lord CAN!

"Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me" (Psalm 51:10).

"Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool" (Isaiah 1:18).

Are you trying to do it on your own?

"Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded"
(James 4:8).

Are you close to God?

How do the pure in heart see God?

"Philip said, 'Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.' Jesus answered: 'Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?" (John 14:8-9).

"It is safe to tell the pure in heart that they shall see God, for only the pure in heart want to." – C.S. Lewis

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

Is it time for you to get pure for the first time?



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:



Focused Attention

August 11, 2019

TODAY



Join us **TODAY** 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 enclosed coupon 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 are here today for the kickoff.

YOUTH

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 - MS & HS

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 or for more information about where to serve on other Saturdays.

LOOKING AHEAD

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.



Baptism Sunday is **August 18**, following Worship Service. Join us at the Rauwolf's home, **27020 S Sylvan LN**, in **Monee**. If you're interested in **baptism**, please speak with the pastor after service or note on your Communication Card.

The next **Prayer Night** is **Tuesday, September 3**, at **7 PM**. Join us for an evening of prayer at the Church Office. **Open to all.**



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 \$60,024.

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 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, September 14** 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.

