

October 13, 2024

## Welcome to The Orchard!

We're glad you're here, and we're excited about the journey we're on together at the Orchard. Our mission is to become fully-functioning followers of Jesus who are rooted in hope and branching out to the world. We are a group of people from all sorts of backgrounds seeking to sink our lives deep into Jesus Christ, our Everlasting Hope...to experience that hope with a growing desire to express it to the world around us. Questions/Contact us: [info@orchardmchenry.org](mailto:info@orchardmchenry.org)

### This Month's Memory Verse:

"Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.'" John 8:12

### Ministry Highlight...

#### Community Outreach Ministries:

**Alden Terrace Monthly Service group:** We are a group of people who spend time along side the residents and helpers at Alden Terrace in McHenry. We visit on the *third Saturday of the month* from 9:30 to 11:00am. Time is spent: 1)Setting up and taking down our sound equipment. 2)Visiting with the residence and some of their aids. 3)Leading a time of worship. 4)Praying together and at times one on one. 5)Teaching and encouraging from the Word. To get more information or find out how you can get involved put "Alden Terrace" on the communication card OR reach out to Jeff Knoll or Luis Ardon. It is a great way to get to know some precious folks in our community.

**Giving The Good News Ministry:** Our group goes out *every Saturday at 9:30am for about two hours* going door-to-door spreading the Good News and getting information about our church into homes in our community. Randy Quill is the ministry lead. You are welcome to talk with him about this ministry and also see what other opportunities there are to spread the Good News. If interested in serving in this ministry, put "Good News Ministry" on your communication card.

**Casa de Vida Food Pantry:** Distributing food to our community. On a webinar hosted by the Northern Illinois Food Bank in June, it was announced that there would be a general shortage of food for the food pantries. At Casa de Vida food pantry the Lord literally opened the "gates of food". We are picking up food from many groceries stores on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Saturdays; also on some Monday's from the food bank in Lake Forest. Our biggest challenge is to have enough volunteers for picking up food AND for the Thursday (2-6pm) distribution to our community. At this time we are distributing food for approximately 150 families weekly, that's approx. 2,800 individuals monthly. If interested in volunteering, put "CDV Food Pantry" on your communication card.

### This Week .... At The Orchard

<b>SUNDAY - 13</b> Pastor Appreciation Adult Sunday School 8:45am Worship Service 10am Property Proposal mtg 11:45am Sermon Based Connections Group 6:30pm	<b>MONDAY - 14</b> Care Calling REAL Connections Group 7pm	<b>TUESDAY - 15</b> Tactics Connections Group 6:30pm Women's Connections Group 7pm	<b>WEDNESDAY - 16</b> Vintage Souls mtg 10:30am Chosen Connections Group 6pm OYM Meeting 6:30pm Worship Practice 7pm	<b>THURSDAY - 17</b> CDV Food Pantry REAL Connections Group 2pm Men's Connections Group 6:30pm	<b>FRIDAY - 18</b> REAL Fall Retreat>>	<b>SATURDAY - 19</b> <<REAL Fall Retreat Alden Terrace Service 10am	<b>SUNDAY - 20</b> Adult Sunday School 8:45am Worship Service 10am Church Potluck noon Sermon Based Connections Group 6:30pm
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### You Won't Want To Miss....

#### Pastor Appreciation

We will be recognizing and praying over our Pastors **today** with a time of fellowship and treats following the service & informational meeting. You are welcome to drop a card/note in the offering basket or the box on the back table by our sanctuary entrance.

#### All Church Informational Meeting

**Today** following the service: You are invited to join us in the sanctuary for a presentation by Pastor Scott and the elder board regarding a property in McHenry we are interested in purchasing. Questions please reach out to [scott@orchardmchenry.org](mailto:scott@orchardmchenry.org)

#### Church Potluck

Join us for our next great meal together next Sunday, **October 20th**, following the service. Please let us know you will be joining us by circling "P" on your communication card. After signing up, you will receive an email with a link to let us know what you will be bringing.

**Event Registration Code: P**

#### Men's Breakfast

Come join us for breakfast and some fellowship on Saturday, **October 26th**. We will meet at Green Street Café, 1219 N Green Street, McHenry, at 7am. Please sign-up by circling "M" on your communication card. Invite a friend, neighbor, co-worker. Questions? See John Helmich.

**Event Registration Code: M**

#### Baptism

If you've trusted Christ as Savior and Lord, the next step in your spiritual journey is baptism. We will have baptisms on Sunday, **October 27th** during the worship service.. Please circle "B" on your communication card if you'd like to be baptized.

**Event Registration Code: B**

#### Membership Class

Interested in learning more about The Orchard Church or connecting with Christ and His church? Then this class is for you... Getting Planted Seminar. This class will consist of two parts which will be held on Sundays, **October 27th & November 3rd**, from 8:45-9:45am. Please circle event code "G" on your communication card and we will reserve a space for you.

**Event Registration Code: G**

#### Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, **November 5th**, from 12pm-5pm: We are partnering with Meadowland again for a blood drive. We will be hosting the drive here in our building. We would love to fill all the spots available. *To sign up go to <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give>*

#### Member's Business Meeting

Sunday, **November 10th** at 11:45am: We will be holding a meeting in the sanctuary to vote on the proposed purchase of the Elm Street Property. All members are asked and encouraged to attend this meeting. Questions? Please speak to a Pastor or Elder.

### Communication Card

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We're glad you're here!

Please fill this out & place it in one of the baskets in the back of the sanctuary after the service. Thank you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Total attending today's service: \_\_\_\_\_

I have children, ages:

\_\_\_ 0-5                      \_\_\_ Elementary

\_\_\_ Jr High                \_\_\_ High School

Are you a...

\_\_\_ 1st Time Guest?      \_\_\_ 2nd Time Guest?

\_\_\_ 3rd Time Guest?     \_\_\_ Regular Attender?

How did you hear about us?

\_\_\_ Mailing                \_\_\_ Family/Friend

Friend/Family: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Website                \_\_\_ Facebook

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### EVENT REGISTRATION CODES

I would like to sign up for the following events:

(Circle the appropriate letter)

**B                      G                      M                      P**

How many adults? \_\_\_\_\_ children? \_\_\_\_\_

Community Outreach Ministry: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_