

December 15, 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

This Month's Memory Verse:

"Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me'."
John 14:6

Advent Week 3: JOY Luke 1:26-38

Ministry Highlight...

Worship Team:

The *Worship-Through-Music Ministry* at The Orchard Church leads our congregation in worship of God through music. We do this primarily by singing and playing songs that glorify and worship God during our worship services, and by providing an atmosphere that encourages and inspires others to worship God as well.

We have openings for musicians and singers as well as for audio and visual technicians. We are a welcoming and encouraging group of people who love to welcome new team members! Previous formal training is not required, but a passion for God and for serving His people is a must! This includes practicing and working on your own, as well as attending our Wednesday night rehearsals during the weeks you are scheduled to serve.

If you have interest in joining, please contact Aaron Netsell at onadime@aaronnetsell.com or (815) 529-0660.

This Week At The Orchard

SUNDAY - 15 Advent: JOY Children's Christmas Pageant Adult Sunday School 8:45am Worship Service 10am Church Potluck Noon Sermon Based Connections Group 6:30pm	MONDAY - 16 Care Calling	TUESDAY - 17 Women's Connections Group 7pm	WEDNESDAY - 18 Vintage Souls mtg 10:30am The Chosen CG 6pm Worship Practice 7pm	THURSDAY - 19 CDV Food Pantry Men's CG 6:30pm	FRIDAY - 20	SATURDAY - 21 Men's Breakfast 7am Alden Terrace Service 10:30am	SUNDAY - 22 Advent: LOVE Parent-Child Dedication Adult Sunday School 8:45am Worship Service 10am Sermon Based Connections Group 6:30pm
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You Won't Want To Miss....

Children's Christmas Pageant is today!

Men's Breakfast

Come join us for breakfast and some fellowship this Saturday, **December 21st**. 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. **2025 Reminder Cards are available. Please see John Helmich to receive one.**

Event Registration Code: M

Alden Terrace Service

This Saturday, **December 21st** at 10am: Interested in serving this senior living community? Talk to Jeff Knoll or Luis Ardon for more information on how to get involved.

Parent-Child Dedication

Next Sunday, **December 22nd**: Parent-Child Dedication is a ceremony where parents publicly declare their personal commitment to Christ and whole-hearted commitment to raising their children in the instruction of the Lord. If you are interested in being part of this dedication with your child, please circle event code "D" on your communication card.

Event Registration Code: D

Christmas Eve Service

Tuesday, **December 24th** at 4pm: Please join us for our Candlelight Christmas Eve Service. It will be a time of reflection and praise for our Savior's birth and why he came to this earth... to save us all from sin.

Connection Group

Starting Tuesday, **January 7, 2025**, 6:30-8pm: This group will be meeting here at the church for 8 weeks studying the book "*Forensic Faith*" by J. Warner Wallace. Leaders are Randy Quill and Jeff Schirmbeck. To sign up circle "F" on your communication card.

Event Registration Code: F

Celebration Banquet 2025 - Planning Team

Interested in being apart of the banquet planning team (Banquet is Sunday, **January 19th** at 5:30pm), see or contact Pastor Scott (scott@orchardmchenry.org).

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)

D F M

How many adults? _____ children? _____

Name _____