

November 30, 2025

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 **experiencing and sharing the life-changing love of Jesus**. 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:

"But the Lord is faithful.
He will establish you and guard you against the evil one."
2 Thessalonians 3:3

Ministry Highlight...

Alden Terrace Service

One Saturday a month we come together to share the love of Christ with some special friends at Alden Terrace. Alden Terrace is a nursing facility in McHenry. We spend time visiting, praying and in the word together.

This ministry is open for all ages to join in and give a hand by just being there and spending time with the residents and staff. So please consider joining us to help share the love of Christ with some sweet folks. *Our next service is Saturday, **December 20th** at 10am.*

Interested in serving or have questions regarding serving in this ministry, please reach out to Jeff Knoll at (847)561-2110 or jknoll@wecarlson.com.

This Week At The Orchard

SUNDAY - 30 Advent: Hope Adult Sunday School 8:45am REAL Connect Group 8:45am Worship Service 10am Pageant Rehearsal 12pm Sermon-based CG 6:30pm	MONDAY - 12/1 Care Calling CF Connect Group 7:30pm	TUESDAY - 12/2 Women's Connect Group 6pm	WEDNESDAY - 12/3 OYM meeting 6:30pm Worship Practice 7pm
THURSDAY - 12/4 CDV Food Pantry Men's Connect Grp 6:30pm	FRIDAY - 12/5	SATURDAY - 12/6 Unbreakable Event 3pm	SUNDAY - 12/7 Advent: Peace Communion Adult Sunday School 8:45am REAL Connect Group 8:45am Worship Service 10am Pageant Rehearsal 12pm Sermon-based CG 6:30pm

You Won't Want To Miss....

Unbreakable Marriage Event

This Saturday, **December 6th** from 3-6:30pm: Please join us as we gather to spread some cheer to the residents at Alden Terrace. We will meet to sing Christmas Carols with them and then return to church for some games, a devotion, potluck, white elephant and just time together strengthening our relationships. *Childcare will be provided so be sure to bring them along. Last day to sign up is November 30th.* Sign up using QR code.



Communion-Benevolence

Be prepared next Sunday, **December 7th** to worship and celebrate with communion. Our communion crackers and pre-packaged sets are gluten-free. If you would like to contribute to the benevolent fund that helps people in our church and in our community, a basket will be at the entrance to the sanctuary for your gift.

Church Potluck

Join us for our next great meal together on Sunday, **December 14th**, 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

REAL Women's Ministry Event

Monday, **December 15th** from 6-9pm: We would love for you to join us for our annual "Cozy Christmas Celebration & Cookie Exchange". (The cookie exchange is optional) This will be a fun time of fellowship, food, devotion, games, secret sister reveal, and ornament exchange. *This event is designed for high school age and older. Please feel free to invite friends and family. Last day to sign up is November 30th.* Sign up using QR code.



Home of the Sparrow - Giving Tree

We have an opportunity to partner with Home of the Sparrow again this year to help provide hope, opportunity and support to local families struggling with homelessness. The Giving Tree is now set up in the FMC. Please stop by and grab a tag or two. Help us bless them and make their season a little brighter. *Gifts should be returned, unwrapped to the tree by Sunday, **December 28th.***

Christmas Offering

November 23 - December 31: This year we will focus on 1) *Real Love Ministries* and 2) *Orchard on Elm projects*. Please use the Christmas Offering envelopes. Make checks out to The Orchard Church and in the memo line mark which option you are supporting. You may also give online at www.orchardmchenry.org/give.

Mark Your Calendars....

December 7th: New sermon series "Advent" starts
December 14th: Children's Christmas Pageant
December 21st at 11:45am: Members Budget Meeting
December 24th at 4pm: Christmas Eve Service
January 25, 2026 (NEW DATE) at 5:30pm: Annual Celebration Banquet

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)

P

How many adults? _____ children? _____

Name _____