

December 3, 2023

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

New City Catechism:

Is baptism with water the washing away of sin itself?

Answer: No, only the blood of Christ and the renewal of the Holy Spirit can cleanse us from sin.

This Month's Memory Verse:

"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins."

Matthew 1:21

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

OYM - Orchard Youth Ministry:

The purpose of "OYM" is to invest in our junior high and high school youth to be the hands and feet of Jesus. We do this by studying the bible, discipleship, music, missions, service activities, games, challenge courses, camp, day retreats, and fun activities.

The team is passionate about the youth growing in their walk with God. We have done a variety of activities throughout the year with the youth, which range from service activities, studying through the bible and having fun. We encourage all our junior high and high school youth to be a part of OYM.

If you have any questions – Reach out to Pastor Jeremy, Jeff Knoll, or Sara Swanson

THIS WEEK at THE ORCHARD ...

SUNDAY - 3	MONDAY - 4	TUESDAY - 5	WEDNESDAY - 6	THURSDAY - 7	FRIDAY - 8	SATURDAY - 9	SUNDAY - 10
Advent: HOPE	Care Calling		OYM 6:30pm	CDV Pantry			Advent: PEACE
Communion	REAL: Cookie Exchange 6pm		Worship Practice 7pm	Men's GG 6:30pm			Adult SS 9-9:45am
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Worship Service 10am							Members Mtg 11:45am
Pageant Practice 12pm							Pageant Practice 12:30pm

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS...

Treehouse Club

Don't forget to register your kids for the Treehouse Club before the worship service in the Family Ministry Center! All children must have a name tag when they come to class.

Jr. High (6th-8th grade) meets on the 3rd-5th Sundays of the month.

Communion-Benevolence

Be prepared **today** 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.

REAL: Cookie Exchange

Event Registration Code: R

This Monday, **December 4th** from 6-8pm the REAL team would like to invite all the ladies and any high school aged girls (accompanied by mom) to join us for our annual holiday cookie exchange at Kristen Knoll's house. Please sign up by circling "R".

Members Business Meeting

Next Sunday, **December 10th** following the service at 11:45am: We will be holding our annual Budget meeting in the sanctuary. All members are asked to attend the meeting. Questions? Please speak with one of the Pastors or Elders.

Men's Breakfast

Event Registration Code: M

Come join us for breakfast and some fellowship on Saturday, **December 16th**. We will meet at Green Street Café, 1219 N Green St., McHenry, at 7am. Please sign-up by circling "M" on your communication card. Questions? See John Helmich

Church Potluck

Event Registration Code: P

Join us for our next great meal together on Sunday, **December 17th**, 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 are bringing.

Mark Your Calendars:

Children's Christmas Pageant: Sunday, **December 17th**, during the worship service

Christmas Eve Service: Sunday, **December 24th** at 4pm

Annual Celebration Banquet: Sunday, **January 21st** at 5:30pm.

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 first hear about us?

Mailing Friend/Family

Friend/Family: _____

Website Facebook

Other: _____

EVENT REGISTRATION CODES

I would like to sign up for the following events:
(Circle the appropriate letter)

H M P R

How many adults? _____ children? _____

Name _____