

October 27, 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:

"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

SUNDAY - 27 Baptism Membership Class Part 1, 8:45am Adult Sunday School 8:45am Worship Service 10am Sermon Based Connections Group 6:30pm	MONDAY - 28 Care Calling REAL Connections Group 7pm	TUESDAY - 29 Tactics Connections Group 6:30pm Women's Connections Group 7pm	WEDNESDAY - 30 Chosen Connections Group 6pm OYM Meeting 6:30pm Worship Practice 7pm	THURSDAY - 31 CDV Food Pantry REAL Connections Group 2pm Men's Connections Group 6:30pm	FRIDAY - 11/1	SATURDAY - 11/2 OYM Event 6-8:30pm	SUNDAY - 11/3 Communion Membership Class Part 2, 8:45am Adult Sunday School 8:45am Worship Service 10am Children's Pageant Practice noon Sermon Based Connections Group 6:30pm
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You Won't Want To Miss....

Fall Back

Next Sunday, **November 3rd**, Daylight Savings Time ends. Please don't forget to move your clocks back an hour before you go to sleep this Saturday, November 2nd!

Communion-Benevolence

Be prepared next Sunday, **November 3rd** 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.

Children's Christmas Pageant Rehearsals

Starting next Sunday, **November 3rd** at noon in the sanctuary, we will begin our rehearsals for this year's pageant. *Pageant will be on Sunday, December 17th.* Questions? See Deb Banker or contact her at (847)707-0433 or debri banker@prodigy.net.

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>.*

2024 Parenting Conference

Event Registration Code: P

Saturday, **November 9th** from 9am to 2pm: To sign up to attend, please circle "P" on your communication card. Last day to register is Sunday, November 3rd. The cost is \$10 per person (\$20 per couple). There are fliers on the back table by the Family Ministry Center's doors for more information.

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)

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How many adults? _____ children? _____

Community Outreach Ministry: _____

Name: _____