

# January 4, 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](mailto:info@orchardmchenry.org)

### This Month's Memory Verse:

"And Jesus said to them,  
'Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men'."  
Mark 1:17

### Ministry Highlight...

#### Hospitality

If you are looking for a place to serve at The Orchard the Hospitality Committee would like you to consider joining us in this ministry. The primary responsibilities include setting up for communion each month and coffee service on Sunday mornings. We like to have enough members so that we can set up a schedule on a rotating basis so that you are only serving once a month. Please consider joining us in this ministry.

Interested in serving or have questions regarding serving in this ministry,  
please reach out to the church office at [info@orchardmchenry.org](mailto:info@orchardmchenry.org) or (815)385-3410.  
We will get you in contact with the Team Lead—Jeanne Swanson.

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

<b>SUNDAY - 4</b> <b>Communion</b> Adult Sunday School 8:45am Worship Service 10am Sermon-based CG 6:30pm	<b>MONDAY - 5</b> Care Calling CF Connect Grp 7:30pm	<b>TUESDAY - 6</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY - 7</b> OYM meeting 6:30pm Worship Practice 7pm
<b>THURSDAY - 8</b> CDV Food Pantry Men's Connect Grp 6:30pm	<b>FRIDAY - 9</b>	<b>SATURDAY - 10</b>	<b>SUNDAY - 11</b> Food For Thought Collection Adult Sunday School 8:45am Worship Service 10am Sermon-based CG 6:30pm

### You Won't Want To Miss....

#### Communion-Benevolence

Be prepare **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.

#### Celebration Banquet 2026 - Planning Team

Interested in being apart of the banquet planning team OR want to volunteer to serve at the banquet, *please sign up on the sheet(s) on the back table by AV booth* or contact Pastor Scott ([scott@orchardmchenry.org](mailto:scott@orchardmchenry.org)).

#### Food For Thought Food Collection

Next Sunday, **January 11th**: We will collect non-perishable food items for the MCHS Food Pantry "Food For Thought" on the 2nd Sunday of each month. *Some ideas: cereal, canned vegetables, canned fruit, pasta, sauces, peanut butter, jelly, tuna fish, healthy snacks, etc.*

#### Winter Outerwear Collection

In the **month of January** we will collect gently used coats, snowpants, boots, scarves, hats and gloves for Valley View Elementary School in McHenry. There is a great need for warm outerwear for the families that attend this school. *We will have collection bins starting next Sunday.* Questions? Talk with Pastor Scott.

#### Celebration Banquet 2026

Come celebrate all God is doing and has done at The Orchard at our annual banquet on Sunday, **January, 25th**, 5:30-8pm. *We need an accurate count, so please RSVP by **January 18th**.* Just circle "**C**" on your communication card and give the number of adults, teens, children and infants who will attend.

**Event Registration Code: C**

#### 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, **February 1st & 8th**, from 9-9:45am. Please circle event code "**M**" on your communication card and we will reserve a space for you.

**Event Registration Code: M**

#### Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, **February 3rd** 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> .*

#### Missions 2026: Informational Meeting

Sunday, **February 8th** at noon, we will meet in Room 300 for a meeting with those interested in either of our two mission trips for this year... Crum, WV is **June 6th-13th**, and Brazil is scheduled to leave on **July 5th**. We look forward to sharing these opportunities with you.

**Event Registration Code: I**

### 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)

**C I M**

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_