

September 24, 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](mailto:info@orchardmchenry.org)

**New City Catechism:** *Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through faith alone, where does this faith come from?*

**Answer:** All the gifts we receive from Christ we receive through the Holy Spirit, including faith itself.

### This Month's Memory Verse:

"Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."  
1 Kings 19:18

### 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.**

### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT .....

#### The Orchard's Janitorial Team:

We have a team of dedicated volunteers who each weekend clean our facilities in preparation of our Sunday Worship Service. We have 5 teams that take a specific weekend each month. Many of the weekly tasks include emptying trash, vacuuming, sweeping/mopping our floors, sanitizing bathrooms, cleaning the offices/classrooms, dusting, etc. We would like to expand our ministry with a team for funerals/memorial services. If interested, please mark your communication card with code "J." Deb Banker, ministry lead, will get in touch with you.

To our Janitorial Team: **Thank you** for your time & efforts in keeping our facilities clean.

Team members... Mike Dressler, Doug & Elizabeth Everhart, Jeff Schirmbeck, Scott & Laura Malecki, Christian & Tonya Prusinski, Tracy Winter, Diane Plymale, Fran Holby, and Mike & Tammy Batdorff. We appreciate each one of you!

### THIS WEEK at THE ORCHARD...

<b>SUNDAY - 24</b> Adult SS 9-9:45am Worship Service 10am	<b>MONDAY - 25</b> Care Calling	<b>TUESDAY - 26</b> Elder meeting 6pm	<b>WEDNESDAY - 27</b> OYM meeting 6:30pm Worship Practice 7pm	<b>THURSDAY - 28</b> CDV Food Pantry Men's GG 6:30pm Women's GG 7pm	<b>FRIDAY - 29</b> Marriage Retreat leave Sermon based GG 6:30pm	<b>SATURDAY - 30</b> Marriage Retreat>>>>>	<b>SUNDAY - 10/1</b> Communion Adult SS 9-9:45am Worship Service 10am Marriage Retreat return
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### YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS...

#### OYM

The 2023/2024 school year is underway. We invite all 6th-12th grade students to join us **each Wednesday** from 6:30-8:30pm in the Family Ministry Center. This school year, as a group and sometimes in smaller groups, we will study the book of Mark, enjoy each others fellowship, and have fun together. There will also be additional times to serve together and do other events. Questions? See Pastor Jeremy or Mr. Jeff.

#### Communion-Benevolence

Be prepared next Sunday, **October 1st**, 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.

#### 5K for Haiti

Saturday, **October 7th** at 9am: You can't run or walk *to* Haiti, but you can *for* Haiti! We will be hosting a 5K walk/run to support Real Love Ministries in Haiti. You may walk, run or support those who are. This will take place at Moraine Hills State Park. You may sign up at the back table in the sanctuary and get your packet for collecting donations. Questions? Contact the church office at (815)385-3410 or [info@orchardmchenry.org](mailto:info@orchardmchenry.org).

#### Fall Family Night & Great Pie Bake-Off

**Event Registration Code: F**

Join us on Saturday, **October 14th, 6:30-9:30pm**, at Royal Oak Farm, 15908 Hebron Rd, Harvard. We'll enjoy a great evening of fellowship by a toasty bonfire, roast some hot dogs, take a hayride through the orchard and stop to pick 2 apples each. The church will supply the dogs, buns, chips, condiments and paper products. Please bring your own beverages, lawn chairs, blankets, roasting sticks, and flashlights... PLUS don't forget to bring your favorite pie to share after we return from the hayride. Invite a friend. *This event is free.* Please circle event code "F" on your communication card to sign up.

#### January 1st - September 18th Church Financials

**Budgeted Need: \$215,270    Income: \$212,971**

**Difference: -\$2,299**

### 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)

**F                      J**

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_