

September 2017 TORCH

*New Adult Sunday School classes start **September 3rd**:*

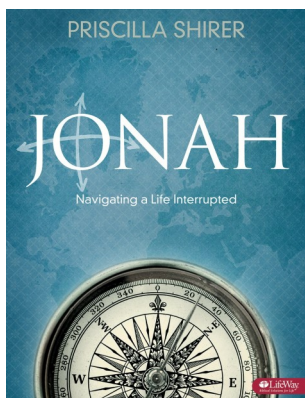
N Juenger - "The Journey" by Billy Graham - *Fellowship Hall*
(To Know Him, To Make Him Known & To Share His Love)

R & C Keeney -

Financial Peace University by Dave Ramsey - *Room A.2.1.*

L Roach - "Eschatology: A study of the end times"
(To Know Him) - *Room A.2.2.*

P Warren - To Be Decided - *Room B.1.2.*



Women's Fall Bible Study - Jonah by Priscilla Shirer

When: September 18th - October 30th

Where: Osco Community Church

Times: Monday's 9 - 11 am or 6:30 - 8:15 pm

*Sign up ends **September 3rd**.*

If you are able to help with childcare for the Monday morning sessions, please see C or A.

Men's Fall Bible Study - Forgotten God by Francis Chan

When: September 16th - October 29th

Where: Osco Community Church

Times: Saturday's 8:30 - 9:30 am

or

Sunday's 6 - 7 pm

Men, please plan on joining us for this great study!



Music Ministry Meeting - On September 10th, immediately following Sunday School, we will be having a short meeting in the Fellowship Hall for all those wanting to be involved in worship moving forward. We will be discussing some guidelines and giving out scheduling information, among other things. Please attend if you are interested, or want to learn more. Please see A or A Kayser, D Vincent, or H Hoste with any questions.

September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat-
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3 9 am Worship/Communion 10:30 am Sunday School 7 pm Jr. & Sr. High Festival of Praise Concert	Labor Day 4 Offices Closed	9 am Staff Mtg 5	6 6 pm AWANA	7	8	9 9 am PR Walk4Life
10 9 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School 11:30 am Music Meeting 6 pm Jr. & Sr. High Bible Study	11	9 am Staff Mtg 12	13 6 pm AWANA	14 6 pm Elder Meeting	15	16 8:30 am Men's Bible Study
17 9 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School 6 pm Men's Bible Study 6 pm Jr. & Sr. High Bible Study	18 9 am Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	9 am Staff Mtg 19 11 am Orion Lunches for Seniors	20 6 pm AWANA – PJ Night	21 Noon -TORCH Items Due to Office 6 pm Elder Meeting	22	23 8:30 am Men's Bible Study
24 9 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School 5 pm Prayer Gathering 6 pm Men's Bible Study 6 pm Jr. & Sr. High Bible Study	25 9 am Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	9 am Staff Mtg 26	27 6 pm AWANA	28	29	30 8:30 am Men's Bible Study

Birthdays

D Vincent	5
L Carlson	7
D Ames	8
K Franck	10
S Wittenauer	11
J Franck	12
A Wexell	13
A Maertens	14
T Vedvik	16
B Vedvik	17
C Henschel	20
B Wells	22
H Wexell	25
L Carlson	25
B Wittenau	26
G Snook	27
K Keeney	28
C Kappelman	29
A Hoste	30
S Ames	30

Anniversaries

F & D Wallace	9
T & N Case	16



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We are still in need of pies for the **Ice Cream Social** at the **Orion Fall Festival** on Friday, September 1st. OCC has been asked to provide 6 fruit pies for the event. We also need 2 people who would be interested in helping at the stand from 5 to 7 pm. If you can make pies or help serve please contact the church office or M Nilsson **by Wednesday, August 30th**.



Missionaries of the Month

Wayne & Jeanine Allen
Freedom Ministries



Freedom Ministries invites you to:
TRIVIA NIGHT

September 15, 2017

7 pm

Doors open at 6:30

\$10 per person - pre-signup preferred - walk-ins ok

Grace Evangelical Free Church

5520 Eastern Ave.

Davenport, IA 52708

To sign up call: Freedom Ministries 309-764-6881

Free popcorn – Soda and water available.

You may bring your own snacks



The Legacy Home

It is with true thankfulness of heart that I write you today. First to our Lord and King, and second; to you, our faithful Brothers and Sisters in Christ. God has placed a vision in all our hearts to come along side those in true need. To be his hands and feet. To bring hope to children that have been left with none. What an honor to be used in such a life

changing way. Here are excerpts from some of our children:

Angelo (12 years old) - My life before I came to the Legacy Home was hard. I was one of the children in the streets who collected trash or scrap. I did not have food, clothes, or even a house where I could sleep when it was cold. For me to survive on my own, I stole coconuts and sold them. The money that I would get from selling the coconuts was what I would use for buying food. A couple took me in for a short time but I stole money from them. I was taken to CSWD and they brought me to the Legacy Home.

Gian (7 years old) - My story starts when my mother sent me with her sister to take me to my father. When we were in Bicol I found out that my Aunt was going back to where my Mother lives in Manila. So I escaped from the house. I had been on the streets since that time. A government agency caught me and looked for a place to put me since no one could locate my family. They heard about the Legacy Home.

Pendatune (13 years old) - My mother left my father and I because they were constantly quarreling. Then my father died due to a motorcycle accident. It left me alone with no one to take care of me. I started going with my friends on the streets. I learned how to beg and steal money. I slept anywhere on the streets I could find. The police were able to catch me and sent me to DSWD who in turn took me to the Legacy Home.

Current letters for our missionaries can be found on our website, www.oscochurch.org.

Cambridge Community & Youth Center

Affiliate ministry of Youth For Christ/USA

facebook.com/CYCcambridgeIL

Cambridge Community and Youth Center provides a safe place where respect and relationships are encouraged, the community is served and the Kingdom of God is furthered.

Cambridge Community & Youth Center Wish List -

If you can donate or provide anything from this list it would be a great help for them in their ministry. For more information, see D Vincent.

*Paper towels

*Magic erasers

*Case of bottled water

*Toilet paper

*Small bottles of antibacterial hand soap

A huge thank you to those who donated time and elbow grease to complete our Center August to-do list! Many hands do make light work and it was fun as well. God Bless You!!

We are starting our 3rd year of ministry at the center!! To God be the Glory! Thank you to all who hold us up in prayer and financially support this ministry. Please continue to pray for open hearts and for new students to attend.



The **church offices** will be closed on **Monday, September 4th** in observance of Labor Day.

Did you miss a **Sunday** due to vacation or illness? Current copies of the sermons & bulletins are available to download from the website, www.oscochurch.org.



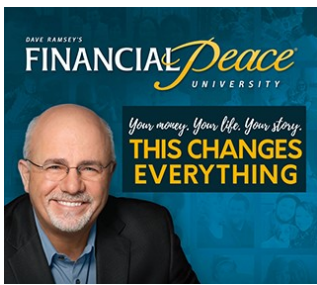
To Know Him



To Make Him Known



To Share His Love



BECOME DEBT FREE!

Financial Peace University (FPU) is a Biblically-based class by financial expert Dave Ramsey that allows *you* to take control of *your* money. R & C Keeney will host the class here at Osco Community Church during the Sunday School hour starting September 3rd.

Sign up for the class today on the church website!

FPU membership is about \$100 for class materials and access to online resources. This ***one-time*** purchase allows members to retake the class as many times as they'd like. Spouses and engaged couples can attend together with a single membership.

The church office is updating our records of Osco Church families. We want to make sure we have correct spellings of names, birthdays & anniversaries; updated phone #'s & emails.

Please stop by the Welcome Center or contact the church office to see the directory and sign off on your information. New families please fill out an information sheet to be included in the directory. After we have all the updates a new mini directory will be made available with the Annual Reports.



Congratulations to T & E Roach!
L M was born on August 22nd

She is welcomed home by siblings
I & A.

Congratulations to proud grandpa,
L Roach!



The Family of D Coon (C Fleming's mother): Would like to thank the Osco Church family for their expressions on concern and prayers offered on our behalf. We know she is resting in the arms of Jesus our Lord.
- C & T Fleming

To our OCC family,
Thank you so much for the lovely cards, words of condolences and prayer during the loss of M's brother, B. Special thanks to our Sunday School class for the beautiful plant. For those who endured the almost 2 hour wait at visitation, know that your presence was not only a blessing and an encouragement, but quite a testimony to our entire family. Thank you again and may God bless you!

- M & D Vincent & family

Save the Dates -

All-Church Potluck at the Snook's-

Sunday, October 1st at 5 pm

Join us for an All-Church Fall Potluck at the Snook's home in Cambridge on Sunday, October 1st. In case of inclement weather the potluck will be held at the church. More details to come...

We would love to have the entire church family join us for this evening of fun and fellowship!



Women's Ministry Mentoring Workshop

Gloria Grell, Speaker

Great Lakes District-EFCA- Director of Ministry to Women

Saturday, October 7th

9 am - 3 pm

Osco Community Church

Called to Mentor

Scripture calls women to a rewarding adventure: mentoring younger women. Younger women are asking women to answer that call. Yet, too often women back away from this due to barriers of fear, feelings of inadequacy, or lack of training. This workshop will address these barriers as we discuss who to mentor, the goal of mentoring, beginning a mentoring relationship, and the essential elements of mentoring.

This is for women of all ages!!

Registration is \$10 to cover basic costs: included is a soup/salad luncheon. Please RSVP to the church office, C Wells or D Wallace by Wednesday, September 27th so we can plan accordingly. Payments can be made the day of the Workshop.

Gloria Grell Bio

For more than 35 years Gloria has enjoyed mentoring younger women, teaching women God's Word, equipping women to fulfill God's purposes, and leading women's ministry teams. She earned a Masters of Divinity degree from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in 1985 and her Doctor of Ministry degree from TEDS in 2015. Gloria serves as Director of Ministry to Women with the Great Lakes District of the Evangelical Free Church of America. She is also an adjunct professor at Moody Bible Institute where she teaches "Discipling and Mentoring Women" and "Spiritual Life and Community". She and her husband, Daniel, have 3 sons, 2 daughters, 3 daughters-in-law, a son-in-law and 9 incredible grandchildren.

Church Clean Up/Project Days -

Friday, November 3rd - 3:30 to 8 pm & Saturday, November 4th - 8 am to Noon

Come out for a fall clean-up of our large church facility that we have. Please let W Snook know of anything that you may have seen that could use some attention so we can get it on a list and get any appropriate things that may be needed.



September Ushers

B Wells, W Snook,
D Nilsson, L Reddick

Service Schedule

September 3:

Nursery: J & J Mettlin (Church)
D Vincent & C Fleming (Sunday School)
2's and 3's: L Vincent & J Spranger (Church)
Ly Reddick & O Akers (Sunday School)
Greeters: A Ames & girls
Welcome Center: D & M Nilsson
No Children's Church

September 10:

Nursery: M & D Carlson (Church);
W & C Snook (Sunday School)
2's and 3's: L Vincent & A Keeney (Church);
A Ames & H Akers (Sunday School)
Greeters: D & P VanValkenburg
Welcome Center: B & C Wells

September 17:

Nursery: J Johnston & L Britt (Church);
K Janson & T Henschel (Sunday School)
2's and 3's: R Tuttle & V Snook (Church);
B Vedvik & K Johnston (Sunday School)
Greeters: E & C Allen
Welcome Center: J & N Hatfield

September 24:

Nursery: J Mettlin & OPEN (Church);
A Hagerman & OPEN (Sunday School)
2's and 3's: A Stevenson & N Janson (Church);
A White & E Kayser (Sunday School)
Greeters: R & B Vedvik
Welcome Center: A Juenger



Pregnancy Resources
WALK4LIFE

Saturday, September 9, 2017

Two locations to choose from!

Check-In 8:30 AM - Walk 9:00 AM

Register & Raise Funds:

WWW.QCPREGNANCYPARTNERS.ORG

Monthly Finance Report

(As of 7/31/2017)

Receipts for July: 25,751
Year-to-Date: \$153,138
Expenses for July: \$23,440
Year-to-Date: \$152,319

The average weekly giving needed for the 2017 budget is approximately \$5,503.

Average giving for the month of July 2017 was approximately \$5,150 (5 weeks).

Fund Balances

(As of 7/31/2017)

General/Bequest: \$58,767
Outreach: \$12,276
Building: \$61,317
Mission: \$6,596

Attendance - 4 Weeks

	<u>Service</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>
7/30/17	157	106
8/6/17	150	114
8/13/17	166	106
8/20/17	127	104
Average	150	108

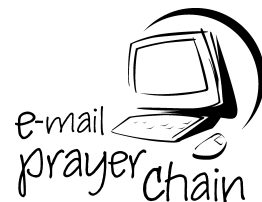


If you would like to be added to the prayer chain, please contact the church

office at 309-522-5561 or email:

office@oscochurch.org

with your name, phone number &/or email address.



Remember
TORCH Items are Due to the Church
Office by **September 21st** at **Noon**

Just a reminder that we cannot guarantee
space in the TORCH if items are sent in
after the deadline!!

Upcoming Message Topics From Pastor Paul

September 3rd - "How Does the Church All Work Together?"
Hebrews 13:17-19

September 10th - "Ministry & Multiplication"
Mark 3:7-19

September 17th - "The Unpardonable Sin"
Mark 3:20-30

September 24th - Pastor Tony
Mark 3:31-35

September Pastor's Prayer Partners -

September 3rd - A Kayser & N Juenger

September 10th - L Roach & R Bilbruck

September 17th - P Warren & B Wells

September 24th - J Hatfield & K Bowen



Sisters, the new assignments will reach you in the mail shortly!

Remember, a small gift for a special occasion is a nice touch for your Sister; however, let's keep the focus on praying for and encouraging your sister through intercession and cards/letters. Take the time to write a reminder in on each month of your calendar. I am so excited to see how God will move in our hearts this year! If you have any questions, please contact me: B Vedvik.

AWANA Kick-Off & Meal!
August 30th, 2017

For ages 3 through 6th grade
6:00 - 7:30 pm
Nursery is provided

Any questions, please contact:
awana@oscochurch.org &/or
facebook.com/OscoAwana



We are offering a class for parents during the normal club nights. A & A Kayser will be leading a study by Phillip Bethancourt and Russell Moore on "Christ-Centered Parenting". This class is open to everyone who still has kids at home, whether you have kids in AWANA or kids who are older.

Youth Group -

For grades 6th through 12th

- September 3rd** - QC Festival of Praise Concert at LeClaire Park, Davenport - 7 pm
Tickets can be purchased at the gate for \$25. We will eat before the concert.
- September 10th** - Jr. & Sr. High Bible Study - at the church - 6 to 7:30 pm
- September 17th** - Jr. & Sr. High Bible Study - at the church - 6 to 7:30 pm
- September 24th** - Jr. & Sr. High Bible Study - at the church - 6 to 7:30 pm