

# WELCOME TO THE JOURNEY



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Thanks for including The Journey in your weekend plans. Grab a cup of coffee, check your kids into our awesome kids' rooms and participate at your own level. We hope you have a great experience.

**RELATIONSHIPS, NOT RELIGION:** You can get a religious experience anywhere, but we focus on relationships. The Journey is about people just like you reaching out and connecting with Jesus so we can experience our best life. We desire to be a safe place for people to explore and experience Jesus no matter where they are in their spiritual journey. Make sure you check out the resources at the Next Steps Center and online to take your first or next steps.

SUNDAYS IN SEPTEMBER

## GAME TIME

### Life is a Team Sport

Have you ever heard the phrase, "there's no I in team."? That sounds great but maybe you feel like you're left to tackle life on your own. Maybe you feel stuck on the bench & life seems to be going nowhere. Maybe you feel like you're not good enough to get in the game.

In this new series, we are looking at what can happen when we team up with God & what that means for our relationships & church. We aren't meant to do life alone. Life is a team sport. It's time to get on the field & experience our best life. What time is it? GAME TIME!



COMING IN OCTOBER

## EXPLORE GOD

We have a great series next month called Explore God. This is a perfect time to invite someone to come check out The Journey and explore God. Pick up some invite cards at the Next Steps Center.



## DONATE

If it's your first time here, please by-pass the offering. Offering boxes are located by the auditorium doors or you can visit the Giving Kiosk to use your debit card.

**FIRST TIME** → **INTENTIONAL & AUTOMATIC** → **TITHE** → **GENEROUS**

We automate a lot of things in our lives: alarms, bills, sprinklers, tv recordings, and much more. Did you know you can set up auto-giving to continue to make investments in the mission at The Journey?

You can set up auto-giving through the mobile app or on the Donate Page online. You can also set it up through the bank. Check the website for all the details or mark your connect card to get more information.

## CONNECT CARD

You will find this card in the seat backs and you can use it to sign up for coming events, communicate any prayer requests, or ask questions.

Check the appropriate area on the card & drop it in the boxes by the auditorium doors.

If this is your first time at The Journey, please by-pass the offering/connect card boxes and take your connect card to the Next Steps Center for a small gift.

# THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

We want our Sunday experience to be an environment where all ages can explore God, be motivated to take steps in a relationship with God and be challenged to get in the game to help others experience a relationship with God. It takes over 100 volunteers each week between both our sites to provide that type of environment & experience. Thanks to all our volunteers.

## CHECK IT OUT - VOLUNTEERING

We are offering a no-risk opportunity this month for volunteering. You can sign up to observe & check out any volunteering area. It's like a test drive for a car. No commitment needed. Mark the Volunteer Sheet for what area you would like to observe and we will set up a time for you to check it out.

## JOURNEY KIDS

Gone are the lazy days of summer. Back to school, routines, and schedules. While you're filling in your family calendar, don't forget to be intentional about creating spiritual rhythms, too!

Check out the parent take-home sheet (available at the Check-in Desk) and the Journey Kids Parents Facebook page for all kinds of great ideas about how to include spiritual ideas into the natural rhythm of your family.

Use the time you have eating meals, driving in the car, and putting your kids to bed to learn about God together. It's not about adding more to your schedule, it's about using the time you already have!

## JOURNEY TEENS

**Middle School Monday Nights** will be back in October at the Pontaluna Exit site.

Be looking for fall kick off details for High School & Middle School later this month.



Journey Night Classes are designed to help us take next steps in life, in our relationships, and with God.

**Register for classes on your Connect Card, Kiosk, or [thejourneycc.com/classes](http://thejourneycc.com/classes)**

### BEGINNINGS CLASS

5 sessions, Mondays starting October 13, 6:30 - 8:00PM

**Registration Deadline:** October 12.

Are you curious about a relationship with God, new to church, or coming back to church after being away for a while? A Beginnings Class is a great place to start taking next steps and learn more about God. In a casual setting, discuss topics or questions you or others may have about church, faith, or God.

### FROM A FAN TO A FOLLOWER

6 sessions, Mondays starting October 13, 6:30 - 8:00PM

**Registration Deadline:** October 12.

If you've been in a relationship with Jesus for a while, this class will give you an opportunity to explore more of what it means to follow Jesus. It isn't just about liking Jesus or being a fan of Him. It's about following Him. This will challenge you to look at your relationship with Jesus with fresh eyes.

**NETWORKS**  
IMPACT YOUR COMMUNITY  
TAKE YOUR NEXT STEP

**BEING PART OF A TEAM WHERE GOD WORKS  
IN AND THROUGH US AS TOGETHER WE TAKE  
NEXT STEPS AND IMPACT OUR COMMUNITY.**

Network Teams will be helping struggling families and people in need. The Connection Nights are also designed to help us take next steps. Choose a Network in a region that's close to where you live.



- School yard clean-up, Cardinal Elementary, Sept. 13, 10:00AM - 12:00PM.
- Connection Night at BWW, Sept. 28, at 6:30.



- Food Truck Garage Sale, Sept. 12-14.
- Work in the food garden plot for Kids Food Basket, Sept. 17, 5:30PM - 7:00PM.
- Prepare sack suppers at Kids Food Basket, Sept. 24, at 6:30PM.
- Connection Night at The Brewhouse, Sept. 28, 6:00-7:15 pm.



- School yard clean-up, Cardinal Elementary, Sept. 13, 10:00AM - 12:00PM.
- Connection Night at Village Baker (Spring Lake), Sept. 24, 6:30PM.



- School painting project, Reeths-Puffer Intermediate, Sept. 13, 1PM - 4PM.
- Connection Night at the Barnes' House, Sept. 28, 6:30PM. (4317 Manchester, Twin Lake).

Request info on a Connect Card or go to the Next Steps Center in the lobby. Visit [thejourneycc.com/networks](http://thejourneycc.com/networks) to connect on Facebook or through your Network email.