

Sermon Notes

Contact Information

Empowered: Unleashing Your God-Given Gifts Part 1: “A Gifted Community” 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Sermon video, outline, and study guide can be accessed via the LOCC phone app and the “Beyond the Message” email sent to the entire church family the week following each sermon.

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Got energetic children with you @ Woodridge? Uncomfortable in the Worship Center? View services and other events from our Family Room off the lobby behind the Worship Center.



LIVE OAKS
COMMUNITY CHURCH

Empowered: Unleashing Your God-Given Gifts Part 1: “A Gifted Community” 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Saturday, March 1, 2025
4:30 p.m. @ Woodridge and Southern Oaks

Sunday, March 2, 2025
8:30 a.m. @ Woodridge
10:30 a.m. @ Woodridge and Southern Oaks
Sunday services also can be viewed on the jumbotron @ The Grove, our outdoor venue @ Woodridge.

Open WIFI @ Woodridge: “Live Oaks Guest” (No Password)
@ Southern Oaks: “SOC Guest” (Password: liveoaks)
@ The Grove – Tune to FM 100.5 on your radio

Our mission is to equip and encourage people to finish well for the glory of God.

“They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of His splendor.” ~ Isaiah 61:3

WELCOME

We’re Glad You’re Here

If you are new or relatively new to LOCC, or if you have a prayer request, please complete the enclosed connect card and drop it in the offering bag when it comes to you.

Greet Our New Members

Let us welcome the following new members to our growing Live Oaks Community Church family:

- Barbara Bobinyec-Riffel
- Betty McLeod
- Glenn & Ginny Bohlen
- John Merryman, Sr.
- Frank & Diane Crater, Jr.
- Nanette Roina
- Marie Fugere
- Ray & Terri Trubey
- Skip & Lori Hines
- David & Donna Wiehe
- Linda Knight
- Annette Williams
- Shirley Knight
- Kim Young

It’s Communion Weekend

Today we receive the Lord’s Supper. At LOCC we practice “open communion,” meaning that participants should be believers, but need not be members of the church. We also practice a memorial view of the Lord’s Supper, meaning that the bread and cup are symbols that remind us of the sacrifice Jesus made when He died for our sins. (Viewing online? Be sure to prepare your bread and cup ahead of time!)

Get Baptized!

Our next baptism service is scheduled for Sunday, March 30. Please talk to Pastor Bob if you would like to take this important step of faith and obedience, and to sign up for the required baptism class at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, March 21.

GROW

“Pray Through the Bible” with Dr. Don Whitney

Join us from 9-11:45 a.m. on Saturday, March 22, at Woodridge to hear from Dr. Don Whitney, author of the best-selling book “Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life.” Dr. Whitney will share key strategies to pray through the Scriptures. The registration fee of \$25 includes a light breakfast – register by March 20. Dr. Whitney also is our guest speaker for the March 22-23 services.

Next Week: Special Miniseries Part 2

Pastor James will deliver “A New Nature,” part 2 of the miniseries “Empowered: Unleashing Your God-Given Gifts.” Scripture focus: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31. We will resume our Ecclesiastes series on March 29-30.

COME

Seeds of Hope Benefit Concert This Sunday

Plan now to attend the Seeds of Hope Benefit Concert, featuring the LOCC Encore Worship Band and Choir, at 6:30 p.m. this Sunday, March 2, at Woodridge. Admission is one (or more!) canned or non-perishable food item to benefit the Wildwood Soup Kitchen and Food Pantry. We’ll also collect a free-will offering for the ministry of Seeds of Hope.

LOCC’s Annual Gathering

Join us for a family cookout to celebrate what God is doing at LOCC. Everyone from both our Woodridge and Southern Oaks Campuses will come together to enjoy the LOCC Band; connect to our ministries; make new friends; and chow down on hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, and drinks for only \$5. It all happens after the Annual Meeting, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 16, at The Grove at Woodridge. Bring your own chairs. The first 100 golf carts can park at The Grove; cars may park at Walmart or in the east parking lot. And be sure to wear your name tag – be known by your name, and know others by theirs! Please register by Friday, March 14.

Movie Nights: “The Chosen” Season 5

As the long-awaited season 5 of “The Chosen” premieres in movie theatres across the country, LOCC is your host when part 1 of this highly acclaimed series’ latest season opens at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 28, at the Epic Theatres Old Mill Playhouse in Lake Sumter Landing. LOCC also will host part 2 at 4:30 p.m. on April 4, and part 3 at 4:30 p.m. on April 11. Our special admission price is just \$25 for all three tickets, which can be purchased via the LOCC website or phone app. There’s no way to see season 5 any sooner, so don’t miss it!

GIVE

Freedom Challenge: “300 in 30”

We’re close to the first goal of the Freedom Challenge – to eliminate the \$300,000 debt on our Southern Oaks property. Will you help us get there? Every dollar given moves LOCC closer to financial freedom, allowing us to redirect resources toward ministry, outreach, and the future God is calling us to build. The “300 in 30” countdown continues – please prayerfully consider a one-time gift, an additional contribution, or a sacrificial offering. You can give online, at a kiosk, via the phone app, or with a personal check (write “Freedom Challenge” on the memo line).

CONNECT

“You Were Made for a Purpose on Purpose!”

LOCC’s Women’s Ministry presents Christian motivational speaker Lisa Allen of Proverbs 31 Ministries, 9:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m. next Saturday, March 8, at Woodridge. Special music: The Downhome Darlings. The \$35 registration fee includes lunch – please register by March 5.

MEET

Annual Congregational Meeting

All are invited to LOCC’s Annual Congregational Meeting at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 16, at Woodridge. LOCC members will vote on the ’25-’26 budget and affirm elders – then we’ll all walk out to The Grove for our Annual Spring Gathering!

Ask Questions Before the Annual Meeting

Please come to either of two open forums with your questions about LOCC’s proposed ’25-’26 budget: 3-4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4, in the Worship Center at Southern Oaks, or 6-7 p.m. on Thursday, March 6, in the Lighthouse Café at Woodridge.

SERVE

Serve on the Tech Team

You can serve on LOCC’s Tech Team. No experience necessary – training will be provided. Contact Sally Gott at sally@liveoakschurch.org for more information.

FIND

Have You Lost Something?

Ask at the Info Center about “lost and found” items at either campus. Items unclaimed by March 1 will be given to charity.

PLAN

- Pray with **Power of Prayer**, 9-10 a.m. every Wednesday in the Lighthouse Café at Woodridge.
- LOCC’s **Caregiver Support Group** meets from 12:30 to 2 p.m. every Friday in the Family Room at Woodridge.
- LOCC’s **Widowers Group** meets at 3 p.m. the third Monday of every month in the Family Room at Woodridge.
- The LOCC **Singles Group** meets 6 to 8 p.m. the second Friday of each month in the Lighthouse Café at Woodridge.
- LOCC’s **Widows Connect** hosts gatherings at 1 p.m. the 4th Friday of each month in the Lighthouse Café at Woodridge.

Register for any event online, at a kiosk in the lobby, or via the LOCC phone app.