

# Sermon Notes

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**Words Matter: The Weight of Our Worship**  
Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

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**Woodridge Campus Office Hours**

9-4 Monday-Thursday; closed on Friday

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



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**LIVE OAKS**  
COMMUNITY CHURCH

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**The Weight of Our Worship**  
Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

**Saturday, April 5, 2025**

4:30 p.m. @ Woodridge and Southern Oaks

**Sunday, April 6, 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.

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.

Live Oaks Community Church is affiliated with the Evangelical Free Church of America.

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.

*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*

### **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.

### **GATHER** **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!)

### **Thoughts and Prayers**

Our condolences to the family of Bob Mellbye, who went home to be with the Lord on February 1, 2025. A Celebration of Life is planned for 2 p.m. on Friday, April 11, at Southern Oaks.

### **Journey to the Cross: A Good Friday Experience**

The entire LOCC family is invited to a moving Good Friday Experience at 4 p.m. or 6 p.m. on Friday, April 18, at our Woodridge Campus, as we journey with Jesus from the Lord's Supper to Golgotha through music, film, and the Scriptures.

### **Churchwide Easter Sunrise Service**

Gather with us for a joyous time of worship and praise at 6:30 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 20, at the foot of the three crosses on our Southern Oaks Campus. More than 2,000 years ago, Mary Magdalene came to Jesus' tomb while it was still dark. Imagine her utter joy when she learned that the "Light of the World" had conquered death, and nothing would ever be the same again.

### **Resurrection Celebration Services**

He's ALIVE! Join us for any of six Easter worship services at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, or 8:30 or 10:30 a.m. Sunday at both of our campuses. Together we'll celebrate Christ's resurrection: the triumph of love over hate, hope over despair, light over darkness, and life over death.

### **National Day of Prayer**

Plan now to gather with us from 10 a.m. to noon on Thursday, May 1, in the Worship Center at Woodridge for LOCC's annual participation in the National Day of Prayer. The theme this year, based on Romans 15:13, is "Pour Out to the God of Hope and Be Filled." Join us in guided petition for our families; the church; business; education; the military; government; and arts/entertainment/media – uniting in prayer with other Christ followers across the country.

### **Power of Prayer**

Pray with Power of Prayer from 9-10 a.m. every Wednesday in the Lighthouse Café at Woodridge.

### **Caregiver Support Group**

LOCC's Caregiver Support Group meets from 12:30 to 2 p.m. every Friday in the Family Room at Woodridge.

### **Widowers Group**

LOCC's Widowers Group meets at 3 p.m. the third Monday of every month in the Family Room at Woodridge.

### **Singles Group**

The LOCC Singles Group meets 6 to 8 p.m. the second Friday of each month in the Lighthouse Café at Woodridge.

### **Widows Connect**

LOCC's Widows Connect hosts gatherings at 1 p.m. the 4th Friday of each month in the Lighthouse Café at Woodridge.

### **Pick Up a Car Magnet**

Did you know that some of our church family first learned of Live Oaks Community Church because they spotted one of our LOCC car magnets on someone's car or golf cart? Pick one up after the service at either campus.

### **GROW**

#### **Sign Up for a Spring Discipleship Study**

Consult the LOCC website or phone app to find out what coed studies, women's studies, and men's studies are about to begin. Then register for the studies of your choice. Enrollment is limited for some of them, so sign up soon!

### **Next Week's Message**

"A Simple Gift: Contentment in God's Provision"  
Scripture focus: Ecclesiastes 5:10-20

### **Baptisms Rescheduled: April 13**

The baptisms postponed due to the threat of thunderstorms last weekend have been rescheduled for 9:45 a.m. between worship services next Sunday, April 13, at Woodridge. All are invited to come witness this important step of faith and obedience in the lives of brothers and sisters at Live Oaks. Our next baptisms are scheduled for Saturday, May 17. Please connect with Pastor Bob Page at 847.917.0551 or [pastorbob@liveoakschurch.org](mailto:pastorbob@liveoakschurch.org) if you would like to take this important step of faith and obedience.

### **GIVE**

#### **Sounds of Soul Concert**

Join us at 6:30 p.m. this Sunday, April 6, at Woodridge for an evening of music and worship featuring Urban Impact's John Gerhardt and fellow New Orleans musicians. Longtime LOCC ministry partner Urban Impact ministers to the youth of inner city New Orleans. Admission is free, but a freewill offering will be collected.



#### **Serve on a Weekend Serve Team**

Do you love people? Looking for a way to serve on our Saturday and Sunday teams? Join us at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8, in the multipurpose room at Woodridge to find out more. Scan the QR code to register. Questions: [connections@liveoakschurch.org](mailto:connections@liveoakschurch.org)

### **GO**

#### **Join the OM Ships US.GO Team**

Travel with us to Florence, S.C., April 27 - May 1, to help pack Christian books for shipment to strategic ports around the globe. These books draw thousands to hear the Gospel and experience God's love through the Operation Mobilization missionaries on board. To sign up or find out more, contact Marie Schraven at [schravencclsp@gmail.com](mailto:schravencclsp@gmail.com) or 719.640.9593.

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