

Sermon Notes

Contact Information



LIVE OAKS
COMMUNITY CHURCH

**The Wisdom of Sorrow:
Lessons Learned in Life's Valleys**
Ecclesiastes 7:1-4

Saturday, May 3, 2025

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

Sunday, May 4, 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.

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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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*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!

Welcome! This card is for you. Please let us know a little about yourself so that we can invite you to “Explore,” where you’ll hear from the Lead Pastor, enjoy some food together, and more. Just drop your completed card in the offering bag when it comes to you. We’re also privileged to pray with you, so please be sure to share your requests and praises.



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!)

Ladies' Luncheon: “On Butterfly Wings”

All women are invited to the Women's Ministry's Spring Ladies' Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. next Friday, May 9, at Woodridge. Guest speaker Steven Barr, Cast Member Church pastor, worship leader, and master storyteller, will share about the work God is doing on six continents. The event will conclude with a BUTTERFLY RELEASE at The Grove. Registration is \$25 – register online or with the phone app.

LOCC's Stephen Ministers Ready to Serve

Our Stephen Ministers at Live Oaks Community Church have successfully completed their extensive training and are ready to provide compassionate, one-on-one, Christ-centered care to those in our congregation and community facing life's challenges. Each Stephen Minister is thoughtfully chosen based on your specific needs, ensuring you receive the best possible support from someone uniquely suited to walk with you during difficult times. To request a Stephen Minister, please reach out to Pastor Tom Taylor at 352.913.2043 or tomtaylor@liveoakschurch.org.

Power of Prayer

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

Kingdom Quilters

Join Kingdom Quilters sewing lap quilts for residents of area care facilities, from 1 to 4 p.m. every Thursday at Southern Oaks. No experience or personal supplies necessary!

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.

Download the LOCC Phone App

Hands down, this is the best way to find out what's happening at LOCC – everything you need to know right at your fingertips. Android users, download the “Live Oaks Church” app from your Google Play Store. I-Phone users, download the “Live Oaks Church” app from your App Store. It's fun, functional, and best of all, it's free!

Need Assistance with the LOCC App or Website?

We are piloting a program to aid you between Sunday services across from the Info Center at Woodridge. **Tech savvy?** Talk to Jan Lucas (jan@liveoakschurch.org) to find out how you can be involved. We are building teams for all campuses and services.



Find Us on Facebook

Join the Live Oaks Community Church Facebook page to see what's happening at LOCC. Just scan this QR code with your phone, and you're there!



GROW

Next Week's Message

“Grateful Living: Making the Most of Today” – Scripture focus: Ecclesiastes 9:1-12

Have You Been Baptized?

Our next baptisms are scheduled for Saturday, May 17. Please connect with Pastor Bob Page at 847.917.0551 or pastorbob@liveoakschurch.org if you would like to take this important step of faith and obedience. You will receive details concerning a required baptism class when you talk to Pastor Bob.



GIVE

Donate Items for Community Serve Day



To prepare for Community Serve Day – which happens on Saturday, May 17 – we will be packing OMAD (One Meal A Day) bags and hygiene bags. Scan the QR code to order needed items through our Amazon Wish list, and the items will be delivered directly to us. Or bring your donations to the donation tables at either campus when you come for worship services next weekend. Donated items must be received by May 11.



GO

Save the Date for Community Serve Day

The LOCC Community Serve Team invites you to give of your time to community service projects in and around The Villages from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 17. There's something for everyone to do regardless of your skill level, from packing toiletry bags to light yardwork to cleaning, painting, landscaping, and more. Sign up or find out more online or via the LOCC phone app.

Breakaway Camp 2025



Invest an unforgettable day (or more!) helping to facilitate Lift Disability Network's Breakaway Camp (June 30 – July 5), a family retreat providing relaxation, recreation, and spiritual renewal for families with members who have disabilities. The camp will be held at Lake Yale Baptist Conference Center just outside of Leesburg. Pamper campers as they enjoy water activities, arts and crafts, a dance, talent show, tea party, and much more. Sign up to serve by scanning the QR code. To learn more, contact Jodi Rowe at sjorowe@aol.com or 561.386.9000.

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