

## COMING DATES TO NOTE

**10-9**

Wednesday Warriors - 8:30 am

**10-12**

New Members Class - 8:30 am to Noon

**10-13**

Soup & Prayer - 5 to 6:30 pm

**10-18**

TORCH Items due to Office - Noon

**10-20**

Ordination Service for Pastor Paul - 9 am

**11-3**

Daylight Savings Ends - *Fall Backward*

**11-17**

Women's Ministry "White Christmas"  
- 2 pm

\*\*To see more events and details, visit our  
online calendar at [oscochurch.org/calendar](http://oscochurch.org/calendar).



**Saturday, October 12<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM**

Sign up in the foyer. See Pastor Paul if you have any questions.

## SAVE THE DATE



**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**  
collection begins Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>  
& will run until Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>.

Box labels & extra shoeboxes  
will be available in the foyer.

**Reminders:** Toothpaste & candy are not accepted in  
shoeboxes. Shipping is \$10 per box.

## Soup AND Prayer

**October 13**

**5 – 6:30 PM**

Come for some soup & fellowship  
followed by a time of prayer.  
(Soup will be provided!)



## Upcoming Women's Events:

**November 17<sup>th</sup>** - Women's Outing to "White Christmas"  
musical at the Music Guild in Moline. More information  
coming about lunch & ride details as time gets closer.  
Group tickets have already been purchased, but individual  
tickets may be purchased online from the Music Guild.  
Please join us. **2:00 pm performance**

**December 8<sup>th</sup>** - Coram Deo Women's Christmas Event  
**5:00 - 8:30 pm**

**December 15<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Get Together at M's House  
**5:00 pm**

# October 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> 9 am Staff Mtg	<b>2</b> 6 pm Awana 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> 9 am Worship/Communion 10:30 am Sunday School	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 9 am Staff Mtg  6:30 pm Elder Mtg	<b>9</b> 8:30 am Wednesday Warriors  6 pm Awana 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 9 am – Noon F.A.I.T.H. Homeschool Group	<b>12</b> 8:30 am – Noon New Members Class
<b>13</b> 9 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School  5 pm Soup & Prayer	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 9 am Staff Mtg	<b>16</b> 6 pm Awana 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> 9 am – Noon F.A.I.T.H. Homeschool Group Noon -TORCH Items Due to Office	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> 9 am Worship  <b>*Paul's Ordination Service</b> 10:30 Celebration Sunday	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 9 am Staff Mtg  6:30 pm Elder Mtg	<b>23</b> 6 pm Awana 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 9 am – Noon F.A.I.T.H. Homeschool Group	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> 9 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 9 am Staff Mtg	<b>30</b> 6 pm Awana 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice	<b>31</b>		

## October Birthdays

K Lindquist	1
M Osborne	2
G White	2
C Kane	4
C Allen	5
K Janson	8
D Schmedt	8
T Fleming	9
C Osborne	9
G White	9
E Allen	10
E Downing	10
C Stropes	14
K Akers	18
E Bolt	19
K Heberer	20
M Kelley	20

## October Birthdays continued

C Bolt V	26
J Hatfield	27
L Reddick	29
K Downing	31

## October Anniversaries

J & N Hatfield	4
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Did you miss a **Sunday** due to vacation or illness?  
Recent copies of the sermons, sermon notes  
& the current bulletin is available to  
download from our website, [oscochurch.org](http://oscochurch.org).

Check out the Information Center for copies of  
**Church Around the World, Acts & Facts,**  
current **Sunday School** classes, & **Our Daily Bread.**

## FINANCE MINISTRY

If you have any questions, please contact the Finance Ministry at [financeministry@oscochurch.org](mailto:financeministry@oscochurch.org).

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE - General Fund				Fund Balances - August 2024	
	August 2024	Actual Year to Date	Budget Year to Date	General	\$58,913
Tithes & Offerings	\$16,457	\$128,322		Building	\$14,782
Expenses	\$21,168	\$143,020	\$154,705	Outreach	\$7,717
Variance	\$4,710	\$14,698		Missions	\$10,240

### Did you know there are Four Ways to give to Osco Community Church?

1. Go to our church website and click on the **GIVE** link. (No apps required)
2. Place your envelope in the offering box on Sunday morning
3. Mail checks to the church address, ATTN: Finance Team
4. Scan the QR code to the right



Attendance - 4 Weeks		
	Service	Sunday School
9/1/24	103	83
9/8/24	118	93
9/15/24	112	85
9/22/24	109	78
<b>Average</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>85</b>

**MISSIONS BUDGET**

We need \$10,223 in order to meet the 2024 budget quarterly.

In order to meet the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2024, we will need \$10,223.

**TORCH Items** are due to the Church Office by **October 18<sup>th</sup> at Noon.**

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

## CARING MINISTRY

## CELEBRATION SUNDAY

### Sunday, October 20<sup>th</sup>

Sign up at the Information Center to help provide a dessert or fruit for Celebration Sunday. Please see Katie Janson with any questions.

## BAPTISM

If anyone is interested in being baptized, or would like more information about baptism, please contact Pastor Paul. We are planning on offering a class starting soon.

## WORSHIP MINISTRY

Christmas planning is underway in earnest!! Please let Heidi or Doreen know if you are interested in participating in choir, small group ensembles or other specials.

## FACILITY MINISTRY



The **Wednesday Warriors** will be meeting on **October 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am.**

There are two goals for this group:

- 1) Spiritual replenishing of every man attending, &
- 2) Simple repair projects around the church.

For more information, please contact D Gay, D Rehn, or P Warren.



Dear OCC family,  
 Thank you to everyone who donated shoes & socks for **Shoes for Orphan Souls** in August. We ended up with 24 pairs of shoes and 43 pairs of socks!

**C Kappelman**

## ADULT MINISTRY



### Upcoming Sermons from Pastor Paul

- October 6<sup>th</sup>:** The What & Why of Baptism & Communion - 1 Corinthians 11:23-30
- October 13<sup>th</sup>:** Why Does It Matter What a Church Believes? - 1 Timothy 3:14-16
- October 20<sup>th</sup>:** Ordination Service for Pastor Paul
- October 27<sup>th</sup>:** Confidence in the Lord - Psalm 16

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

— CLASSES FOR ALL AGES —

### Sunday Mornings after Worship Services

- Age 2 – Kindergarten** – M Gay - Room C.1.3.
- 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade** – D Wallace/N Hatfield - Room C.1.7.
- 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Grade** – M Carlson/T Henschel - Room C.1.5.
- 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade** – T & K Akers - Room A.2.1.
- Book of Luke** – L Roach - Fellowship Hall
- “The Marriage You’ve Always Wanted” DVD Series** by Gary Chapman – W & C Snook - Room A.2.2.



J & L Padgett  
8630 Starry Night Terrace  
Parrish, FL 34219

### Supply needs for the Center this month:

- Individually wrapped candies (chocolate and nonchocolate options)
- Granola bars, peanut butter crackers, mini slim jims
- Frozen pizza - Jack’s works best (pepperoni & plain cheese are the favorites)
- 8 or 9 inch paper plates
- Paper or Styrofoam bowls
- New soccer ball & volleyball

## OUR ELDERS

### Elder Meeting Updates:

We began our first meeting this month by sharing prayer requests and praying for our church and community. As a part of our elder training, we also looked at the second half of 1 Timothy 6 and concluded our study together of the book. We next plan to read and discuss Budgeting for a Healthy Church by Jamie Dunlop as a part of our elder training. We also evaluated the Get to Know OCC class (which we plan to offer twice a year) and discussed details related to the September 29 worship service at Downing Daughters’ and other upcoming events (Pastor David Knudsen’s visit, Elizabeth Mativo visit, New Member class on Oct 12) as well as some shepherding matters. For our second meeting, we met with the Ministry Team Leaders and had a wonderful time sharing praises and prayer requests related to the different areas of ministry in our church. After taking time to pray for those, we also reviewed where things stand with the different church goals for the year, and began the process of talking through the budget for next year.

### Future Meeting Dates:

- October 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm
- October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm



### Cambridge Community & Youth Center

Ministry Site for Central IL YFC  
[facebook.com/CYCcambridgell](https://facebook.com/CYCcambridgell)

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.

### Please pray for the Center this month:

- \*Keep our students in prayer. Numbers are growing as well as needs.
- \*Please continue to pray that God will raise up additional volunteers who can serve at the Center.
- \*Pray for additional funds to come in.
- \*Pray for the after-Center Bible study group. God is doing amazing things!

**Thank you for faithfully praying for and supporting the Center!**

## CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY



### AWANA Christmas Store - Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>

Donations of new gifts are being accepted now for the **AWANA Christmas Store**. Gifts are needed for women, men & children of all ages. There is a large group of 3rd-6th graders so items for 9-12 years old would be helpful. See the list below if you would like to donate specific items or you can contact M or D Carlson or M Betcher. At this time we are requesting no "gently used" items be donated. Wrapping paper, tags, & tape are also needed. Donations for the store can be dropped off in the AWANA Christmas Store bin next to the AWANA closet (as you are heading to the fellowship hall) by **Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**.

#### AWANA Christmas Store Ideas



##### MEN'S ITEMS:

- Car Cleaning Supplies
- Utility Knives
- Carmex/Men's Lip Care
- Work Gloves
- Chocolate/Candy Bars
- Mixed Nuts
- Grilling Items/Utensils
- Tools

##### WOMEN'S ITEMS:

- Hand Soaps (Foaming or Gel)
- Kitchen Towels
- Kitchen Utensils
- Hand/Body Lotion
- Chocolates
- Cozy Winter Socks

##### KID'S ITEMS:

- Sports Balls - Soccer, Basketball, Football, Kickballs
- Large Bouncy Balls
- Nerf Guns
- Bags of Candy
- Hot Wheels
- Nail Polish Sets
- Lip Balm Sets
- Board Games
- Card Games
- Rubik's Cube
- Jewelry Making Kits
- Scratch Paper Art Sets
- Small Lego Sets
- Rock Art Kits
- Wood Art Kits
- Window Art Kits



*Awana gives children and youth an opportunity to know, love, and serve Jesus.*



Register here with the QR code or online at [oscochurch.org](http://oscochurch.org)!

**Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:30 pm**

Registration: \$20/child

#### Awana Clubs for ages 3 through 6th grade

*Cubbies - Ages 3 & 4*

*Sparks - K through 2nd grade*

*Truth & Training (T&T) - 3rd through 6th grade*

#### FREE Bible Study for 7th - 12th Grade

Sign up for Updates by texting @oscoAWANA to 81010

#### For more information, please contact:

[awana@oscochurch.org](mailto:awana@oscochurch.org), [facebook.com/OscoAwana](https://facebook.com/OscoAwana), or call (309) 522-5561

#### Important Dates:

**Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>** - No Awana - Thanksgiving Break

**Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Store

**Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> & Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>** - No Awana - Christmas Break

**March 26<sup>th</sup>** - No Awana - Spring Break

### OCTOBER OCC VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE DURING WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL

GROUPS	October 6 <sup>th</sup>	October 13 <sup>th</sup>	October 20 <sup>th</sup>	October 27 <sup>th</sup>
<b>Nursery 9 AM</b>	On Call	On Call	On Call	On Call
<b>2's - 4's 9 AM</b>	K Heberer B McCoy	D Carlson E Akers	R Tuttle B Janson	C Carlson T Snook
<b>Nursery 10:30 AM</b>	L Vincent K Janson	B White K Akers	Downing Family	C Snook L Snook
<b>2's - K SS CLASS</b>	M Gay S Osborne	M Gay D Carlson	M Gay J Franck	M Gay H Ott



*To Know Him*



*To Make Him Known*



*To Share His Love*

## MISSIONS MINISTRY

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers for all of the missionaries at Osco Community Church. Please continue to pray for their flexibility and creativity as they figure out how to do ministry when so much has changed around the globe and what a “new normal” looks like.



**Wayne & Jeanine Allen**  
Freedom Ministries



**Steve & Jill Horsman**  
InterAct Ministries - Alaska



**Beth Ann Nelson**  
Cru - Italy



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& Youth Center**  
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**Nick & Jennifer**  
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**Christian Community Center**  
Romania

**Keith & Louise**  
EFCA Reach Global in Asia

**Justin & Lluvia Hoste**  
One Collective - Mexico



**Dick & Terri Grady**  
One Challenge



**Scott Johnson**  
YFC International



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**Peter Grant**  
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Orphans Ministry



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