

COMING DATES TO NOTE

11-3

Daylight Savings Ends - *Fall Backward*

11-10

Soup & Prayer - 5 to 6:30 pm

11-13

Wednesday Warriors - 8:30 am

11-17

Women's Ministry "White Christmas"
- 2 pm

11-18

TORCH Items Due to Office - Noon

11-20

AWANA - D DeBeouf speaking
- 7:10 pm

11-28 & 11-29

Offices Closed - Happy Thanksgiving!

12-7

Cambridge Christmas on the Square
- 5 to 7 pm

12-8

OCC Annual Meeting - 11:30 am

**To see more events and details, visit our
online calendar at oscochurch.org/calendar.



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes collection is starting & will run until Sunday, November 24th.

Box labels & extra shoeboxes are available in the foyer.

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

Cambridge Christmas on the Square
Saturday, December 7th
5 to 7 pm

Join us as we share the joy of Jesus from OCC!
Help is needed to set up/clean up, serve cocoa,
hand out gifts or share a smile & a handshake.

Please see Doreen or Heidi to volunteer!!

Upcoming Women's Events:

November 17th - 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 8th - Coram Deo Women's Christmas Event
5:00 - 8:30 pm

December 15th - Christmas Get Together at M Gay's House
5:00 pm

Soup AND Prayer

November 10

5 – 6:30 PM

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



November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Time Change 3 9 am Worship/Communion 10:30 am Sunday School	4	5 9 am Staff Mtg	6 6 pm Awana 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice	7	8 9 am – Noon F.A.I.T.H. Homeschool Group	9
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November Birthdays

T Akers	3
B Carlson	3
B Carlson	3
E McMeekan	8
H Ott	8
C Downing	12
B Palmer	20
N Heskett	21
W Snook	21
M Vincent	28
C Fleming	30
P Henschel	30

November Anniversaries

W & S Carlson	1
T & C Fleming	18
M & D Vincent	18
C & L Snook	19
L & R Reddick	20
B & P Stoudt	23

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.

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.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE - General Fund				Fund Balances - September 2024	
	September 2024	Actual Year to Date	Budget Year to Date	General	\$58,669
Tithes & Offerings	\$16,272	\$122,594		Building	\$15,022
Expenses	\$16,522	\$159,542	\$174,143	Outreach	\$7,126
Variance	\$250	\$14,948		Missions	\$11,666

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



<i>Attendance - 5 Weeks</i>		
	<u>Service</u>	<u>Sunday School</u>
9/29/24	170	0
10/6/24	95	76
10/13/24	112	102
10/20/24	122	0
10/27/24	<u>118</u>	<u>101</u>
Average	123	93

MISSIONS BUDGET

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

In order to meet the 4th quarter of 2024, we will need \$5,525.30.

TORCH Items are due to the Church Office by **November 18th 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, November 10th

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

Baptism Class

Sunday
November 10th, 17th, & 24th

Sunday School Hour
Pastor Paul's office

WORSHIP MINISTRY

Christmas planning has begun!!
If you are interested in singing in a choir or ensemble, please let Heidi or Doreen know.

FACILITY MINISTRY



The **Wednesday Warriors** will be meeting on **November 13th 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.

ADULT MINISTRY

Upcoming Sermons from Pastor Paul

November 3rd: Guest Speaker - Pastor R Eckberg

November 10th: Worship & Warning - Psalm 95

November 17th: Longing for God - Psalm 42-43

November 24th: God Knows What He is Doing
- Psalm 138

Thank You

Dear OCC family,
Thank you so much for the outpouring of support and encouragement with my recent ordination. Thank you as well for the many kind, encouraging, and thoughtful notes and gifts you blessed us with for pastor appreciation month. We are so blessed and thankful to be here at OCC!

Pastor Paul and family

SUNDAY SCHOOL

— CLASSES FOR ALL AGES —

Sunday Mornings after Worship Services

Age 2 – Kindergarten – M Gay - Room C.1.3.

1st - 3rd Grade – D Wallace/N Hatfield - Room C.1.7.

4th & 5th Grade – M Carlson/T Henschel - Room C.1.5.

6th – 12th Grade – T & K Akers - Room A.2.1.

Book of Luke – L Roach - Room A.1.1.

“The Marriage You’ve Always Wanted” DVD Series by Gary Chapman – W & C Snook - Fellowship Hall

SAVE THE DATE

December 8th ANNUAL MEETING

Immediately following Sunday School

We will be voting on 2025 Budgets and elders (Tom Akers).

Budgets will be available at the Information Center.

OUR ELDERS

Elder Meeting Updates:

We began our meetings this month, as usual, by sharing prayer requests and praying for our church and community. We read and discussed the first three chapters of Budgeting for a Healthy Church by Jamie Dunlop as a part of our elder training. If you would also be interested in reading this book along with us, please let one of the elders know and we can get you a copy. During our meetings we also discussed the 2025 general and missionary budgets as well as other various ministry and shepherding related details.

Future Meeting Dates:

November 12th at 6:30 pm

November 26th at 6:30 pm



Pastor Henschel will be out of the office November 1st - 9th for vacation. If you need to speak to someone while he is away, please contact one of the other elders.



Cambridge Community & Youth Center

Ministry Site for Central IL YFC
facebook.com/CYCcambridgeIL

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.

Supply needs for the Center this month:

Individual packages of chips, cookies, granola bars, or peanut butter crackers
Jack's frozen pizza - pepperoni or cheese please

Please pray for the Center this month:

- *A huge thank you to whoever donated the new soccer ball and volleyball!!!! What a blessing and a timely surprise!
- *Please continue to pray that God will raise up new monthly donors.
- *Pray for our volunteers who week after week give of their time and energy to share Jesus with students.

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

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY



AWANA Christmas Store - Wednesday, December 18th

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 15th**.

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:

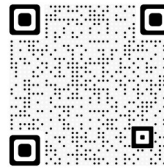
Hand Soaps (Foaming or Gel)
Kitchen Towels
Kitchen Utensils
Hand/Body Lotion
Chocolates
Cozy Winter Socks

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
Baseball Cards
Football Cards
Pokémon Cards
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
\$5 Gift Cards



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



Register here with the QR code or online at 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, [facebook.com/OscoAwana](https://www.facebook.com/OscoAwana),
or call (309) 522-5561

Important Dates:

Nov. 27th - No Awana - Thanksgiving Break

Dec. 18th - Christmas Store

Dec. 25th & Jan. 1st - No Awana - Christmas Break

March 26th - No Awana - Spring Break

All of OCC is invited to hear from Missionary Dustin DeBoef, Wednesday, November 20th at OCC Awana from 7:10-7:30 in the sanctuary.

This is a follow up to our VBS gift for their ministry at Legacy Home. He will have a 12-minute video & then share a quick update.



Orion Area Food Pantry Holiday Meal

The Orion Area Food Pantry is seeking assistance to provide families with holiday meals for **Thanksgiving & Christmas**. The Food Pantry is asking people to sign up to donate specific items to help defray the cost for a portion of a meal or the entire meal for a family. Monetary donations are also accepted.



All items are due back to the church by **Sunday, November 17th**.

Checks can be made to the Orion Area Food Pantry.

Food Collection

OCC Weather Cancellation Policy

The morning worship service will not be canceled for weather on Sundays.

What if it's bad weather?

"Come if you can" is the motto. If things are looking unsafe for travel in your area, feel free to stay home and tune in from there.

What if I'm serving?

If you are serving in any capacity you are under NO obligation to come to church if you do not feel it is safe for you to do so. Simply contact Pastor Paul with your name and the area where you were scheduled to serve so he is aware.





Daylight Savings Time ends early Sunday, Nov. 3rd. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before bed on Nov. 2nd.

NOVEMBER OCC VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE DURING WORSHIP & SUNDAY SCHOOL

GROUPS	November 3rd	November 10th	November 17th	November 24th
Nursery 9 AM	On Call	On Call	On Call	On Call
2's - 4's 9 AM	K Heberer E Downing	D Carlson E Akers	C Carlson B McCoy	R Tuttle M Osborne
Nursery 10:30 AM	H Ott K Heberer	C Allen D Vincent	J Franck K Janson	R Tuttle K Akers
2's - K SS CLASS	M Gay C Carlson	M Gay H Ott	M Gay S Osborne	M Gay C Carlson



The church offices will be closed on November 28th & 29th for Thanksgiving.



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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Nick & Jennifer
Investing in Leaders in South Asia



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



Jay & Kathy Pinney
Reach Global Montreal City Team



Peter Grant
PreVision Partnership



Elizabeth Mativo
Child Arise Kenya Widows &
Orphans Ministry



Jim & Juanita
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