UPCOMING

CONNECTION POINTS

Prayer for the Lost
This evening at 5 PM in Rm. 102/103

Sunday Evening Service
This evening at 6 PM

GriefShare
Sunday, Nov. 1, 3-5 PM in Rm. 104

Men's Breakfast
Saturday, Nov. 7, 8 AM in Multipurpose Rm.

Veterans' Lunch
Sunday, Nov. 8, 12 PM in Multipurpose Rm.

Women's Go Deeper: A Study in the Psalms
Saturday, Nov. 14, 8-12:30 PM

Upcoming Baptisms
November 15

Tables of Christmas
December 4 & 5 with speaker Nicol Sponberg
Ticket sales are on Nov. 1 for Table Hostesses and Nov. 8, 15, & 22 for all guests.

CONNECTION POINT

Want more information about upcoming events? Want to sign up to serve, register for an event, give, or check in kids? It's all right there in one place! Stay connected with our new app, Church Center, for everything happening at LifePoint.

Scan QR Code or Tap the Tag in your row to download now.

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NEED PRAYER?

Prayer Chain:
Please call Diane Hawk (317-862-3924) or the church office during business hours for prayer needs within our church family.

VISITING?

Introduce yourself.
We're so glad you're here. We'd love to learn a little about you... Fill out the Welcome form by scanning the QR code.

This lets us know what ministries you might be interested in exploring.

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE:	876

FINANCIAL UPDATE:	General Fund	Mission Fund
October Giving	$121,974	$34,223
YTD Budget - September	$1,755,000	$504,400
YTD Giving - September	$1,666,244	$540,089
YTD Expenses - September	$1,612,615	$524,001

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Parables OF THE KINGDOM

LUKE 14:12-24

JYM GREGORY

OCT. 25, 2026

This Week's
MISSION FOCUS



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Katie is an assistant producer at Mission Network News, a service of OneWay Ministries. Through daily broadcast and web articles informing believers about what God is doing behind current world events, they work to encourage listeners and readers to take action to further the Great Commission. Katie conducts research, interviews ministry partners, writes scripts and articles, monitors current events, and manages the ministry's freelance team.

Prayer Requests

- Pray for creativity, zeal, and wisdom for the MNN team as they meet daily deadlines.
- Pray for wisdom in juggling work, church involvement, and investment in friendships this fall.

PARABLES OF THE KINGDOM

The Urgency of the Gospel
Luke 14:12-24
October 25, 2026

I. A BANQUET...AND A BANQUET

- Jesus utilizes the setting of a Sabbath meal to teach on kingdom principles (Luke 14:1).
- There is much activity at this meal that demonstrates both human depravity and decidedly non-kingdom-like qualities (Luke 14:3, 7, 11, 12, 18-20).
- The final teaching at this banquet is a parable of a banquet. All has been made ready for this great feast, but the guests of honor choose not to attend (Luke 14:16-24).

II. AN UPSIDE-DOWN KINGDOM

- In the kingdom of God, caring for the poor and marginalized and for those who are little in the eyes of the world and who cannot repay is the mark of the king's servant (Luke 14:12-14; Prov. 19:17; Eccl. 11:1-4; Isa. 58:10; Matt. 25:31-46; James 2:15-16).
- Those who exalt themselves in this kingdom are ultimately humbled. Those who are humble are exalted (Luke 14:11; James 4:10).

III. THE URGENCY OF THE KINGDOM INVITATION

- "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!" Yes! But who makes up "everyone?"
- There are many invited guests in the kingdom of God. Not everyone will enter the kingdom, even among those who are sure they are shoo-ins (Matt. 7:21-27).
- There is an urgency about this invitation. When it comes to responding to it, a bad excuse is worse than no excuse at all (Luke 12:47-48; Rom. 2:12-24).
- The invited guests are rejected in this parable, but the feast is still on. Therefore, the servants go out to the byways and compel new guests to accept the invitation (Luke 14:22-24).
- We must be found ready (Luke 12:35-40).

KNOW: The kingdom of God on the earth will become the kingdom of God and his Christ in glory. We must be ready for the consummation of all things. We must not delay salvation. We must not lose our focus. "Watch and be ready" are the keys to the kingdom.

DO: Watch. Be ready. Do not become complacent in your walk with Christ.

Suggested Readings:

The Cost of Discipleship by Dietrich Bonhoeffer (Available in the LifePoint Adult Library)

Big Thoughts for Little Thinkers: The Mission by Joey Allen (Available in the LifePoint Kids Library)

Next Week's Text: **Luke 15:1-10**