

COMING DATES TO NOTE

- 11-7**
Daylight Savings Ends - *Fall Backward*
Orphan Sunday
- 11-10**
Wednesday Warriors - 8:30 am
- 11-11**
Senior Ministries Trip
- 2 to 7:30 pm
- 11-19**
TORCH Items due to office - Noon
- 11-21**
Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes
due back to church
Prayer Meeting - 4 pm
- 11-25**
Offices Closed
- 11-26**
Offices Closed
- 12-4**
Cambridge Christmas on the Square
- 5 to 7 pm
- 12-5**
Annual Meeting - 11:40 am

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



It's time to collect
items for
**Operation Christmas
Child shoeboxes!**

**Shoeboxes are due back by
November 21st.**

Reminders: Candy & toothpaste are not accepted in
shoeboxes. Shipping is \$9 per box.

Extra shoeboxes and box labels
are available in the foyer.



You can change a child's life for just \$35 per month.
For more information, visit the Global Fingerprints table on Nov. 7th or 14th.

Orphan Sunday - Sunday, November 7th

GlobalFingerprints, the child sponsorship program of the Evangelical Free Church of America, is working to break the cycle of poverty & transform lives through child sponsorship. On November 7th, we will be highlighting GlobalFingerprints and encouraging people to sponsor a child.

November 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|--------------------------------|--|---|---|---|-----------|
| | 1 | 2 11:30 am Staff Mtg & Lunch | 3 6 pm AWANA 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 Daylight Savings Ends - Fall Back 9 am Worship/Communion 10:30 am Sunday School 5pm Youth Group | 8 | 9 9 am Staff Mtg | 10 8:30 am Wednesday Warriors 6 pm AWANA 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice | 11 2 - 7:30 pm Senior Ministry Trip | 12 | 13 |
| 14  9 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School 4 Christmas Choir practice 5 Orchestra practice 5 pm Youth Group | 15 | 16 9 am Staff Mtg 6:30 pm Elder Mtg | 17 6 pm AWANA 7:30 pm Worship Team Practice | 18 | 19 Noon -TORCH Items Due to Office 6 pm Soup Spectacular | 20 |
| 21 9 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School 4 Christmas Choir practice 4 pm Prayer Mtg 5 Orchestra practice 5 pm Youth Group | 22 | 23 9 am Staff Mtg | 24 No AWANA 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice | 25 Offices Closed | 26 Offices Closed | 27 |
| 28 9 am Worship 10:30 am Sunday School 4 Christmas Choir practice 5 Orchestra practice No Youth Group | 29 6:30 pm Elder Mtg | 30 9 am Staff Mtg | | | | |

November Birthdays

| | |
|------------|----|
| T Akers | 3 |
| B Carlson | 3 |
| B Carlson | 3 |
| A Morgan | 8 |
| H Ott | 8 |
| C Downing | 12 |
| B Spranger | 17 |
| A Juenger | 19 |
| W Snook | 21 |
| A Kayser | 23 |
| M Vincent | 28 |
| C Fleming | 30 |
| P Henschel | 30 |

November Anniversaries

| | |
|---------------|----|
| T & C Fleming | 18 |
| M & D Vincent | 18 |
| L & R Reddick | 20 |

Did you miss a **Sunday** due to vacation or illness? Recent copies of the sermons, sermon notes & current/past copies of bulletins are available to download from our website, www.oscochurch.org.

Check out the Information Center for copies of **Church Around the World, Focus on the Family, Acts & Facts, Today's Christian Living**, current **Sunday School** classes, **Our Daily Bread**, and the **Upper Room**.

FINANCE MINISTRY

If you have any questions, please contact the Finance Ministry at financeministry@oscochurch.org.

| STEWARDSHIP UPDATE - General Fund | | | | Fund Balances - September 2021 | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| | September 2021 | Actual Year to Date | Budget Year to Date | General | \$69,069 |
| Tithes & Offerings | \$13,622 | \$156,009 | | Building | \$34,867 |
| Expenses | \$19,500 | \$180,448 | \$183,417 | Outreach | \$8,828 |
| Variance | \$5,877 | \$24,439 | | Missions | \$24,629 |

Did you know there are Three 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

| Attendance - 4 Weeks | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| | <u>Service</u> | <u>Sunday School</u> |
| 10/3/21 | 98 | 75 |
| 10/10/21 | 106 | 72 |
| 10/17/21 | 111 | 71 |
| 10/24/21 | 124 | 88 |
| Average | 110 | 77 |

MISSIONS BUDGET

The average weekly giving needed for the 2021 Mission budget is approximately \$800.

As of October 24th, 2021 we have made budget for the 4th quarter.

TORCH Items are due to the Church Office by **November 19th at Noon.**

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

CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRY



AWANA Christmas Store Wednesday, December 15th

Donations of new or gently used gifts are being accepted now for the **Awana Christmas Store**. Gifts are needed for women, men & children of all ages but especially for men & children.



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

We meet on Wednesdays from 6 to 7:30 pm.

Awana Clubs (Registration \$15/Student)

Cubbies: Ages 3 & 4

Sparks: Kindergarten—2nd

T&T: 3rd—6th

FREE Bible Study for 7th—12th Grade

Sign up for Updates by texting @oscoAWANA to 81010

Any questions, please contact:

awana@oscochurch.org &/or [facebook.com/OscoAwana](https://www.facebook.com/OscoAwana)

Important Dates:

November 24th - No Awana - Thanksgiving Break

December 15th - Christmas Store

December 22nd & 29th - No Awana - Christmas Break

November 2's-4's Class Schedule during Church

November 7th: A White / V Snook

November 14th: R Tuttle / E Akers

November 21st: C Carlson / T Snook

November 28th: M or D Carlson / A Kayser

November 2's - Kindergarten SS Class Schedule

November 7th: C Carlson

November 14th: J Franck

November 21st: H Ott

November 28th: C Carlson

Youth Group - For 6th through 12th grades

We will be meeting **November 7th** at the church, and **November 14th & 21st** at the Cambridge Youth Center.

All dates are from **5 to 6:30 pm**.

Please sign up for text alerts to get the most up-to-date information.

Text @oscoyouth to this phone number: 81010

ADULT MINISTRY

Upcoming Sermons from Pastor Paul

- November 7th** - Pastor John Foss preaching
"Start Seeing Opportunities"
- John 4:1-42
- November 14th** - "Our King & Refuge" - Psalm 90
- November 21st** - "Security in God" - Psalm 61
- November 28th** - "Full Forgiveness" - Psalm 32



Pastor Henschel will be out of the office November 5th - 13th for vacation. If you need to speak to someone while he is away

Pastor Foss or one of the elders will be available.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- CLASSES FOR ALL AGES -

Sunday Mornings after Worship Services

- Age 2 – Kindergarten** – M Gay - Room C.1.3.
- 1st & 2nd Grade** – D Wallace/N Hatfield - Room C.1.7.
- 3rd – 5th Grade** – J Foss/T Henschel - Room C.1.4.
- 6th – 12th Grade** – T & K Akers - Room A.2.1.
- "Evolution vs. Creation"** – L Reddick - Room C.1.9.
- Book of Romans** – L Roach - Fellowship Hall
- "True Spirituality"** – W & C Snook - Room A.2.2.
- "Wisdom"** – P Warren - Room B.1.2.

OUR ELDERS

Elder Meeting Updates:

October 5th:

The elders met with a few of the ministry team leaders to discuss the role of a ministry team leader in the church. The elders also met privately after the meeting to discuss a few shepherding topics.

October 26th:

The elders interviewed a candidate for the role of elder. They discussed & approved a budget for 2022. They discussed some ministry opportunities through the rest of the year. As part of this discussion, outreach funds were approved for hot cocoa & books to be used at Cambridge's Christmas on the Square. Outreach funds were also approved to print and mail postcards as a follow-up to "Pray for O.O.C.A." We can look forward to hearing more about this opportunity as a church in January!

The Annual Budget Meeting is currently scheduled for December 5th after Sunday School. Please save the date on your calendar! We will have more details on the proposed budget, as well as the names of our elder candidates, in mid-November.

Future Meeting Dates:

- November 16th at 6:30 pm
- November 29th at 6:30 pm
- December 14th at 6:30 pm

CARING MINISTRY



The **Orion Area Food Pantry** is providing holiday meals for Thanksgiving & Christmas. To help provide these meals the Food Pantry is requesting monetary donations to help defray the cost for a portion of a meal or an entire holiday meal for a family. Checks (made to the **Orion Area Food Pantry**) or monetary donations may be returned to the church or sent to the food pantry.

The items listed will be offered to each family. The cost of each item is included, as well as the total meal cost. If donations exceed costs any additional funds collected will be used to purchase necessary items for the food pantry recipients during the year. Distribution of the Thanksgiving meal will be on 11/16 & the Christmas meal will be on 12/21.

Donate today to help make the holidays happy and joyous for other families in our community.

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Cost</u> |
|------------------------|----------------|
| Gravy | \$1.69 |
| Dressing | \$2.00 |
| Canned Sweet Potatoes | \$2.80 |
| Cranberry Sauce | \$1.74 |
| Evaporated Milk | \$1.44 |
| Pie Crust | \$1.15 |
| Olives | \$2.25 |
| Sweet Pickles | \$2.99 |
| Rolls | \$3.99 |
| <u>5 Lbs. Potatoes</u> | <u>\$2.54</u> |
| Total Cost | \$22.59 |

Meats will be donated by the Orion Fall Fest Committee along with other food items donated from the Orion Food Pantry.

WORSHIP MINISTRY

All Worship & Tech team members & their families are invited to a Soup Spectacular on **Friday, November 19th** at the Center starting at 6 pm. This is an evening of fellowship with food & fun. Please bring a crockpot of soup to share. Everything else is furnished! For more info, or to RSVP, please see Heidi or Doreen. Join us!!!

Christmas is coming!! Join the choir or orchestra to celebrate the birth of Jesus!!! Rehearsals begin **Sunday, November 14th**. Choir practice at 4 pm, orchestra practice at 5 pm. See C Allen, Heidi or Doreen for more info!!



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:

Styrofoam cups

Individual Fun size candy bars

Please pray for the Center this month:

**We are meeting new students at the Center. Please continue to pray for open hearts & good conversations!

**Continue to pray for our finances. Pray that God would raise up monthly partners to walk with us.



Congratulations to M & B White!
G White was born on October 2nd.
She is welcomed home by big brother G.

Congratulations to C & A Bolt V!
E Bolt was born on October 19th.
She is welcomed home by big brother C.

FACILITY MINISTRY



The **Wednesday Warriors** will be meeting on **November 10th** 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, B Dietz, D Rehn, or P Warren.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!



We have reached the
Pray for O.O.C.A. goal
of praying for 1900 of the 1900
houses and families in Osco,
Orion, Cambridge, & Andover!

Prayer Meeting

We will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, November 21st
4 pm

SAVE THE DATE

Cambridge Christmas on the Square -
Saturday, December 4th

We will be having our **Annual Meeting**
on **Sunday, December 5th** at 11:40 am
to vote on budget and elders.



To Know Him



To Make Him Known



To Share His Love

Join the Senior Ministry for a trip to the
Flower Fan-A-See Holiday Kick-Off Open House!!

Thursday, November 11th

2 to 7:30 pm

\$5 per person, which includes a dessert

A carpool will leave the church at 1 pm
for anyone needing a ride.

For more information or to sign up for the trip,
please see N Case.

MISSIONS MINISTRY

Full letters for our missionaries can be found on our website, www.oscochurch.org.

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



Peter Grant
PreVision Partnership



Beth Ann Nelson
Cru - Italy



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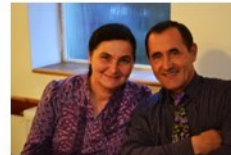
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